

Covid-19 - conditions for entering the Republic of Serbia

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In order to protect against the introduction of infectious diseases into the territory of the Republic of Serbia, persons coming to the Republic of Serbia from countries with unfavorable epidemiological situation (**from all countries of the world**) are allowed to enter the Republic of Serbia provided they have a negative RT-PCR test for SARS virus. CoV-2, issued by the reference laboratory of the country of origin, not older than 48 hours from the date of issue.

If there is a delay in entering the Republic of Serbia, which cannot be attributed to the fault of the passenger but is a consequence of an external event that could not be predicted, avoided or eliminated (flight delay / delay, departure of buses, trains, etc.), then the test cannot be older than 72 hours upon entering the Republic of Serbia.

Persons coming from the **United States** are recognized, under the same conditions, with a **negative FIA Rapid Antigen test** instead of a negative RT-PCR **test**.

The restriction does not apply to citizens of the Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Bulgaria, Hungary, the Republic of Northern Macedonia and Montenegro, when they enter the Republic of Serbia from those countries of which they are citizens. Persons who are not citizens of this country, and you have granted temporary or permanent residence in these countries and which directly from these countries enter the Republic of Serbia, is allowed provided that within 48 hours, from the time of crossing the state border, delivery territorially reliable public health institute negative RT-PCR test or antigen test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus, issued by the reference laboratory of the Republic of Serbia.

The following does not apply:

- 1) to foreign citizens in transit through the Republic of Serbia. Transit for foreign citizens is limited to a period not longer than 12 hours from the moment of entry into the territory of the Republic of Serbia;
- 2) to the crew and cabin crew of the aircraft whose final destination is the Republic of Serbia;
- 3) crew, personnel and passengers in transit, i.e. transfer through international airports of the Republic of Serbia;

4) to accredited staff members of foreign diplomatic and consular missions and offices of international organizations, as well as members of their families who are holders of special identity cards, i.e. identification documents issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the General Secretariat of the Government;

5) to minors up to 12 years of age, if the parent, guardian or other person accompanying the child possesses the negative test referred to in item 2 of this Instruction, if necessary;

6) to foreign citizens who have been granted temporary residence or permanent residence in the Republic of Serbia;

7) members of foreign military, police and other security services who are in transit through the territory of the Republic of Serbia or come to the Republic of Serbia for the purpose of performing official tasks with prior notice;

8) to persons who have been fully vaccinated (vaccinated with two doses, ie with one dose - if they have been vaccinated with AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine) in the Republic of Serbia and who have a certificate issued by a health institution or body.

Also, it **does not apply to**:

- **foreign nationals when performing international transport, for the purpose of taking over or unloading goods or for the purpose of transporting persons in or through the Republic of Serbia, in the case of crews:**
 1. freight motor vehicles when performing international road transport. In the case of transit traffic, it is limited to a period not exceeding 12 hours from the moment of entry into the territory of the Republic of Serbia;
 2. cargo ships transporting goods to one of the domestic ports. In the case of transit navigation on the international waterway on the territory of the Republic of Serbia, it is limited to a period not exceeding 90 hours for ships and 60 hours for self-propelled vessels from the moment of entry into the territory of the Republic of Serbia in the case of upstream navigation. 72 hours for ship formations and 54 hours for self-propelled vessels from the moment of entering the territory of the Republic of Serbia in case of downstream navigation;
 3. buses in regular and international passenger transport, both in transit and in the case when the final or departure destination is the Republic of Serbia;
 4. railway vehicles and train staff;
 5. humanitarian convoys contracted through diplomacy.
- **citizens of neighboring countries from the border area who perform agricultural work and have agricultural land in the territory of the Republic of Serbia**, and who are obliged to have proof of ownership over agricultural land or a statement of the owner of agricultural land to perform agricultural work on that land. agricultural works on his land, subject to reciprocity.

- **citizens of neighboring countries who are residents of the border area and who are employed in the territory of the Republic of Serbia, to whom the employer from the Republic of Serbia has issued a document on employment, subject to reciprocity.**

ENTRY IN SERBIA FOR BUSINESS REASONS

Domestic and foreign citizens entering the Republic of Serbia for business reasons, with prior notification of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce, are allowed to enter the Republic of Serbia provided that they submit a negative RT-PCR test or antigen to the Serbian Chamber of Commerce within 24 hours of crossing the state border. test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus, issued by the reference laboratory of the Republic of Serbia.

The Chamber of Commerce of Serbia will submit the announcement of crossing the state border without delay to the Ministry of Internal Affairs - Border Police Administration, and no later than 24 hours before the expected crossing of the state border.

If a negative RT-PCR test or antigen test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus is not submitted within 24 hours of crossing the state border or if the test is positive for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus, the Serbian Chamber of Commerce delays shall be notified to the territorially competent public health institute.