

Entry requirements

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1. Medical certificates, test results, vaccination certificates and recovery certificates

- a. Medical certificates¹, test results, vaccination certificates and recovery certificates in German or English serve to prove that the person named in the certificate was tested negative for SARS-CoV-2 against COVID-19 by a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA- or antigen-test, vaccinated or recovered from COVID-19.
- b. Test results must include the first and last name of the person tested, date of birth, date and time of sampling, test result (positive or negative), signature of the person performing the test and stamp of the institution performing the test or a bar or QR code. Time of sampling when entering the country must not be more than 72 hours ago (PCR-, LAMP-, TMA-test) or more than 48 hours ago (antigen test).
- c. Medical or official recovery certificates must confirm an infection that has been overcome in the last six months or proof of neutralizing antibodies that must not be older than three months.
- d. Vaccination certificates must meet the following requirements:
 - i. from the 22nd day after the first vaccination, whereby this must not be more than 3 months ago, or
 - ii. second vaccination, whereby the first vaccination must not be more than 9 months ago, or
 - iii. from the 22nd day after vaccination in the case of vaccines for which only one vaccination is planned, whereby this must not be more than 9 months ago, or
 - iv. from the vaccination, provided that at least 21 days before the vaccination, a disease of COVID-19 was confirmed by means of a positive PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test for SARS-CoV-2 or proof of neutralizing antibodies, whereby the vaccination is no longer may be more than 9 months ago.
- e. Following vaccines are recognized:
 - i. Comirnaty from BioNTech and Pfizer (2 vaccinations)
 - ii. Covid-19 Vaccine Moderna (2 vaccinations)
 - iii. Vaxzevria (formerly COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca®) by AstraZeneca (2 vaccinations)
 - iv. COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen® from Johnson & Johnson / Janssen Pharmaceuticals (1 vaccination)

- v. Sinopharm vaccine from Beijing Bio-Institute of Biological Products
(2 vaccinations)

2. Pre-Travel Clearance

- a. Before entering the country, people must register online at [HTTPS://ENTRY.PTC.GV.AT](https://ENTRY.PTC.GV.AT) and present the confirmation of transmission upon entry.

3. Quarantine

- a. People who are obliged to quarantine have to be self-monitored at an existing place of residence (home quarantine) or in other suitable accommodation, the availability of which has to be confirmed upon entry. Accommodation costs are to be borne by yourself.
- b. The quarantine can be ended prematurely for the purpose of leaving Austria if it is ensured that the risk of infection is minimized as much as possible when leaving Austria.

4. Entry from Andorra, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland or the Vatican

- a. Passengers arriving from one of these countries AND who have been to these countries or Austria in the last 10 days without exception can enter Austria freely with a medical certificate, test result, vaccination certificate or recovery certificate.
- b. If no medical certificate, no test result, no vaccination certificate or no recovery certificate can be presented, a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 must be carried out within 24 hours of entry. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.

5. Entry from Croatia, Cyprus, Lithuania, the Netherlands or Sweden

- a. Persons entering from Croatia, Cyprus, Lithuania, the Netherlands or Sweden or who have stayed in these countries in the last 10 days can enter with a vaccination certificate, a recovery certificate or a medical certificate of vaccination or recovery.
- b. People who do not have a vaccination certificate, a recovery certificate or a medical certificate about vaccination or recovery require (a medical certificate about) a negative PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test result. If the medical certificate or the PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test result cannot be presented, a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 must be carried out within 24 hours of entry to let. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control. In addition, a ten-day quarantine must be commenced immediately. The

quarantine is deemed to have ended when a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 is carried out at the earliest on the fifth day after entry and the test result is negative. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.

