

Travel regulations: Border regime of Slovakia



The Decree concerning the border regime of Slovakia effective from 1 December 2021 can be [found here](#).

Notice: The document does not serve as binding interpretation of the valid legislation. In the event of conflict, exclusively the wording of applicable Decree published in the [Journal of the Government of the Slovak Republic](#) shall apply

General rules for arrivals from abroad



No later than upon entry in the territory of the Slovak Republic, persons older than 12 years and 2 months of age arriving in Slovakia must register at <https://korona.gov.sk/en/ehranica/> and must be able, when requested, to show proof of registration during their stay in Slovakia.



People arriving in the Slovak Republic by air are also obliged to fill in the passenger locator form: <https://www.mindop.sk/covid/forms>. Passengers arriving from a country not included in the list stated below need to have a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 72 hours.



All unvaccinated persons entering the territory of the Slovak Republic must enter self-isolation, which ends, in case of asymptomatic course and without testing, on the 10th day.



If, after arrival from abroad, people have COVID-19 symptoms, they have to report this to their attending physician or paediatrician; if they do not have an attending physician in the Slovak Republic, they shall inform a locally competent physician of the self-governing region.

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ARRIVAL FROM RISK COUNTRIES – OMICRON VARIANT

Effective **from Wednesday, 1 December 2021**, there will be mandatory quarantine for all persons (regardless of vaccination status or recovery from COVID-19) coming to Slovakia who visited the following countries in the last 14 days:

- South Africa
- Botswana
- Namibia
- Lesotho
- Eswatini
- Mozambique
- Zimbabwe
- Israel
- Hong Kong
- Seychelles

There are no exemptions from quarantine for these persons for the time being. Quarantine can be carried out at home or in quarantine accommodation.

Quarantine in the case of an asymptomatic course ends:

- without passing a RT-PCR test by completing the 14th day after entering the territory of Slovakia,
- in case of RT-PCR testing - after receiving two negative RT-PCR test results, the first test can be carried out no earlier than on the first day after arrival and the second test on the eighth day after the arrival,
- children under 12 years and two months of age do not need to be tested, their quarantine ends at the same time as quarantine of other persons in the same household.

These time limits apply only if you do not experience any symptoms of COVID-19. If symptoms appear, the attending doctor is to decide the end of the quarantine.

Quarantine is also mandatory for other household members, regardless of whether they are fully vaccinated or recovered from COVID-19.

These rules apply only to those persons who will arrive to Slovakia from 1 December 2021. **If you have visited the above-mentioned countries before the decree takes effect, please promptly check in at the e-mail address omikron@uvzsr.sk.**

You must provide the name, surname, phone number and district in which you are currently staying. You will be contacted by the competent regional public health authority to determine next steps.

The amendment of the Decree is an immediate response to the globally increasing occurrence of the new variant omicron. The WHO and several countries, including Slovakia, have chosen the precautionary principle and are taking a cautious approach to the new variant following experience with alpha or delta variants. The Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic will continue to monitor and continuously evaluate validated scientific data on this variant, which will be available and will further correct the procedure based on the identified properties of this variant of the virus. Therefore, the introduction of further preventive measures cannot be excluded.

VACCINATED PERSON

Person is considered to be fully vaccinated:

- vaccines with a two-dose schedule: at least 14 days after administration of the second dose
- vaccines with a single dose schedule: at least 21 days after administration of the vaccine
- people who recovered from COVID-19: at least 14 days after administration of the first dose of the vaccine if it was administered within 180 days after recovery

Entry of vaccinated persons to the Slovak Republic:

- Registration form via e-Hranica must be filled in before crossing the border. **The first registration is valid for the next 6 months.**
- Vaccinated persons **do not need to enter mandatory self-isolation** after arrival to the Slovak Republic.
- Upon entry to the Slovak Republic, status of a fully vaccinated person must be proved by **EU Digital COVID Certificate** or by **other national certificate from a third country containing the following data**: name, surname, date of birth, name of the vaccine and its manufacturer, the order of administered dose and information on the vaccine scheme (single or 2- dose vaccine) and the date of the last vaccination. **National certificate from the third country must have a seal of the respective national authority or shall be verifiable electronically and it must also be in English.** Person unable to prove the above mentioned is not considered as fully vaccinated.

