



GOOD TO KNOW – March 2020

SAVE THE DATE

**The second F.I.C.C. World Congress for Camping, Caravanning and Motorcaravanning will be held on
29th and 30th OCTOBER 2020
in Paris/France**

**INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. YOUTH RALLY
in COIMBRA/PORTUGAL
from 9th to 13th APRIL 2020**

MESSAGE “YOUTH, OUR PRIDE”

F.I.C.C. has assigned the organisation of the 70th F.I.C.C. Youth Rally to Portugal. The Portuguese Federation - Federação de Campismo e Montanhismo de Portugal - has already organized four successful and well attended F.I.C.C. Youth Rallies in the past: Nazaré, 1993; Póvoa de Varzim, 1999; Lisbon in 2008 and more recently Lagoa de Santo André in 2014.

OUR PROMISE TO YOU

Great entertainment, cultural programme, typical Portuguese gastronomy, socializing among friends and sports activities...

And now it is the turn of Coimbra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to welcome young campers from 9th to 13th April 2020.

Information: <https://www.70youthrallyficc.com:9444/>



**NORDIC CAMPING RALLY 2020 from 6th to 10th July 2020
in Rauhalahhti
(Kupio) / Finland under F.I.C.C. patronage**

6.-10.7.2020 KUOPIO, FINLAND



NORDIC RALLY 2020

Rauhalahhti is a 5-star campsite and holiday centre in eastern Finland about 400 km from Helsinki. Kupio, a very lively town with a population of 118,000, is one of the largest in eastern central Finland. It has an airport and very good bus and train connections with the rest of the country and is an interesting area for campers to discover. Rauhalahhti is only 6 kms from the town centre and offers a variety of accommodation possibilities in cabins, villas or hotel. The pitches are well appointed with all the usual facilities that campers require. SF Caravan invites everyone to join them in Kupio in 2020.

Further information at www.nct2020fi; www.visitrauhalahhti.fi; www.kupio.fi

**90th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2020 in OSTIA/ROME (ITALY)
from 24th July to 2nd August 2020**



Further information at www.ficc2020.actitalia.it



**20th F.I.C.C. ASIA-PACIFIC RALLY from 30.04 to 04.05 2020
IN FULONG/TAIWAN**

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91st INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY in IRELAND

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**92nd INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY from 29 July to 07 August 2022 in
MOSCOW/RUSSIA**

**93rd INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY from 18th to 27th September 2022
in SHANGHAI/CHINA**

Camping/Caravanning/Motorcaravanning

If you are thinking of taking your 4-legged friend(s) on a camping trip abroad, you should be aware of, and abide by, the following rules.

The European passport, commonly known as the Pet Passport, is mandatory for pet dogs and cats travelling abroad.

II. BESCHREIBUNG DES TIERES <small>Description of animal</small>	III. KENNZEICHNUNG DES TIERES <small>Identification of animal</small>
	1. Mikrochip-Nummer / <small>Microchip number</small>  2. Datum der Mikrochip-Implantation / <small>Date of microchipping</small> 26. JUNI 2013 3. Implantationsstelle / <small>Location of microchip</small> Linke Halsseite 4. Tätowierungsnummer / <small>Tattoo number</small> 5. Datum der Tätowierung / <small>Date of tattooing</small>
1. Name / <small>Name</small> <u>Wolff Goldfuchs</u> 2. Art / <small>Species</small> <u>Hund</u> 3. Rasse / <small>Breed</small> <u>Yorkshire Terrier</u> 4. Geschlecht / <small>Sex</small> <u>männlich</u> 5. Geburtsdatum / <small>Date of birth</small> <u>15.2.2010</u> 6. Haarkleid / <small>Coat</small> <u>Goldgelb</u> <small>(Farbe und Typ) (Colour & type)</small> <small>*Nach Angabe des Tierbesitzers As stated by owner</small>	Die Angaben sind vor jedem neuen Eintrag in diesen Ausweis zu überprüfen <small>The identification must be verified before any new entry is made on this passport</small> DE 06 0736665





All European countries require a valid rabies vaccination certificate. The Pet Passport provides proof that the animal, identifiable by an electronic microchip, has been vaccinated against rabies. The passport is issued by an authorized veterinarian.

However, you should make sure that the identifying microchip is implanted before vaccination to guarantee that the vaccination applies clearly and irrefutably to the pet in question.

Details of the period of validity of the vaccine are supplied by the manufacturer and you should request this information from your veterinarian. The first vaccination must be given at least 21 days before entering another country.



