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## Emergency Covid -19 cross border Flash Information

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AUSTRIA

### **BORDER ACTIVITIES – MOVEMENT OF PERSONS/GOODS**

#### **Border crossing to Austria (valid for neighbour countries):**

##### **Entry Austria in general (initially until 31st May):**

- Every person who wants to enter Austria has to hold a **medical certificate (German, English, Italian language)** not older than 4 days with him/her AND a **negative SARS-CoV-2 test**.
- Austrian citizens with a permanent residence in Austria have to complete a 14 days quarantine anyway
- Transit without stop is allowed

##### **Entering, leaving and moving within Austria is only permitted in case of valid reasons:**

- Business needs
- Emergencies
- Health reasons

##### **Exceptions from quarantine (business reasons):**

- Commuter traffic  
(Austrian definition of commuters: business people and employees, who are residing in a neighbouring country and have to cross EU-borders regularly due to business reasons)
- Commercial traffic
- Transport of goods

##### **Documents to be carried along:**

- Corresponding documents of the business needs/reasons in Austria/Italy
  - Order confirmation or appointment with date and location
  - Delivery note/bill
  - Employment contract / trade license
  - Confirmation of residence
  - Commuter certificate

**General posting directive:** If workers are posted to another EU member state for the provision of services, the EU posting regulations and the national implementation guidelines of the destination country of the posting must be observed!

**Seasonal workers (agriculture and health personal):**

Entry Austria via train and bus without stopover: allowed.

A 14-days quarantine must be started immediately. If a molecular biological test for SARS-CoV-2 performed during this time turns out negative, the 14-day quarantine can be ended.

If seasonal workers cannot start a 14-days quarantine immediately, they must provide proof of a suitable accommodation for the duration of a 14-days quarantine period. The accommodation costs must be borne by themselves or by a third party. If a molecular biological test for SARS-CoV-2 performed during this time turns out negative, the 14-day quarantine can be ended.

**Entry by plane**

Airplanes for passenger transportation departing from the following countries aren't allowed to land in Austria:

1. China
2. Iran
3. Italy
4. Switzerland
5. France
6. Spain
7. United Kingdom
8. Netherlands
9. Russia
10. Ukraine

This doesn't apply to cargo flights, mission flights, ambulance / rescue flights or transfer flights as well as flights for the transport of seasonal workers in compliance with requirements for entry in Austria (see below).

**The landing ban applies until May 22, 2020.**

Provisions for entry by plane:

14-days quarantine immediately after arrival or negative molecular biological test for SARS-CoV-2 not older than 4 days

**The regulation applies until 31st May, 2020.**

**Border crossing Austria - Italy:**

**Travel prohibition in Italy**

Austria has issued a Level 6 travel safety warning for Italy (also valid for South Tyrol, Vatican and San Marino).

**Entering, leaving and moving within Italy is only permitted in case of valid reasons:**

- Business needs
- Emergencies
- Health reasons

**Exceptions from quarantine (business reasons):**

- Commuter traffic (including health staff)
- Commercial traffic as well as personal for assembly work  
(Business activities, such as production, trade and services, in Italy are allowed as long as the activity is also permitted in Italy)
- Transport of goods

**Documents to be carried along:**

- Proof of self-declaration (Italian language)
- Notification for the responsible health authority in Italy
- Corresponding documents of the business needs/reasons in Austria/Italy
  - Order confirmation or appointment with date and location
  - Delivery note/bill
  - Employment contract / trade license
  - Confirmation of residence
  - Commuter certificate

**Duration of stay in Italy after border crossing is limited to 72 hours. Afterwards the national territory of Italy has to be left immediately or a 14-days quarantine must be started.**

**Border crossing Austria – Slovenia**

**The following border crossing points are currently open since the 6<sup>th</sup> of April:**

- Bonisdorf – Kuzma
- Mureck – Trate (5:00 – 21:00)
- Radlpaß – Radelj (5:00-21:00)
- Sichelndorf – Gederovci
- Spielfeld (highway) – Šentilj
- Bad Radkersburg – Gornja Radgona
- Karawankentunnel (A11) – Karavanke (A2)
- Loibltunnel – Ljubelj (5:00 – 21:00)
- Lavamünd – Vič (5:00-23:00)
- Grablach-Holmec (5:00-23:00)
- Berghausen-Svečina (5:00-21:00)
- Spielfeld Bundesstraße – Šentilj (magistrala) (5:00-7:00 in 17:00-19:00)

### **Entry regulations Slovenia:**

- Obligatory 7-days quarantine if a COVID-19 test done on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of quarantine turns out negative. Otherwise, the quarantine has to be prolonged to another 7 days.
- Austrian citizens without residence in Slovenia are not allowed to enter the country at the moment!
- Transit without stop is allowed
- Commuter traffic between Austria-Slovenia is allowed

### **Exceptions from quarantine (business reasons):**

- Commuter traffic
- Commercial traffic is only allowed from Slovenia to Austria!
- Owner of agricultural land are allowed to travel to Austria
- Transport of goods

### **Documents to be carried along:**

- Corresponding documents of the business needs/reasons in Austria/Slovenia
  - Order confirmation or appointment with date and location
  - Delivery note/bill
  - Employment contract / trade license
  - Confirmation of residence
  - Commuter certificate
  - Entry/transit declaration

## **ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES in Austria**

### **Shops, bars and schools: reopening in May**

Since 1st May, 2020 all shops, hairdressers, masseurs, and pedicurists have reopened.

Masks will still be mandatory in shops, people will still be required to keep a metre distance from each other and a space of 10m<sup>2</sup> per client has to be ensured.

Bars and restaurants are due to reopen on 15th May. However, they will be required to close again at 11.00 p.m. Church services will also be permitted again as of 15th May.

As of 4th May, schools in Austria have opened again step by step. The first to open have been classes which are preparing for final exams. As of 15th May, other school classes will also open in phases. This was according to Chancellor Sebastian Kurz.

- **Restaurants and Bars:** reopen on 15th May
- **Hotels:** due to reopen on 29th May
- **Sports facilities:** due to reopen between 15th and 29th May
- **Leisure facilities:** animal parks are due to reopen on 15th May. Next steps and news for reopening expected for 29th May.

**Cinema:** reopening expected from 1st May

- **Public Transport:** Masks will still be mandatory, people will still be required to keep a metre distance from each other, except it is unavoidable due to the number of passengers.
- **Events:** max. 10 persons allowed  
funerals: max. 30 persons allowed  
distance from each other: 1 metre  
masks required in closed rooms and 10m<sup>2</sup> space for each person

from 29th May: until 100 persons allowed  
from 1st July: until 250 persons allowed  
from 1st August: until 500 persons allowed