Passengers arriving to the Slovak Republic by air:

- People arriving in Slovakia by air are **also obliged to fill in the following form before entering the country:** <https://www.mindop.sk/covid>
- On arrival from a country not included in the list below, it is necessary to prove **a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 72 hours.**

List of countries from which no test is required on arrival by air:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Montenegro, China, Czech Republic, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Georgia, Netherlands, Hong Kong, Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Canada, South Korea, Kosovo, Cuba, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Latvia, Luxembourg, Macau, Hungary, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Germany, Norway, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Austria, Romania, San Marino, Northern Macedonia, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, United Arab Emirates, USA, Mexico, Serbia, Switzerland, Sweden, Taiwan, Italy, Turkey, Ukraine, Vatican.

UNVACCINATED PERSON

- **Registration form via e-Hranica must be filled upon every entry to the country.**
- All unvaccinated people entering Slovakia **must undergo self-isolation.**
- **Self-isolation will end**
 - in the case of an asymptomatic course by completing its 10th day. Self-isolation is mandatory also for all unvaccinated members of common household or for those not having an exception from self-isolation.
 - **by obtaining a negative RT-PCR test result** for COVID-19. You can take the test **earliest on the fifth day** of isolation. **After filling in the eHranica form you will be automatically registered for RT-PCR testing.**

Passengers arriving to the Slovak Republic by air

- People arriving in Slovakia by air are also obliged to **fill in the following form before entering the country:** <https://www.mindop.sk/covid>.
- **On arrival from a country not included in the list below, it is necessary to prove a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 72 hours.**

List of countries from which test is not required on arrival by air:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Montenegro, China, Czech Republic, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Georgia, Netherlands, Hong Kong, Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Canada, South Korea, Kosovo, Cuba, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Latvia, Luxembourg, Macau, Hungary, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Germany, Norway, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Austria, Romania, San Marino, Northern Macedonia, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, United Arab Emirates, USA, Mexico, Serbia, Switzerland, Sweden, Taiwan, Italy, Turkey, Ukraine, Vatican.

Unvaccinated persons do not need to enter mandatory self-isolation if:

1. they cannot be vaccinated for health reasons; they must be able to prove it by the confirmation from a medical specialist (template is listed in the [Annex No. 4 of the Decree](#)) and at the same time they need to provide a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 72 hours.

2. they have a permanent or temporary residence in the border areas of a neighbouring state within 100 km from an open border crossing to the territory of the Slovak Republic and are citizens of the Slovak Republic - they must demonstrate a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 7 days.
3. they are cross-border commuters travelling to / from Slovakia exclusively for the work purpose from / to EU countries, Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, Switzerland or Ukraine + have a permanent or temporary residence in Slovakia or in those countries + have a certificate from the employer or a Dôveryhodné informácie o COVID-19, správne postupy a odporúčania nájdete na stránkach www.uvzsr.sk a korona.gov.sk proof of work in those territories according to [Annex no. 3 of the Decree](#) - they must submit a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 7 days.
4. they provide urgent care for close family members in the territory of a neighbouring state (or enter Slovakia from a neighbouring state for this purpose) - they must have a certificate of urgent care from the attending physician of a close family member, proof of family relationship (both in Slovak) and a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 7 days.
5. persons can prove that they cross the border from / to the surrounding states due to land management; land must be located within 10 km from the border of the Slovak Republic - they must demonstrate a negative RTPCR test result not older than 7 days.
6. they are covered by an exemption from quarantine in case of performance of their profession - for example, aircraft crews, trains, truck drivers, funeral service workers during the transport of remains (details [in § 6 of the Decree](#)). These persons do not have to prove a negative test result for COVID-19, nor do they have to register at e-Hranica.
7. they belong to selected professional groups (e.g., delegations representing the Slovak Republic, members of the European Parliament or employees of international organizations, artists in cross-border production, posted editors, sports representation and others; in detail in [§ 8 of the Decree](#)) - upon entering Slovakia, they are obliged to prove their status according to which they are exempted from quarantine, as well as a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 72 hours.
8. it is a short-term entry for the purpose of participating in funeral of a close person; an unvaccinated person must demonstrate a negative RT-PCR test not older than 72 hours.

