

BORDER CONTROL IS NOT THE CAUSE OF THE EXTENDED WAITING TIMES

It is not the stricter approach of the Police in controlling the payment of road tolls that causes extended waiting times on the external Schengen borders. The border control points with the heaviest truck traffic function at full capacity.

Near the end of the year – similar to the previous years – the international heavy vehicle traffic is increased at the border control points. There is a foreseeable increase in the traffic of vehicles transporting goods until the end of the year.

The Police, as before, is fulfilling its legal obligations when it checks, within the framework of border control, whether the operators of the vehicles obliged to pay road tolls proportionate to the distance travelled indeed paid the toll. During the inspection it is checked in case of vehicles above 3.5 tons, lorries, trucks, and any trailers or semi-trailers attached to these types of vehicles, whether there was any infringement in relation to paying road tolls in the past 150 days.

According to our recent experience, the number of infringements – among them not paying the road toll – concerning vehicles registered outside of Hungary has increased. In these cases, the Police conducts the necessary procedure on the scene. The vehicles under inspection are directed from the traffic lanes to parking lots and truck terminals.

The Hungarian Police and the Romanian and Serbian border policing authorities do everything they can in order to avoid any interruption in border crossing. The border control points in question function at full capacity, bus and private traffic are not affected in any way, there are no significant interruptions.

The Police calls on the operators of heavy vehicles to fully comply with their obligations relating to the use of Hungarian public roads, otherwise the Hungarian Police is obligated to conduct the necessary legal procedure.