Bus regulations

Buses are not permitted to drive into the Old Town of Rothenburg. Bus companies with overnight guests may request a BusVignette. This permits access into the Old Town under the following conditions:

- The bus driver must always carry the BusVignette with him either in paper or digital form.
- Only overnight guests with luggage may be taken to the hotel on arrival and picked up from the hotel on departure.
- Turning and reversing the bus must be assisted by the hotel’s appointed guide wearing high-visibility clothing.
- The bus may only drive to the respective hotel using the prescribed route. Approach and departure routes for Hotel Roter Hahn are on the plan on the reverse side.
- Old Town closures: The BusVignette does not apply on days when the Old Town is closed off. These are defined as follows:
  - Spring Awakening: 23/24 April* 29/30 April*
  - Whitsun: 15/16 May 4/5 June
  - Imperial City Days: 3/4 Sept* 2/3 Sept*
  - * Dates are still under reservation and subject to change.

Other closures:
Other short-term closures are rare but possible. See [www.parken-rothenburg.de/altstadtsperrungen](http://www.parken-rothenburg.de/altstadtsperrungen) for an update on the current situation before setting off.

- During the Christmas Market (25 Nov – 23 Dec 2016 / The date from 1 Dec – 23 Dec 2017 is still under reservation and subject to change) access to and from the hotel is only possible as follows:
  - Mondays – Thursdays: 18:00 – 11:00
  - Fridays – Sundays: 19:00 – 11:00
- A height restriction of 3.05 m is in place on the approach to Hotel Roter Hahn. Buses with a vehicle height of 3.70 m to 3.90 m may only drive through the Galgentor at walking pace and must keep within the white broken lines.
- Compulsory pilotage: Compulsory pilotage is in place to ensure road safety in driving to and from Hotel Roter Hahn. The following regulations apply for this:
  - Compulsory pilotage is not necessary from 7 January – 20 March
  - In addition, compulsory pilotage is not necessary between 18:00 – 11:00.
  - During compulsory pilotage, buses may only drive into the Old Town with a hotel-appointed pilot wearing high-visibility clothing labelled “Lotse”.
  - Collection point for the pilots is at the oversize car park 3 “Schweinsdorfer Straße”.
  - The hotel must be informed at least 15 minutes before the bus arrives at car park P3, so that they can provide a pilot in good time.

Parking

- NEW Buses may park for free at night between 18:00 and 09:00 at the oversize car parks. Parking facilities at the following car parks are adequately sized and well positioned with direct access to the motorway.
  - P1 Friedrich-Hörner-Weg
  - P2 Nördlinger Straße
    - (only up to 7.5 t)
  - P3 Parkplatz Schweinsdorfer Straße

Parking in the Old Town is prohibited. Road signs are in place to indicate loading and unloading areas.

Application form for BusVignette

[www.parken-rothenburg.de/parkkarten/busvignette](http://www.parken-rothenburg.de/parkkarten/busvignette)

Click on the red button on the right

BusVignette information

Validity: 1 year
Costs: €50.00

The BusVignette is issued per bus company. This allows several buses from the same bus company to drive into the town on the same day.
Valid from May 2016

Route:
Approach: Galengasse – Georgengasse – Marktplatz – Obere Schmiedgasse
Exit: Untere Schmiedgasse – Wenggasse – Rosengasse – Galengasse

Height restriction: 3.05 m
Buses with a vehicle height of 3.70 m to 3.90 m may only drive through the Galgentor at walking pace and must keep within the white broken lines.

Compulsory pilotage at certain times: yes (see reverse side)
Entrance and exit only permissible on specified route with accompanying BusVignette.

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