“PENDLERS” (CROSS-BORDER COMMUTERS)

1. Persons who have a permanent or temporary residence in Slovakia and a place of work in other EU countries or in Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein or Switzerland, having visited only these countries in the last 14 days and travelling only for work.

2. Persons who have a permanent or temporary residence in countries of the European Union (except the Slovak Republic), Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein or Switzerland and in the case of Ukraine within 100 km of an open border crossing point, their work place is in the Slovak Republic and they travel to the country only for work.

Border regime for cross-border commuters

- Unvaccinated commuters are exempted from quarantine if:
 - they have a certificate from the employer about the place of work
 - and a negative RT-PCR test result not older than 7 days
- Unvaccinated pendlers must register at e-Hranica - registration is valid for 1 month.
- Vaccinated commuters are registered at e-Hranica for 6 months, after entering the territory of the Slovak Republic they do not have an ordered quarantine, nor do they have to demonstrate a negative RT-PCR test result.

CHILDREN

e-Hranica

- Children under 12 years and 2 months do not need to register.

Self-isolation

- **A child under 12 years and 2 months does not need to be tested, quarantine ends with other unvaccinated members of the household** (e.g., when other members of household receive negative RT-PCR test results, after being tested on 5th day of isolation).

Arriving to the Slovak Republic by air

If children under the age of 12 years and 2 months enter the territory of the Slovak Republic by air from countries not listed in the Decree, unlike older fellow passengers, they do not have to demonstrate a negative PCR test result.

STUDENTS

- Children, pupils and students **who actively attend nursery, primary, secondary or higher education in neighbouring countries** (or, conversely, reside in these countries and attend school in Slovakia) **do not have to undergo quarantine if they have a proof of full-time study.**
- If they have a permanent residence in the Slovak Republic + the status of a primary / secondary school student or a full-time university student + participate in training process as proper members of a sports club in the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary or in the Republic of Austria + have confirmation from the competent institution, they do not have to undergo quarantine after crossing the border.
- Pupils and students **from the age of 12 years and 2 months must also have a negative RT-PCR or rapid antigen test result** not older than 7 days. These conditions also apply to one accompanying person, who, in addition to a negative test (RT-PCR not older than 7 days), must be able to prove their status by a certificate of the accompanying person.

ATTENTION: Students have to cross the border in the regime stated above due to active school attendance (students cannot apply this border regime when teaching is interrupted, such as during the summer holidays).

PERSONS TRAVELLING FOR DIAGNOSTICS AND TREATMENT

Persons with permanent or temporary residence in the Slovak Republic, who **enter or leave the Slovak Republic for diagnostics and treatment**, as well as persons close to them **have an exception from self-isolation.**

- If their stay **does not exceed 12 hours, they do not have to ask for an exception**, however, they must be able to show the purpose of their travel (invitation/confirmation from the doctor).
- If their stay **exceeds 12 hours, they have to submit an application through the web page <https://cestujem.standardnepostupy.sk>**
- Registration at e-Hranica is valid for one week.

TRANSPORT OF CLOSE PERSONS TO/FROM THE AIRPORT

- Persons **transporting their close persons to/from international airports** in the territory of the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary and Austria must, at the latest, upon exit from Slovakia, register at <https://naletisko.mzv.sk/>. During border control, they have to show printed confirmation of this registration and the air ticket of the transported person or an electronic copy of it.
- At the latest, upon arrival to the Slovak Republic they have to register at eHranica (if not having a valid registration).
- The trip must be made exclusively through the territory of EU member states, without stopping (with the exception to refuel and to allow the person being transported to get in or out).
- **If these rules are abided, the territory of the Slovak Republic may be entered even without a valid negative test and without self-isolation.**

