COUNTRY: Austria
LAST UPDATE: 26/06/2020

As of June 15, measures in Austria have been relaxed. People now only need to wear a mask on public transport and in the health sector, such as in pharmacies, hospitals etc.

Restrictions

Entry to Austria (generic rules):

As of 16 June, the following applies: People entering Austria from the Schengen area and from the European non-Schengen countries (Andorra, Bulgaria, Ireland, Croatia, Monaco, Romania, San Marino, Vatican, United Kingdom and Cyprus) must provide a medical certificate, in German or English, proving that they have a negative COVID-PCR test result. The certificate must not be older than 4 days at the time of entry. As an alternative, a 14-day self-monitored home quarantine or quarantine in a suitable accommodation must be undertaken.

The entire regulation does not apply to people who enter Austria from the 32 European countries listed in Annex A and (cumulatively) have their residence or usual habitation in Austria or in one of these countries.

Entry from outside the Schengen area

People entering Austria must provide a medical certificate in German or English confirming a negative COVID-PCR test result (certificate must be not older than 4 days at entry) or undertake a 14-day self-monitored home quarantine or quarantine in a suitable accommodation (If quarantine is refused, entry will be prohibited). There is the possibility of free-testing during quarantine. The quarantine may be interrupted only in case an immediate departure from Austria is ensured. These provisions apply to: Austrian citizens, EU/EEA citizens, Swiss citizens and members of their families living in the same household, holders of an Austrian visa D or a photo identification card, in accordance with § 95 FPG (photo identification for holders of privileges and immunities in Austria) or persons with a right of residence or documentation of the right of residence, in accordance with
the Austrian Settlement and Residence Act or the Austrian Asylum Act, which authorises them to stay in Austria.

The following categories of third country nationals are allowed to enter the country from anywhere (whether or not they come from the Schengen area or from Andorra, Bulgaria, Ireland, Croatia, Monaco, Romania, San Marino, Vatican City, the United Kingdom and Cyprus):

- Members of staff from diplomatic missions and members of their families living in the same household.
- Employees of international organisations and members of their families living in the same household.
- Humanitarian aid workers.
- Nursing and health personnel.
- Seasonal workers in agriculture, forestry and tourism.
- Passengers in transit.
- Drivers engaged in freight transport.

Exemptions from testing and quarantine requirements

Upon entry, individuals are exempt from testing or quarantine requirements in case they are carrying out one of the following:

- Goods transport operations.
- Commercial transport operations.
- Repatriation trip or flight.
- Transfer journey or flight.

Driving bans

With effect from 18 May, weekend and holiday driving bans for trucks over 7.5t and trucks with trailers, has been reapplied. As of today, AISÖ has not received information concerning a summer driving ban calendar. Subject to neighbouring
countries’ behaviour, it is possible that, at best, a very short calendar could be issued.

**Austria-Italy:**

Since 16 June, Austria has opened its borders with Italy. All border crossings between Austria and Italy are open again. From this date, neither a negative SARS-CoV-2 test nor a 14 quarantine is required. Sporadic border controls continue to be carried out.

**Austria-Germany:**

Coming from Germany, entry into Austria has been possible since 4 June, without the obligation to have a medical certificate or the obligation to quarantine at home. There are no systematic border controls being carried out.

**Austria-Switzerland:**

Since 4 June, complete freedom of travel between Austria and Switzerland has been restored.

**Austria-Hungary:**

Since 5 June, there are no more border controls. However, border crossings between Austria (AT) and Hungary (HU) are only permitted at these official border crossing points: Klingenbach, Deutschkreuz, Nickelsdorf and Heiligenkreuz. Commercial traffic between AT and HU is not subject to restrictions anymore.

**Austria-Slovenia:**

All border crossings between Austria and Slovenia are open again, but only Slovenian and Austrian citizens are allowed to use them. All other citizens may only use the following border crossing points: Karawanken Tunnel, Loibltunnel and Spielberg Motorway, as well as Spielfeld Bahnhof, which only relevant to rail traffic.

The regulations are not applicable to the transport of goods or the carriage of goods. Freight transport runs smoothly across all open border crossings with the Republic of Slovenia; as long as the relevant documentation (order and delivery documents, note documents, driver's passport or ID card and proof of employment) are available.

**Austria-Slovakia:**
Borders are open and freedom of travel between Austria and Slovakia is restored. Since 4 June, individuals are free to enter Austria from Slovakia.

*Austria-Liechtenstein*

Since 4 June, border controls and health checks have been discontinued.

*Austria-Czech Republic:*

All border crossings between Austria and the Czech Republic are open.

*Relieves*

With effect from 18 May, the weekend and holiday driving ban for trucks over 7.5t and trucks with trailers, has been reapplied.

**SOURCE: AISÖ**