

COUNTRY: Norway

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Restrictions

As from 19 June, mandatory quarantine in Norway has been reduced from 14 to 10 days. This reduction applies to people travelling for work reasons and tourists that come from the following countries: Finland (including Åland), Denmark, Iceland, Greenland, The Faroe Islands and Svalbard. Due to the situation in Sweden, travellers from Sweden (except from Gotland) still have to quarantine for 10 days.

For work-related travel from countries outside the Nordic countries, 10 days of quarantine upon entry applies. People whose work is strictly necessary to maintain the proper operation of critical social functions, or to meet the basic needs of the population (including freight and passenger transport drivers) are exempt from the provision.

Members should be aware that drivers are exempted from quarantine in case they are travelling between their place of residence and their place of work, and during the time they are employed.

During their spare time, quarantine is compulsory.

More information can be found [here](#).

In an effort to reduce the spread of the coronavirus (Covid-19), the Norwegian border control measures will be extended for 90 days, after 15 May. The current measures in place involve the posting of police and military employees at border stations in order to control persons crossing the borders. It is important for truck drivers to have their passport and driving license readily available when crossing the border.

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On border crossings between Norway and neighbouring countries, controls and prioritisation of goods are the following:

- Goods transport to and from Norway is not restricted in any way.

- There are no extra queues reported at Norwegian border crossings.
- In addition to the standard customs procedures, the border control has been reinforced by representatives from the police and the army. Their main task is to check the identity of drivers (passport, driving licences, etc.).
- Prioritisation of goods: Companies who had previous arrangements with the Customs Directorate had some advantages related to customs procedures, but these advantages do not apply currently. There is an express customs procedure in place, but only at one border station. In general, there have been no new changes of priorities when it comes to border crossing.
- Normally border crossings for trucks on the Norwegian-Swedish and Norwegian-Finnish border are quick and efficient compared to most other countries. There has been no substantial change to this pattern since the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus.
- The exception is the Norwegian-Russian border which is currently closed.
- Norwegian quarantine provisions: These have not changed - everyone who enters the country must be in quarantine for 2 weeks, except for truck drivers who come by car and for truck drivers who come to work. Truck drivers can work, but must follow the quarantine rules when he/she is not working (in addition to all other measures to prevent infection).

As from 14 May, the relaxations of driving and rest time rules have ceased to apply in Norway. The government decided not to prolong them, therefore drivers operating in Norway should comply with the original provisions.

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