# Measures introduced in Slovakia related to COVID-19

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<td>- temporary exception from driving and rest times pursuant to Art. 14(2) of Regulation 561/2006</td>
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<td>- the ban on the operation of all international bus services and the ban on international bus transport across the territory of the Slovak Republic (regular and occasional).</td>
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<td>- derogation to Article 6(3): replacement of the maximum fortnightly driving limit of 90 hours with one of 96 hours;</td>
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<td>- during this period no international bus transport through the territory of the Slovak Republic shall be operated.</td>
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<td>- derogation to Article 8(1): reduction of the daily rest requirements from 11 to 9 hours;</td>
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**Passengers – national measure:**
- national bus services were limited according to the decision of the Central Crisis Staff of the Slovak Republic. This is the responsibility of self-governing regions and municipalities.
- the competent authorities and carriers have taken measures to ensure that all passengers are required to have protective equipments (face mask). The operation of the national bus service is according to the holiday schedules or, for example, the schedules in force on Saturday.
- some companies have even taken the measures that buses can only be accessed through the rear doors and the first 8 seats remain empty (exception for blind persons who are allowed to use front door). Tickets are recommended to be purchased through the mobile app, if available.

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**Taxi – national measure:**
- the ban on the operation of all taxi services except for the transport of goods,
- taxi drivers may carry medicines or groceries, for example to elderly people

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2. **Air transport**

**Goods**
- no restrictions for cargoflights (special measures prescribed by public health authorities of the Slovak Republic)

**Passengers:**
determined civil flights departing from the territory of another state and landing in the territory of the Slovak Republic have been banned

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| 13/3/2020              | 27/3/2020     | flights carried out in compliance with the relevant measures prescribed by public health authorities of the Slovak Republic:  
- cargo and postal flights,  
- flight engaged in a search and rescue mission (SAR flights),  
- fire-fighting flights (FFR flights),  
- rescue operations flights in emergencies,  
- flights operating on a humanitarian mission (HUM flights),  
- medical flights declared by medical authorities (HOSP flights),  
- technical and positioning flights of aircraft in the registry of aircraft of the Slovak Republic,  
- flights of the aircraft located outside the territory of the Slovak Republic with passengers on board who have temporary or permanent residence in the Slovak Republic. |

Other:

- The pilot-in-command or commander of the aircraft flying into the airspace of the Slovak republic and landing at the airport in the territory of the Slovak Republic has to hand over the general declaration after landing at the first airport in the territory of the Slovak republic.
- All passengers disembarking, including transfer passengers, at the airport in the Slovak Republic from the aircraft that conducts flight into the airspace of the Slovak Republic and lands at the airport in the territory of the Slovak Republic fulfill flight and personal data in the public health passenger locator form.

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Air carriers and other aircraft operators have to keep the data for identification and contact details of passengers and seating plans available to them for flights into the airspace of the Slovak Republic for minimum 30 days.

The pilot-in-command or commander is requested to report suspected COVID-19 cases on board, if possible before landing, to the air traffic control.

Operating hours of some international public aerodromes used mainly for commercial air transport changed or services at these aerodromes not provided or aerodrome category for rescue and fire fighting downgraded (NOTAMs regularly updated)

date depending on decision of aerodrome operator

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3. Rail transport

Goods:
- no restrictions for rail freight transport

Passengers:
- suspension of cross-border rail transport from/to Slovakia
  13/3/2020 until further notice

Passengers – national measure:
- reduction of domestic rail transport (timetable as on Saturday)
  14/3/2020 until further notice
- removal of restaurant cars and motorail cars from trainsets
  15/3/2020 until further notice
- reduction of sleeping cars from trainsets
  17/3/2020 until further notice
- closure of client and reservation centres
  16/3/2020 until further notice
| - suspension of Intercity trains | 18/3/2020 | until further notice | - full refund on the price of tickets and seat reservations bought before the introduction of the above measures | depending on the first day of ticket validity (from 12th March) | until further notice | the deadline for submitting the application was extended until 30th June |
| Other: | | | - intensive disinfection of wagons with chloride, interior disinfection with ozone | 9/3/2020 | | |

