

DRIVING RULES IN ST. MARTIN

international Driving License is recognized.

Driving tips for Saint Martin:

- Saint Martin abides the French laws, thus, it drives on the right.
- Road signs and markings look quite awful, thus, sometimes it may be too difficult to find a necessary address.
- Roads in Saint Martin are narrow and windy. That's why we recommend you to exercise cautiousness behind the wheel.
- Overtaking is on the left side of the road.
- Always buckle up!
- Children under 12 years of age are not allowed to sit in the front seat. To transport children under the age of 4, use restraint systems which correspond to the height and weight of a child.
- The maximum drink drive limit in Saint Martin is 50 mg per 100 ml of blood.
- Hands free is a must. Otherwise, you may be fined 730€.
- Beware of livestock in remote areas of the island. Cattle crossing may provoke car accidents.
- According to the local traffic rules and regulations a driver must yield the way to cows.
- In rainy weather, the roads get slick. Be extremely alert and stick to the given speed limits.
- Exercise cautiousness when parking in Philipsburg (the capital) and at airports. Tow trucks operate quite often. To recover your vehicle, you will have to pay heavy money.
- Local drivers tend to honk at each other on the road. That's how they greet one another.
- The maximum speed on open roads is 100 km/h, and 50 km/h in built-up areas.
- Gas stations accept no credit cards. Thus, don't forget to take some cash with you.