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When touring in Spain, vehicle combinations over 12 metres long have to meet the following requirements.

Spanish law

This information has been confirmed by the DGT (Dirección General de Tráfico) and the Real Automóvil Club de España.

- Marker boards must be made of aluminium with a plain yellow centre with a red outline
- This law applies to vehicles registered in Spain and abroad
- Both boards need to be fitted to the outfit between 50cm and 150cm off the ground
- This law has been in existence since 1998

For advice on attaching/fitting marker boards to your outfit please contact your local dealer or manufacturer.

Any car/caravan or motorhome (with or without a trailer) travelling to Spain that is over 12m in length must have one long or two small aluminium boards attached to the back.

The aluminium boards must have a yellow centre with a red outline, be reflective, and comply with ECE70 or ECE70.01 standards. (We would recommend that you check before purchase that the boards you are buying have the ECE70 or ECE70.01 mark stamped on them).

The two options available are:

One large marker board

One large marker board that must be placed at the back of the outfit between 50cm and 150cm off the ground.

This board must be attached horizontally. Dimensions are 1300mm x 250mm or 1130mm x 200mm.

Two marker boards

Two marker boards must be placed at the back of the outfit between 50cm and 150cm off the ground. They can be attached horizontally or vertically and must be symmetrical.

Dimensions of the marker boards can be 500mm x 250mm or 565mm x 200mm.



Marker boards can be purchased from most HGV suppliers including:
HGV Direct
www.hgvdirect.co.uk
Telephone: 01335 453 800

Using marker boards in other countries

In order to display marker boards in the UK, your vehicle must fall into one of the following categories (confirmed by the Transport Technology and Standards Department):

- A motor vehicle with a gross weight exceeding 7500kg
- A motor vehicle first used before 1 August 1982 and having an unladen weight exceeding 3000kg
- A trailer with a gross weight exceeding 3500kg
- A trailer manufactured before 1 August 1982 having an unladen weight exceeding 1000kg

The marker boards are legal in Portugal and if the combined weight of your vehicles is over 3.5t they are also legal in France.

We have contacted both SOLVIT (which is an organisation set up to resolve problems caused by the misapplication of EU rules in Member States) and the European Commission who have both confirmed that Spain can apply this law to all vehicles circulating in Spain regardless of where they are registered.