TRANSIT THROUGH SLOVAKIA

Tranzitné trasy cez Slovensko platné od 9.7.2021



Povinnosť karantény po vstupe na územie Slovenska **sa nevzťahuje na vykonanie tranzitu osôb a ich rodinných príslušníkov do krajiny, v ktorej majú udelený pobyt alebo ktorej sú občanmi**, pričom tieto osoby musia prejsť územím Slovenskej republiky **určenými dopravnými koridorami bez zastavenia**, okrem zastavenia na nevyhnutné tankovanie pohonných hmôt, celkovo **najneskôr do ôsmich hodín od vstupu na územie Slovenska**.



TRANSIT ROUTES THROUGH SLOVAKIA VALID FROM 9.7.2021

After entering the territory of the Slovak Republic, quarantine obligation does not apply to transit of persons and their family members to a country, in which they have official residence or of which they are citizens. These persons must transit the territory of the Slovak Republic through designated travel corridors without stopping, except for refuelling. The transit cannot last longer than 8 hours.

- Transit through the Slovak Republic must be carried out without stopping with the exception of refuelling
- Transit must be carried out within 8 hours
- It is not obligatory to register before the transit

Routes for transit across Slovak Republic (for passenger traffic only):

Ukraine – Czech Republic

Route Ukraine – Czech Republic is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Vyšné Nemecké - Užhorod, Sobrance, Michalovce, Prešov, Poprad, Ružomberok, Žilina, Border Crossing Point Makov - Bílá-Bumbálka / Border Crossing Point Drietoma – Starý Hrozenkov

Czech Republic – Ukraine

Route Czech Republic – Ukraine is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Makov - Bílá-Bumbálka / Border Crossing Point Drietoma – Starý Hrozenkov, Žilina, Ružomberok, Poprad, Prešov, Michalovce, Sobrance, Border Crossing Point Vyšné Nemecké – Užhorod

Poland – Austria/Hungary

1. Route Poland - Austria/Hungary is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Trstená – Chyžné, Dolný Kubín, Martin, Žilina, Nové Mesto nad Váhom, Bratislava Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka).
2. Route Poland - Hungary is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Trstená – Chyžné, Dolný Kubín, Ružomberok, Banská Bystrica, Zvolen, Border Crossing Point Šahy – Parassapuszta.
3. Route Poland - Austria/Hungary is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Skalité – Zwardoň, Čadca, Kysucké Nové Mesto, Žilina, Nové Mesto nad Váhom, Bratislava Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka).
4. Route Poland - Hungary is designated in following direction Border Crossing Point Vyšný Komárnik – Barwinek – Svidník, Giraltovcce, Prešov, Košice, Border Crossing Point Milhošť – Tornyosnémeti.

Austria/Hungary - Poland

1. Route Austria/Hungary – Poland is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka), Bratislava, Nové Mesto nad Váhom, Žilina, Martin, Dolný Kubín, Border Crossing Point Trstená – Chyžné.
2. Route Hungary - Poland is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Šahy – Parassapuszta, Zvolen, Banská Bystrica, Ružomberok, Dolný Kubín, Border Crossing Point Trstená – Chyžné.
3. Route Austria/Hungary – Poland is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka), Bratislava, Nové Mesto nad Váhom, Žilina, Kysucké Nové Mesto, Čadca, Border Crossing Point Skalité – Zwardoň.
4. Route Hungary – Poland is designated in following direction: Border Crossing Point Milhošť – Tornyosnémeti, Košice, Prešov, Giraltovcce, Svidník, Border Crossing Point Vyšný Komárnik – Barwinek.

Czech Republic - Austria/Hungary

Designated route for transit in following direction: Motorway No. D2 - Border Crossing Point Břeclav- Brodské, Bratislava, Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka).

Austria/Hungary – Czech Republic

Designated route for transit in following direction: Motorway No. D2 - Border Crossing Point (Bratislava -Jarovce – Kittsee/ Čunovo – Rajka), Bratislava, Border Crossing Point Břeclav-Brodské

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