

# Important Information for Travelers

To contain the corona epidemic, the Hessian state government has introduced regulations that include restrictions in various areas of life. These rules must be observed by all persons staying in Hessen. For further information, please visit [www.hessen.de](http://www.hessen.de).

## The following regulations concern all persons, who enter Hesse from a risk area

1. If you enter Hesse from abroad and have been in a **risk area** 10 days prior to your entry, you must immediately go to your home or accommodation. You must quarantine there for **10 days**. This means that you are not allowed to leave your home / accommodation during this time. This rule also applies if you enter Hessen via another federal state. **Risk areas** are identified by the Robert Koch Institute: <https://www.rki.de/covid-19-risikogebiete>.
2. If you enter the country from a risk area, you must immediately inform your local health authority. You can do this by **registering** your entry **online in advance** at <https://einreiseanmeldung.de>. Keep this saved and/or printed confirmation with you and present it to the carrier or the border authority. If you cannot access the digital registration, you must complete **a written substitute registration in exceptional cases** (sample at [https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/fileadmin/Dateien/3\\_Downloads/C/Coronavirus/boarding\\_pass\\_08-20.pdf](https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/fileadmin/Dateien/3_Downloads/C/Coronavirus/boarding_pass_08-20.pdf)) and present this to the carrier or the border authority or immediately after entry to the health authority. You can find your local health office on the Internet at <https://tools.rki.de/plztool/>.
3. Your **quarantine ends at the earliest on the fifth day** after entry. For this you must have a negative test result. The **test** may be taken **at the earliest five days after entry**. You are released from quarantine for the test.
4. The test can be performed either at the **test center in the AiRail Check In at Frankfurt Airport**, directly at your general practitioner at the agreed time or you may use another testing facility (test centers in Hesse: <https://www.kvhessen.de/coronatests/>). As proof of your entry from a risk area you must carry the entry registration with you to enable you to have the test performed free of charge within 10 days after entry. After that you must pay for the cost of the test (private).
5. Until you receive the test result, you **must continue to stay in quarantine at home or in your accommodation**. The **obligation for further quarantine does not** apply if your test for infection with the SARS-CoV-2 virus is **negative and you do not show typical symptoms of COVID-19 disease**. Should typical symptoms such as fever, dry cough or loss of smell or taste occur after entry, you must inform your health office immediately, even if the test result is negative.

### It is not mandatory to quarantine for the following:

Traveling through, border traffic, professional activity / training / study, border commuters, private visits and special professional groups. You can find more details about this at: <https://soziales.hessen.de/gesundheit/corona-hessen/quarantaene-bestimmungen-und-coronatestst-for-arrival/new-regulations-de-08112020/exceptions-to-exceptions-quarantine-regulations-and-coronate-tests-for-arrivals>.

**Violations of these regulations can be punished with a fine of up to EUR 25,000.**



## **Exceptions to quarantine regulations apply if**

you are part of one of the **listed groups of people** and are **symptom-free**

### **Traveling through**

Persons who enter the Federal Republic of Germany only for purposes of traveling through; these persons must leave Hessen by direct route (no overnight stays or visits). You may take a break for eating or refueling.

### **Border traffic**

Persons who have stayed in a risk area for less than 24 hours during border traffic with neighboring states or who enter the state of Hesse for up to 24 hours.

### **Private Visits**

- Persons who enter Hesse to visit immediate family, the spouse or partner not belonging to the same household or to exercise shared custody or a right of access (a negative test result is required for distant relatives and for stays of at least 72 hours).
- Persons entering for the purpose of urgent medical treatment (negative test result required)
- Persons who aid / care for persons in need of protection or help (negative test result required).

### **Professional activity, training, study**

Exceptions are also made for persons who have been in a risk area for less than 72 hours and have observed appropriate protection and hygiene concepts:

- Whose activity is urgently necessary for maintaining the health care system (to be certified by the employer / client)
- Who, for professional reasons, transport people, goods or merchandise across borders by road, rail, sea or air
- Who are high-ranking members of the diplomatic and consular service, of popular assemblies and governments, who have spent time in a risk area for professional reasons that cannot be postponed because of their education/studies.

Please note: Your employer, client or educational institution must certify the compelling necessity. If your stay in a risk area lasts up to 5 days, a negative test result is also required.

### **Border commuters**

Exceptions for border commuters who return regularly (at least weekly) to their place of residence. Your employer, client or educational institution must certify the compelling necessity as well as the adherence to appropriate protection and hygiene concepts.

### **Further exceptions**

For persons, whose professional activity is necessary for maintaining, among other things, functioning of the health care system or public order and the state and its administration.

### **International sporting events**

Persons who are accredited by the respective organizing committee for preparing, participating, implementing and following-up of international sporting events or who are invited by a national sports association to participate in training and course measures (negative test result required).

### **Persons returning from vacation**

Exceptions apply to persons returning from vacation from a risk area in which special epidemiological precautions (protection and hygiene concepts) have been taken for a vacation in this area and for which no travel warning exists (see Federal Foreign Office & RKI), as long as the infection situation in the respective risk area does not prevent this (negative test result required).

If the exemption from quarantine requires a negative test result with regard to an infection with the SARS CoV-2 virus, the underlying testing must have been **performed no less than 48 hours before entry or immediately after entry** (provide proof of entry registration). You can have PCR tests performed **directly on arrival at the test center in the AiRail Check In at Frankfurt Airport**, by your **family doctor** or in a **test center of the Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians (Kassenärztliche Vereinigung)**. The responsible public health department may issue different orders in individual cases.

Site plan: Test center in the AiRail - Check In at Frankfurt Airport