6. Entry from other not explicitly named countries, Brazil, India, South Africa or United Kingdom is not permitted.

7. Exceptions for entries from other countries that are not explicitly mentioned

- a. Following groups of people can enter from other countries that are not explicitly mentioned using point 5.b:
 - i. Austrian citizens, EU-/EEA-citizens and people who live with them in the same household,
 - ii. Swiss citizens as well as persons who live with them in the same household,
 - iii. people with residence or habitual abode in EU-/EEA-countries or Andorra, Monaco, San Marino, the Vatican or Switzerland and people who live with them in the same household,
 - iv. persons who are entitled to stay in Austria on the basis of a residence permit, a residence title or documentation of the right of residence in accordance with the Settlement and Residence Act or the Asylum Act 2005 are,
 - v. persons who have a confirmation of the application pursuant to Art. 18 Para. 1 of the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (Withdrawal Agreement),
 - vi. members of the staff of diplomatic missions or consular posts and persons who live with them in the same household,
 - vii. employees of international organizations and people who live with them in the same household,
 - viii. persons who are employed by a domestic regional authority or a domestic corporation under public law and whose place of employment is abroad or whose service is performed abroad, insofar as the activity of this corporation abroad is in the interests of the Republic of Austria,
 - ix. persons who enter to begin or continue their studies or for research,
 - x. persons who come to participate in school operations
- b. Following groups of people can come from other not explicitly named countries with a vaccination certificate, a recovery certificate, a test result or a medical certificate. If the medical certificate or the test result cannot be presented, a ten-day quarantine must be commenced immediately. If a

PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test carried out during this time is negative for SARS-CoV-2, the quarantine is deemed to have ended. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.

- i. humanitarian forces,
- ii. persons who enter for business purposes,
- iii. an accompanying person during entry for medical reasons,
- iv. people who enter the country for the purpose of performing a mandatory judicial or official obligation, such as summoning to court hearings
- v. foreigners, if they have a visa D issued by Austria or a photo ID according to § 5 of the Official Seat Act - ASG,

8. Exceptions for entries from Brazil, India, South Africa or United Kingdom

- a. In the course of an entry that is permitted according to the general exceptions in accordance with points b, 7, 9 and 11, a (medical certificate of a) negative PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test-result must be carried and presented in the event of a check. In addition, a ten-day quarantine must be commenced immediately. The quarantine is deemed to have ended if a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test for SARS-CoV-2 is carried out at the earliest on the fifth day after entry and the test result is negative. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.
- b. Following groups of people can enter from Brazil, India, South Africa or United Kingdom:
 - i. Austrian citizens, EU-/EEA-citizens and people who live with them in the same household,
 - ii. Swiss citizens as well as persons who live with them in the same household,
 - iii. people with residence or habitual abode in EU-/EEA-countries or Andorra, Monaco, San Marino, the Vatican or Switzerland and people who live with them in the same household,
 - iv. persons who are entitled to stay in Austria on the basis of a residence permit, a residence title or documentation of the right of residence in accordance with the Settlement and Residence Act or the Asylum Act 2005 are,
 - v. persons who have a confirmation of the application pursuant to Art. 18 Para. 1 of the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (Withdrawal Agreement),

- vi. members of the staff of diplomatic missions or consular posts and persons who live with them in the same household,
 - vii. employees of international organizations and people who live with them in the same household,
 - viii. persons who are employed by a domestic regional authority or a domestic corporation under public law and whose place of employment is abroad or whose service is performed abroad, insofar as the activity of this corporation abroad is in the interests of the Republic of Austria,
 - ix. persons who enter to begin or continue their studies or for research,
 - x. persons who come to participate in school operations
- c. Deviating from this applies to the entry of
- i. humanitarian forces,
 - ii. people who enter for business purposes,
 - iii. an accompanying person in the context of entry for medical reasons,
 - iv. persons who enter the country for the purpose of performing a mandatory judicial or official duty, such as summoning to court hearings,
 - v. foreigners, if they have a visa D issued by Austria or a photo ID in accordance with Section 5 of the Official Seat Act - ASG
- that a (medical certificate of a) negative PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test result must be presented. In addition, a ten-day quarantine must be commenced immediately. The quarantine is deemed to have ended if a PCR-/LAMP-TMA-test for SARS-CoV-2 is carried out after entry and the test result is negative. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.
- d. The use of the exception of entry as a commuter (point 10) is not permitted.
- e. For entry in connection with other important events that can be planned in the family circle, such as weddings, christenings, birthday parties or non-regular visits to the partner, point 7.a applies.
- f. Entry for unforeseeable, urgent reasons that are particularly worthy of consideration in the family circle, such as in particular serious illnesses, deaths, funerals, births and the care of people in need of support in emergencies, is only permitted with a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test for SARS-CoV-2 permitted.
- g. If the person is
- i. Austrian citizen,
 - ii. EU-/EEA-citizens or Swiss citizen, or

iii. having a place of residence or habitual abode in Austria, the PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-test for SARS-CoV-2 required for entry can also be carried out within 24 hours after entry. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.

