

# BOSNIA



## Touring Tips

The following is additional to our [general advice for motoring in Europe](#).

### Documents for driving in Bosnia-Herzegovina

A valid driving licence (you must also be 18 or over).

Your motor insurance certificate.

The V5 registration document for your own car or the hire car paperwork for a rental (UK).

### Do I need an insurance green card?

From 2nd August 2021, drivers will no longer require an insurance green card for taking their vehicles to Bosnia-Herzegovina.

### Driving in Bosnia-Herzegovina packing checklist

Aside from the documents above, there are some legally-required items you must bring with you to drive in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Unless your headlights can be adjusted, it's a legal requirement to carry headlamp converters (stickers for your headlights when driving on the right, so your lights don't dazzle motorists coming the other way).

A warning triangle is also compulsory to carry in vehicles in case of a breakdown.

You must also:

- Be 18 or over
- Make sure everyone in the car wears a seat belt at all times
- Wear a crash helmet if you're riding a motorcycle
- Register with local police within 72 hours of arrival in the country

It's also recommended to have:

Spare bulbs for your car's external lights

- A fire extinguisher
- A first-aid kit
- A reflective jacket
- You can pick up all the car kit you need from RAC Shop.

## **Rules of the road in Bosnia-Herzegovina**

Driving in Bosnia-Herzegovina doesn't differ too much from what we're used to in the UK (aside from driving on the right), but here are some general tips to make sure you're prepared.

- In Bosnia-Herzegovina you must drive on the right-hand side of the road, and overtake on the left
- Children under 5 must use an appropriate child seat
- Children under 12 can't sit in the front seat
- If you're caught committing a driving offence while driving through Bosnia-Herzegovina, you'll be given an on-the-spot fine
- Use of speed camera detectors is prohibited
- The drink-driving limit is 0.05%
- Anyone under the influence of alcohol can't sit in the front seat, even as a passenger
- You must use dipped headlights at all times
- If you're involved in an accident, you must wait until the police arrive
- On mountain roads, you have right of way going uphill
- Trams on the left have priority
- You must stop at pedestrian crossings, as soon as someone shows they want to cross

## **Speed limits in Bosnia-Herzegovina**

The speed limit is 50km/h in built-up areas, 80km/h on open roads, 100km/h on dual carriageways and 130km/h on motorways, unless the signs say otherwise

## **Other things you should know when driving in Bosnia-Herzegovina**

- Not all insurers cover driving in Bosnia-Herzegovina so check before you go – if yours doesn't, you can buy temporary cover at all border posts (except Neum)
- Petrol (leaded and unleaded), diesel and LPG are widely available
- Never go off-road in rural areas without an experienced guide – you run the risk of coming across landmines and unexploded devices
- It's a good idea to avoid driving at night, if you can, as many roads have no lighting and some of the more rural roads can be in bad shape
- There are occasional protests in major towns and cities. Although these are usually peaceful, they can cause disruption to traffic so avoid them if you can

## **In an emergency**

112 - Here's a really important bit of knowledge; you can dial 112 from anywhere in Europe and an operator will connect you to an emergency service in the country you're visiting.

Operators can answer your call in their native language, English or French.

### **Breaking down in Bosnia-Herzegovina**

RAC offers great-value, flexible RAC European breakdown cover tailored to meet your needs. We also offer comprehensive travel insurance, including cover for medical expenses, baggage, personal money and belongings.