Special case – Travel to the United Kingdom

The six-month quarantine period that had existed for a century for pet dogs and cats arriving in the United Kingdom was lifted on 28 February 2000 and replaced with a checklist of other binding conditions applicable to incoming cats, dogs and ferrets:

- They must arrive in England, Scotland or Wales via a designated entry point. Check these routes out before you travel as they are subject to change or may only be valid at certain times of the year.
- The animal must be at least three months old.
- It must have an electronic microchip for identification.
- It must be vaccinated against rabies.
- It must have received tapeworm treatment from a veterinarian 1 – 5 days before entry that is documented in the dog's Pet Passport. This treatment is not required for animals travelling from Finland, Ireland, Malta and Norway.

- A blood test and tick treatment are no longer required for animals arriving from EU countries. This reduces the preparation time for travel from 6 months (time between blood test and permission to enter the country) to just 21 days (time between rabies vaccination and permission to enter the country).

It is also important to know that the following breeds of dog are forbidden entry into Great Britain.

- Pitbull terrier
- Japanese Tosa
- Dogo Argentino
- Fila Brasileiro

This ban does not just apply to the above-mentioned breeds, but to all similar-looking dogs. Beware: anyone who disregards this advice is liable to a heavy fine.



Source and further information :

www.visitbritainshop.com/deutschland/artikel-und-news/mit-dem-hund-nach-grossbritannien/

www.service-public.fr

www.bmel.de/DE/Tier/HausUndZootiere/Heimtiere/_Texte/Heimtierausweis.html

MISCELLANEOUS

Traffic

Taking your caravan or motorcaravan on a train

An alternative to travelling by ferry or through a motorway tunnel – take a train to your island or mountain destination

To Sylt

Caravans can be transported by car train on the 11km stretch from Niebüll in Nordfriesland to Westerland on Sylt in 35 minutes. Note that caravans are secured by means of tension straps or clamping belts on the DB Sylt Shuttle. A caravan must therefore have suitable fixing points, in the absence of which it cannot be transported.

N.B.!! Very large motorcaravans with roof hatches, skylights or panoramic roofs, should not be loaded on to the shuttle for safety reasons. There have been three incidents when one of these became detached in transit and fell off.

This regulation applies to motorcaravans which, given their dimensions are loaded on to a single storey wagon because they are too big for a “double deck” wagon.

But **small motorcaravans** can still be transported on the Sylt Shuttle (even with skylights/roof hatches) because they can be loaded on to a “double deck” wagon given their dimensions (up to 6m in length, up to 2m70 in height, up to 2m20 in width and up to 3 t laden weight).

If you can prove that you have a reservation on a Sylt campsite, the German railways will give you a special price for your caravan. (In any case, please not that wild camping is forbidden on Sylt.)





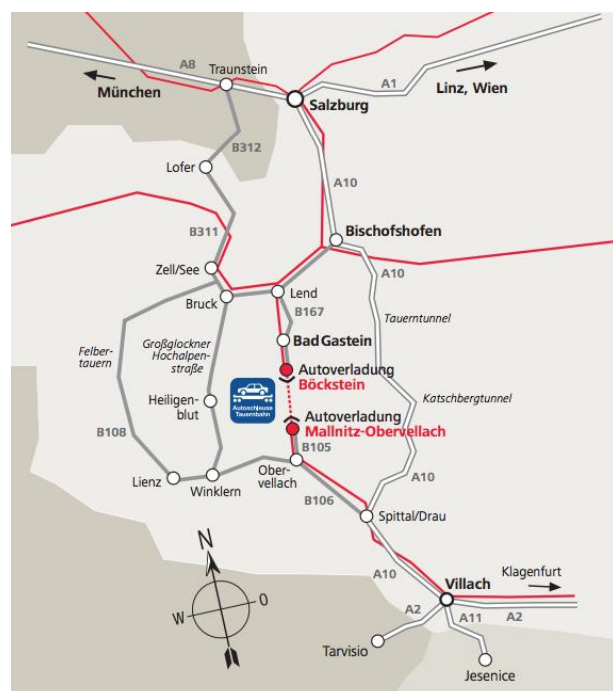
Further information under :

<https://www.syltshuttle.de/syltshuttle-de/anreise/campingfahrzeuge>

Avoid traffic jams crossing the Alps

The **Tauernbahn Autoschleuse motorrail** operated by the ÖBB is a welcome alternative to the Tauern motorway. It transports cars and trailers up to 3.5t and caravans (3-axle) through the Tauern tunnel between the Gasteinertal in Salzburg and the Mölltal in Carinthia (Kärnten). The trains run hourly and the journey takes 11 minutes.

Passengers have to leave their vehicle at the start of the journey and take a seat in the passenger carriage on platform 1. Only the driver remains with the vehicle and drives it on to the train following which he/she goes to the passenger carriage.



