

## International ADR controls on the roads of Silesia

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41 vehicles inspected and 15 detected violations in the transport of dangerous goods (ADR) - this is the effect of a two-day campaign on the Silesian A1 and A4 motorways. The trucks were controlled by inspectors of the Road Transport Inspectorate from Katowice, Rzeszow and Lublin with colleagues from 8 European countries as part of the ACE ADR Crossborder Enforcement expert meeting, under the auspices of the international organization Euro Contrôle Route.



International inspections at the Silesian A1 and A4 motorways were conducted by Polish ITD inspectors with colleagues from Belgium, the Czech Republic, Spain, the Netherlands, Luxembourg Germany, Switzerland and Hungary. Experts specializing in inspections of trucks transporting dangerous goods have checked, among others, whether the load is transported correctly, the vehicles are technically efficient and equipped with the necessary fire and protective equipment, and the drivers have the required permits and transport documents.

Increased inspections of trucks transporting dangerous goods in tanks and on semi-trailers in the so-called shipments were carried out on the Silesian sections of the A1 and A4 motorways from Tuesday to Wednesday (June 25-26). During the two-day operation, 41 vehicles were inspected, of which 29 belonged to domestic carriers and 12 to foreign transport companies. During the campaign, 15 transport violations were revealed (9 domestic and 6 foreign carriers).

The most serious irregularities mainly concerned the unsecured transport of cargo against the possibility of changing the location while driving. Some drivers of trucks marked with orange boards literally played with fate, carrying packages with various dangerous substances without any protection. Meanwhile, the trailers had fastening belts and other elements to secure the transported cargo. The drivers most often explained this as being in hurry or having a short distance to go. In some cases, it turned out that trucks carrying dangerous goods were not equipped with the required number of fire extinguishers or they did not have valid legalization. Also, not all drivers had written instructions that are required for ADR transport.






















In addition, 3 out of the 41 inspected vehicles transporting dangerous goods were technically inoperative, which resulted in the retention of registration documents. In one of the tankers transporting gas, there were air losses in the pneumatic (brake) system. In turn, a combination of vehicles transporting dangerous goods in the so-called shipments did not have valid periodic technical inspections.

Drivers were fined, and administrative proceedings were instituted against certain transport companies to impose fines.

Foreign experts specializing in ADR transport inspections came to Katowice on Monday. They were welcomed by Deputy Chief Road Transport Inspector, Łukasz Bryła and Silesian Voivodship Road Transport Inspector, Anna Sokołowska-Olesik. They both stressed the importance of truck inspections carrying dangerous goods for road safety and environmental protection. Such meetings and cooperation between representatives of road transport services from different countries are aimed at exchanging knowledge as well as experiences between inspectors working every day on the roads.

Euro Contrôle Route is an international organization that brings together European road transport control services, working together to improve road safety, ensure fair competition and harmonize transport rules throughout Europe. Poland, represented by the Chief Inspectorate of Road Transport, will take over the annual presidency of the ECR on 1 July 2019.

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