4. Water transport

**Goods:**
- Prohibition of landing/stoppage of cargo vessels that do not perform loading, unloading and transhipment works in ports and berths
- **Cargo vessels navigating in transit mode** may use the berths on the Danube waterway and its navigable tributaries if they need to comply with the regulations for the working regime of the crew. **It is forbidden for the vessel crew to come ashore in this case.** If necessary, it is possible to replenish fuel and water reserves. In this case, the crew must use personal protective equipment and avoid direct contact with personnel.
- cargo vessels in transit may use the berths on the Danube river and its navigable tributaries to comply with the vessel crew work regime;
- it is forbidden for the crew to disembark;

**Passengers:**
- prohibition of organizing and operating cruise and sightseeing cruises on waterways | 13/3/2020 | until further notice | - | | |

**Other:**
- **The landing, berthing and anchoring of all passenger cabin vessels is prohibited** on the Danube waterway and its navigable tributaries. Navigating through is only possible in transit mode, except for the need to replenish fuel and water supplies. In this case, the crew must use personal protective equipment and avoid direct contact with the personnel.

- Cargo vessels aiming at a port or a dock in the territory of the Slovak Republic may carry out loading, unloading and reloading work in these ports and docks without restrictions (crew members are obliged to comply with the measures specified in the decision of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic no. OLP/2567/2020)

- **Cargo vessels whose destination is a port or a berth in the territory of the Slovak Republic** for the purpose of carrying out loading, unloading and transhipping may perform such work without restriction. At the same time, the crew members are obliged to observe the provisions stated in the decree of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic no. OLP/2640/2020 of 18.03.2020 (hereinafter referred to as „OLP/2640/2020“). **Changing of crew members is possible in the ports of Bratislava and Komárno, if they are citizens of the Slovak Republic or citizens of other countries who have a permanent or temporary stay in the Slovak Republic for more than 90 days. The disembarked crew member are ordered to stay in a home isolation, away from persons sharing the household with them if possible (OLP/2640/2020).**

- **Replenishing of fuel and water supplies** is permitted to all vessels at places designated for this purpose.

- **Replenishing of food supplies** is only possible in the port of Bratislava and the port of Komárno for vessels

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<td>passenger cabin ships may cross the territory of the Slovak Republic only in transit;</td>
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whose destination is a port or a berth in the territory of the Slovak Republic. In case that the crew wants to supply food in the port of Bratislava or Komárno, this is only possible with the use of a mail order service and only between 7:00 and 19:00. In case of mail order service, the master of the vessel or a member of the vessel appointed by him shall inform the responsible employee of the relevant branch office of the Public Ports: in Bratislava (serving employee phone number +421 910 309 099 or Mrs. Caňová, phone number +421 910 915 940), in Komárno (Mrs. Lehoczka, phone number +421 911 309 095), who will subsequently direct the courier of the mail order service to the vessel.

- **Urgent and long-term planned repairs of vessels are permitted** with the emphasis on limiting crew contact with the personnel of repair services in accordance with the decree OLP/2640/2020.

- **Organizing and operating cruises and sightseeing cruises** on the waterways of the Slovak Republic is prohibited.

- **In case that pursuant to §39 (1) (p) of the Inland Navigation Act no. 338/2000 the navigation is stopped due to a flood**, all vessels are allowed to enter the public ports of the Slovak Republic according to the navigation regulation no. 155/2014.

5. **General Provisions**

- quarantine measures (14 days period of domestic quarantine/sick leave and notification obligation in case of return from abroad from 13/3/2020) 18/3/2020 until further notice

Exceptions for:
- freight transport drivers entering the territory of the Slovak Republic for the purposes of transportation, loading or unloading of goods;
- drivers and members of health services that transport a patient;
- employees of funeral services who carry out international transportation of human corpses;
| | | **flight crew members whose presence is necessary for carrying out a flight;**  
| | | **crew members of water freight transport entering the territory of the Slovak Republic for the purposes of transportation, loading or unloading of goods;**  
| | | **train drivers, technical engineers and crew members of freight transport entering the territory of the Slovak Republic for the purposes of carrying out international rail service;** |