Conditions of carriage and further information

<https://www.oebb.at/de/regionale-angebote/kaernten/autoschleuse-tauernbahn>

To England

For travellers in a hurry to get to England, the best solution is the Eurotunnel car train. The tunnel goes from Calais (Sangatte) in France to Folkestone in England – a journey that takes just 30 minutes. Unlike the ferry, drivers and passengers stay seated in their vehicle/caravan for the duration of the journey through the tunnel. This is especially welcome for people travelling with their four-legged friends.



When you cross the Channel by ferry, passengers have to go up on deck leaving their dogs alone in their vehicle.

The car train can transport virtually all types of vehicle. Cars up to 1.85m height are loaded on to double deck carriages and **taller vehicles such as caravans** and minibuses are loaded on to single carriages. However you should be aware that **vehicles that run on gas cannot be transported through the tunnel**. If you are driving a **caravan or motorcaravan** to England, **the amount of propane gas** that you can take with you is limited. About **93 litres are allowed** depending on the containers and specification.



Further information on exact amount of gas and conditions of carriage under:

<https://britain.de/anreise/eurotunnel>

<https://www.eurotunnel.com/uk/>

Environment

Thunderstorms and severe weather warnings

Storm warning

Websites that give accurate severe weather warnings free of charge abound on the internet. Here are a few examples:

Europe:

Weather alert

<http://www.meteoalarm.info/>

Germany:

Severe weather service Germany

<http://www.unwetterzentrale.de/uwz/sturm.htm>



Austria:

ORF Weather service

<http://wetter.orf.at/oes>

Austrian Severe Weather Centre

<http://www.uwz.at/at/de/>

Switzerland:

SF Meteo

http://meteo.sf.tv/sfmeteo/wetter_aktuell_niederschlag.php

<http://alarm.meteocentrale.ch/gewitter.html>

Italy: <http://www.meteo-allerta.it/>



NEWS FROM F.I.C.C. AND OUR MEMBERS

DCC-Europa Prize 2020.

The Reise + Camping Fair once more set the stage for the DCC Europa Prize awards. The awards go to excellent-rated campsites in Germany and Europe. The much sought-after prizes were announced at the award ceremony in the presence of F.I.C.C. President Joao Alves Pereira.

The Deutscher Camping-Club has become increasingly aware over recent years that campsites that had been awarded the DCC Europa Prize have moved up even further so they have introduced a new award: the DCC Europa Platinum Prize. In order to do justice to the special ranking of these campsites, the prize will be awarded every year to just two campsites out of the ranks of former DCC Europa Prize winning campsites.



Photo: Essen Fair – Rainer Schimm

FAIRS & EXHIBITIONS

Australia : Supershow from 28 April to 3 May 2020, in Sydney

Austria: Urlaub & Camping from 3 to 5 April 2020, in Wels
Caravan Salon Austria from 14 to 18 October 2020, in Wels
Ferienmesse Vienna in January 2021

Belgium: Mobicar from 22 to 26 October 2020, in Brussels

China : CMT China from 29 to 31 May 2020, in Nanjing
All-in Caravanning from 12 to 14 June, in Beijing



Czech Republic: Caravanning Brno from 5 to 8 November 2020, in Brno
Finland: Caravan Show from 24 to 26 April 2020, in Turku
Caravan Finland Lahden Messut from 17 to 20 September 2020, in Lahti
France: Salon Mondial du Tourisme from 12 to 15 March 2020, in Paris
Salon des Véhicules de Loisirs from 26 September to 4 October 2020, in Paris
Germany: FTY- Camping, Freizeit und Touristik from 12 to 15 March 2020, in Freiburg
Caravan Salon from 29 August to 6 September 2020, in Düsseldorf
Caravan Live Messe from 1 to 4 October 2020, in Freiburg
Caravan Bremen from 6 to 8 November 2020, in Bremen
Touristik & Caravanning from 18 to 22 November, in Leipzig
Great Britain: National Motorhome & Campervan Show from 17 to 19 April 2020, in Peterborough
Caravan & Motorhome Show from 8 to 10 May, in Cheltenham
The Norfolk Motorhome & Caravan Show from 24 to 26 July 2020, in Norwich
Motorhome & Caravan Show from 18 to 23 October, in Birmingham
Italy: Il Salone del Camper from 12 to 20 September, in Parma
The Netherlands: Kampeer & Caravan Jaarbeurs from 7 to 11 October, in Utrecht
Norway : Caravanmessen from 17 to 20 September, in Lilleström
Spain: Feria del Camping in April 2020, in Valencia
Salon Internacional del Caravanning * October 2020, in Barcelona
Switzerland: Suisse Caravan Salon from 22 October to 26 October 2020, in Bern
Sweden: Elmia Camping & Caravanning from 9 to 13 September 2020, in Jönköping

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