9. Entry for medical reasons

- a. The entry of
- i. Austrian citizens,
 - ii. persons who are subject to compulsory health insurance in Austria, or
 - iii. persons who have been granted a treatment agreement by an Austrian hospital for medical reasons that are particularly worthy of consideration,

is permitted without restriction if it takes place in Austria for the use of absolutely necessary medical services. Upon entry, a confirmation of the absolute necessity of using a medical service² must be presented.

- b. People with their place of residence or habitual abode in Austria are allowed to re-enter the country without restrictions after having used essential medical services. Upon re-entry, a confirmation of the absolute necessity of using a medical service must be presented.

10. Commuter (does not apply to entry from virus variant areas according to point 8)

- a. Entry
- i. as part of regular commuter traffic for work purposes,
 - ii. as part of regular commuter traffic to participate in school and study activities, or
 - iii. as part of regular commuter traffic for family purposes or to visit a partner

is possible with a (medical certificate or) a test result of PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test. If the medical certificate or the test result cannot be presented, a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/Antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 must be carried out within 24 hours of entry.

11. Reasons that are particularly worthy of consideration in the family circle

- a. Entry for unforeseeable, urgent reasons that are particularly worthy of consideration in the family circle, such as in particular serious illnesses, deaths, funerals, births and the care of people in need of support in emergencies, is possible with a medical certificate, a vaccination certificate, a recovery certificate or a test result. If none of these proofs can be presented, a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 must be carried out within 24 hours of entry. The costs for the test are to be borne by yourself. The negative test result must be presented at a control.

- b. Points 4, 5 and 7.a apply to entry in connection with other important family events that can be planned, such as weddings, christenings, birthday parties or non-regular visits to the partner.
 - 12. general exemptions**, regardless of where these people come from, apply to (no PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/antigen-test for SARS-CoV-2 necessary, no quarantine):
 - a. to maintain goods and passenger traffic (crews), if the destination country is not Austria, the exit must be ensured,
 - b. exclusively for compelling reasons of animal care or for agricultural and forestry measures in individual cases,
 - c. in the context of the implementation of a professional transfer trip / a professional transfer flight,
 - d. in the imperative interest of the Republic of Austria,
 - e. transit passengers or the transit through Austria without a stopover, which is also the case with only essential interruptions, if departure is guaranteed,
 - f. the crew of a repatriation trip / a repatriation flight including the accompanying organs of the public security service,
 - 13. children up to the age of 10 are exempted from any obligation to take a PCR-/LAMP-/TMA-/Antigen-test of SARS-CoV-2**
 - 14. exemptions do not release passenger/crew from foreign immigration entry regulations (visa, ...)**
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Documentation

- ¹: Medical Certificate: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/MEDCERTATEN](https://tinyurl.com/MEDCERTATEN)
 - ²: Confirmation of Medical Service in case of absolute medical necessity: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/MEDSVCATEN](https://tinyurl.com/MEDSVCATEN)
 - Austrian Residence Permits: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/RESIDENCEPERMITSAT](https://tinyurl.com/RESIDENCEPERMITSAT)
 - Registration: [HTTPS://ENTRY.PTC.GV.AT](https://entry.ptc.gv.at)
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Hygiene regulations

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bus / train / ship: On board coaches / trains / excursion ships, a distance of at least 2 meter must be kept from people who do not live in the same household and a FFP2-mask without exhalation-valve (or similar standard) must be worn. If the distance of at least 2 meter is not possible due to the number of passengers and when boarding and alighting, an exception can be made.

aircraft: A FFP2-mask (or similar standard) covering the mouth and nose area must be worn on board aircraft.

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The wearing of a mask does not apply to children up to the age of 6 and to persons who cannot be expected to wear the mask for health reasons. 6- to 14-year-old can use a community-mask instead of a FFP2-mask.

Checking the requirements

Upon arrival, entry requirements and hygiene regulations will be approved by Public Health Authorities (assisted by Police and Army). Existence of the respective reasons as well as documentation must be made credible on entry.

Collection of passenger data

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Operators are obliged to collect contact details of passengers if departure point is an area listed on the homepage of the Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs for which a travel warning has been issued in connection with the occurrence of SARS-CoV-2. Affected countries/regions to be found at <https://www.bmeia.gv.at/reise-aufenthalt/reisewarnungen>.

Details to be collected:

- ID of persons (full name, date of birth and nationality),
- original place of departure,
- departure and arrival time,
- border crossing point for entry into Austria,
- total number of people carried and
- transport code number.

Data has to be stored for 28 days after arrival and made available immediately to Health Authorities on their request.
