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# Federal government enacts new entry regulations / coronavirus ordinance

#### State's entry quarantine no longer applies

## Health minister Manne Lucha: "I welcome standardized regulations / caution is still required"

On Wednesday May 12, the federal cabinet enacted new <u>entry regulations</u>, which will come into force tomorrow, Thursday. This means the obligation to quarantine after entry is regulated overall nationwide. The exceptions from mandatory quarantine that already apply in Baden-Württemberg upon entry from a risk area for vaccinated and recovered individuals are now applicable nationwide. The relevant coronavirus ordinance on entry quarantine (CoronaVO EQ) of the state of Baden-Württemberg is no longer in force.

Health minister Manne Lucha said "I very much welcome that the entry regulations have now been standardized by the federal government. There will also be more of a return to normality in border traffic with France or Switzerland. However, caution is still required. The pandemic is not over yet. With the relaxations that have now been adopted, things depend all the more on all of us being responsible."

What is new is that vaccinated and recovered individuals will be treated the same as those with a negative test certificate. However, this does not apply to those entering who have been in a virus variant area in the ten days prior to entry. They require a negative test upon entry, plus stricter regulations apply to the exceptions from the quarantine obligations.

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The quarantine period is still ten days in general but the quarantine can be terminated when entering from a normal risk area before a period of ten days by individuals who have recovered, been vaccinated or tested, if they have submitted the relevant proof via the entry portal (<u>www.einreiseanmeldung.de</u>). After a stay in any high incidence areas, testing can be carried out no sooner than five days after entry. A quarantine period of 14 days generally applies upon entry from a virus variant area.

In Baden-Württemberg, the 24-hour rule will apply without restrictions from tomorrow, so that quarantine-free entry is always possible. However, when entering from a high incidence area or virus variant area for less than 24 hours, a negative test must be brought and presented upon entry.

Besides this, there are no significant changes in Baden-Württemberg to the question of who must go into quarantine upon entry from a risk area. The previously applicable nationwide regulations on the obligation to register and present proof of testing upon entry remain essentially unchanged. The only new aspect is that the federal government has summarized the coronavirus entry ordinance and, in addition to mandatory registration and testing, it has also regulated quarantine obligations as well as integrate the regulations on transport bans from virus variant areas.

#### **Further information**

The registration, testing and quarantine obligations apply to those entering who have been in a risk area in the last ten days. The test must have been carried out no more than 48 hours prior to entry from high incidence areas and no more than 24 hours prior to entry from virus variant areas. A PoC rapid antigen test is sufficient. When testing using a PCR test, this may in future be up to 72 hours before. Those entering from "normal" risk areas must have a test certificate no later than 48 hours after they enter. The proof of a negative test must be kept for ten days and presented to the authorities responsible upon request. Children under the age of six are exempt from the obligation to test. People who are vaccinated and have recovered are exempt from the obligation to test when entering from "normal" risk areas and high incidence areas.

For cross-border commuters and residents, two negative tests per week are still sufficient.

**Up-to-date information** on the classification of risk areas, high incidence areas and virus variant areas can be found at: <u>www.rki.de/risikogebiete</u>.

Information on the recognition of diagnostic tests for SARS-CoV-2 upon entry into Germany from a risk area: <u>www.rki.de/covid-19-tests</u>