

COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

ENTRY REGULATIONS

This info sheet provides summarized general information on the current entry regulations to Austria. As the provided information is collected from the relevant external sources and since provisions might change very rapidly, we cannot guarantee up-to-dateness and accuracy of the information provided. Make sure to **regularly check the current information on the relevant websites listed below and keep yourself updated!** Please also note that the information provided by the International Office does not replace legally binding requirements imposed by the Austrian government and is solely intended as an additional support for your better understanding.

For Austrian citizens, EU/EEA citizens, Swiss citizens and British citizens as well as persons who live in Austria or are normally residents there, and persons who have a residence permit/Visa D for Austria

- ◆ Travellers coming **from countries with a stable COVID-19 infection rate are not affected by any restrictions when entering Austria**. These countries are specifically listed in appendix A1 of [the Regulation on Entry into Austria](#) and currently include the following: Andorra, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, San Marino, Switzerland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Canary Islands (Spain), Czech Republic, Hungary, the Vatican, United Kingdom and Cyprus.

This is conditional on the person having spent the past ten days solely in these countries and that they are resident or normally resident in Austria or one of these states.

- ◆ If the person **has also been in other countries during the last 10 days**, entry is possible either with a medical certificate (Annexes [B \(PDF, 812 KB\) \(PDF, 812 KB\)](#) and [C \(PDF, 811 KB\) \(PDF, 811 KB\)](#)) confirming a negative PCR test not older than 72 hours, or with the person immediately beginning a 10-day quarantine (at home or elsewhere) after entering Austria. Confirmation of the address of the accommodation has to be given, and any related costs must be paid by the person themselves. The quarantine can be ended if a PCR test which is made in the meantime is negative.
- ◆ In the case of **arrival from a country in which the COVID-19 situation is not stable**, entry is possible with a medical certificate (Annexes [B \(PDF, 812 KB\) \(PDF, 812 KB\)](#) and [C \(PDF, 811 KB\) \(PDF, 811 KB\)](#)). These countries are listed in Appendix A2 of [the Regulation on Entry into Austria](#) and currently include: Egypt, Albania, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kosovo, Croatia, Mexico, Moldova, Montenegro, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Sweden, Senegal, Serbia, Spain (except the Canary Islands), South Africa, Turkey, Ukraine, the USA and the province of Hubei in China.

This is conditional on a medical certificate (Annexes [B \(PDF, 812 KB\) \(PDF, 812 KB\)](#) and [C \(PDF, 811 KB\) \(PDF, 811 KB\)](#)) confirming a negative PCR test not older than 72 hours. If a test cannot be carried out abroad, entry can be granted nevertheless, but a PCR test must be carried out in Austria within 48 hours. Until a negative test result can be presented, the person has to self-isolate at home or elsewhere, whereby confirmation of the address must be provided. The cost of the test and – if applicable – any accommodation has to be paid for by the person themselves. If the test result is negative, the quarantine can be ended.

In the case of **entry directly from all other countries** (i.e. countries which are not listed in Annex A1 or A2 of the [Regulation on Entry into Austria](#)), entry is possible either with a medical certificate (Annexes [B \(PDF, 812 KB\) \(PDF, 812 KB\)](#) and [C \(PDF, 811 KB\) \(PDF, 811 KB\)](#)) or if the person immediately begins a 10-day quarantine at home or elsewhere.

This is conditional on the medical certificate (Annexes [B \(PDF, 812 KB\) \(PDF, 812 KB\)](#) and [C \(PDF, 811 KB\) \(PDF, 811 KB\)](#)) confirming a negative PCR test not older than 72 hours. If a medical certificate cannot be presented, the person has to begin a 10-day quarantine (at home or elsewhere) immediately. The quarantine can be ended if a PCR test which is made in the meantime is negative.

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In general, third-country nationals **may not enter the country.**

However, the following exceptions apply to this ban on entry:

- ◆ **In the case of arrival from EU and Schengen countries, entry is possible for third-country nationals with a medical certificate (Annexes B (PDF, 812 KB) (PDF, 812 KB) and C (PDF, 811 KB) (PDF, 811 KB)).** Currently, this covers entry from the following countries: Andorra, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Croatia, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Sweden, Switzerland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Czech Republic, Hungary, the Vatican, the United Kingdom and Cyprus.

This is conditional on a medical certificate (**Annexes B (PDF, 812 KB) (PDF, 812 KB) and C (PDF, 811 KB) (PDF, 811 KB)**) confirming a negative **PCR test not older than 72 hours**. **ADDITIONALLY**, after entering the country a **10-day period of quarantine at home or elsewhere is compulsory**. Confirmation of the address of the accommodation must be given, and any related costs must be paid by the person involved. Ending the period of quarantine prematurely, for example through a second PCR test, **is not possible in this case**.

Source: <https://www.sozialministerium.at/en/Coronavirus/Coronavirus---Information-available-for-download.html> (03.09.2020)

Additional information for 3rd country nationals without a residence document/visa issued by Austrian authorities who can enter Austria visa-free

- ◆ If you are entitled to enter Austria visa-free but do not hold a residence document/visa issued by an Austrian authority, depending on your travel arrangements (e.g. traveling directly to Austria) different entry provisions may apply. Therefore make sure to carefully read all provided information (including links), as well as consult the relevant authorities before your departure.

Further relevant links

Please note that the information in English provided by the Austrian government is limited. For more detailed information please consult also the German version of the websites listed below with the help of an online translator.

- ◆ Austrian Federal Ministry of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection:
<https://www.sozialministerium.at/Informationen-zum-Coronavirus.html>
- ◆ Federal Law Gazette (German only):
<https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=20011194>
- ◆ Austrian Government (German only):
https://www.oesterreich.gv.at/themen/freizeit_und_strassenverkehr/reisen_und_ferien/Reisebeschr%C3%A4nkungen-durch-das-Coronavirus.html
- ◆ Austrian Federal Ministry of Climate Actions, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology:
(Information for airlines only) <https://www.bmk.gv.at/en/service/entry-requirements.html>
- ◆ Austrian National Tourist Office: <https://www.austria.info/en/service-and-facts/coronavirus-information>
- ◆ Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH):
<https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/entry-conditions-covid-19/>