

Towing in France - Are you Legal?

Caravan / Trailer French Speed Limit Stickers

Vehicles driving in France that are towing a caravan or trailer, where the vehicle has a GTM over 3.5 tonnes (see below), must display 80 and 90 'speed limit' stickers. This is because French Highway Code states that they are required to drive at the lower speed limits of:

- 80 km/h on single carriageways
- 90 km/h on dual carriageways / motorways

Whilst, by the letter of the law, Speed Stickers are only required by 'resident' vehicles, UK drivers should be aware that 'local' Police are not always aware of this and we therefore strongly recommend that UK drivers fit them as well.

GTM (Gross Train Mass) is the maximum permitted 'fully loaded' weight of your vehicle **ADDED TO** the maximum permitted caravan / trailer towing weight for your vehicle. This information can normally be found in your vehicle handbook. However, as a guide, most family sized cars (e.g. Ford Mondeo) will have a GTM in excess of 3.5 tonnes.

NOTE: This law is based on the 'theoretical' total GTM and, even if you are towing a smaller trailer with a lightly loaded car, stickers should still be applied!

Stickers are available from the onboard shops / information desk

