



# **Covid-19 response**

# **Transport related matters**

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# Emergency measures - *i*

## The Commission presented

- 16 March - [Guidelines to Member States on health-related border management measures](#) to make sure that essential goods and services remain available.
- 17 March - [Temporary Restriction on Non-Essential Travel to the EU](#) (EU Leaders agreed to temporary restriction of non-essential travel from third countries)
- 18 March - [Interpretative guidelines on EU passenger rights](#)
- 23 March [“Green lanes” initiative to ensure a continuous flow of goods across EU](#): Member States are requested to be open to all freight vehicles, whatever goods they are carrying.
- 26 March - [Guidance to ensure essential freight keeps moving by air.](#)
- 17 April - [Joint European Roadmap towards lifting coronavirus containment measures](#)
- 29 April - [Extension to the transposition period of the EU law on rail safety and interoperability](#)

# Emergency measures - *ii*

- 13 May - **Tourism and transport package**, including
  - Communication towards a phased and coordinated approach for restoring freedom of movement and lifting internal border controls — COVID-19
  - Guidelines on the progressive restoration of transport services and connectivity
  - Recommendation which aims to make travel vouchers an attractive alternative to cash reimbursement for consumers
- 25 May (Reg 2020/698) - **Extensions to the validity of certain certificates, licenses & authorisations; postponement of certain periodic checks & training**
- 27 May – **Recovery Package proposal to kick-start the European economy following the Covid-19 crisis.**
- **European Commission (DG MOVE) Portal ‘EU transport measures as response to the Covid-19’**  
([https://ec.europa.eu/transport/coronavirus-response\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/transport/coronavirus-response_en)) set up in March 2020

# Covid-19 responses

## Key Principles

- Ensure necessary safety conditions for transport (for **both passengers and transport workers**)
- Provisions should be **transparent, proportionate, non-discriminatory** and **coordinated**.
- “Real-time” **flow of data and information** on traffic/mobility situation and safety conditions
- Lifting of restrictions & Recovery: **support businesses**, but at the same time **protecting passengers’ rights**
- **International coordination**: necessary involvement of multilateral technical organisations (such as UNECE-ITC)

# Thank you



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