

Review of the measures in the field of Transport introduced in the Czech Republic related to COVID-19

Date: 23.3.2020

Measure related to :	Restriction period		Temporary exceptions	
	From	To	Type	Period
<p>Road transport:</p> <p>- No restrictions for road freight transport (transit, import, export, domestic) has been imposed, however due to the fact that the Czech Republic is a transit country, capacity problems on bottlenecks occurred (border crossings, around bigger cities).</p> <p>- Ban on entry or exit regarding the territory of the Czech Republic does not effect drivers involved in freight transport, including driver assistants (they have to possess a Driver Certificate of Professional Competence or other confirmation of worker in road transport and be employed by the same employer). Crew of the car which accompanies oversized and overweight vehicle is considered part of the vehicle crew. If a driver needs to travel to the Czech Republic in order to pick up a vehicle he will have to provide controlling authority on border with their Driver Certificate of Professional Competence. The above-mentioned persons will not be quarantined after returning from other country.</p>	14. 3. 2020	Until further notice	The Czech Republic decided to make use of temporary exceptions according to Art. 14(2) REGULATION (EC) No 561/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 15 March 2006 on the harmonisation of certain social legislation relating to road transport and amending Council Regulations (EEC) No 3821/85 and (EC) No 2135/98 and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3820/85. These exceptions regards driving time and rest periods and applies to all drivers involved in all transport of goods in the Czech Republic.	16.3.2020 – 14.4. 2020

<p>- Freight transport with vehicle below 3,5t, is not restricted and allowed on following conditions: Driver must be able to provide controlling authority on the border it is necessary to prove</p> <p>a) that it is a category N vehicle (in the form of document regarding vehicle's technical specifications),</p> <p>b) that the transport is carried out in connection with the carrier's business, whether for its own use or for use of a third party (in the form of document regarding the cargo, e.g. CMR, invoice, order)</p> <p>c) the relationship of the person driving the vehicle to the carrier (in the form of an employment contract or a Certificate for international transport workers)</p> <p>d) proof of carrier's business (in the form of e.g. copy of licence, copy of authorisation)</p> <p>- Forms of Certificate of international transport worker available in English on website https://www.mdcr.cz/Media/Media-a-tiskove-zpravy/Od-soboty-plati-mimoradna-opatreni-v-mezinarodni-d?lang=en-GB</p> <p>- The Czech Republic introduces so called "green lanes" for priority transfers for carriage of medical, sanitary materials and devices, live animals, perishable goods, mail and fuel designated for the continuous supply of fuel stations on border</p>			<p>In connection with current situation Sunday ban for trucks (13:00-22:00) has been lifted.</p> <p>Due to closing of several institutions and offices expired driver's licences and Driver Certificates of Professional Competence are considered valid.</p>	<p>14.3.2020 – Until further notice</p> <p>20.3.2020 – Until further notice</p>
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sections of its main motorways D1, D2, D5, D8 and D11 towards neighbouring states Germany, Poland, and Slovakia.				
Passenger Transport:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International bus services (regular and occasional) are suspended with exception of repatriation transport. Ban does not affect bus drivers while operating repatriation transport or transport of new vehicle without passengers. - The drivers will not be quarantined after returning from other country. - Domestic bus services are operable, but with reduced capacity. 	14. 3. 2020	Until further notice		
Rail Transport (passenger and freight):				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All international long-distance trains are stopped on border and no person can cross the border by train except following: a) train drivers; b) train crews; c) carriage inspectors; d) persons on repatriation transport (e.g. ukrainian citizens). 	14. 3. 2020	Until further notice		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The above-mentioned persons will not be quarantined after returning from other country. - Inland passenger train services are still operable, but with reduced capacity according to actual demand. Ticket control on board of the train is suspended while operating personel ensures safety on board. No food and beverages are sold on board of the trains. - There are no restrictions regarding rail freight transport (transit, import, export). 				
Civil Aviation:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ban on entry or exit regarding the territory of the Czech Republic does not effect transport aircraft crews which includes the crew and pilots of passenger aircrafts (for cargo or as repatriation transport) and cargo planes, as well as crews of flights for technical purposes (maintenance and service). - The above-mentioned persons will not be quarantined after returning from another country. - Civil air transport is limited to Václav Havel International Airport in Prague, which is the only one operable for passenger flights with Czech citizens, holder of a permanent 	14. 3. 2020	Until further notice		

<p>or temporary residence permit in the Czech republic, EU citizens transiting to their country and persons travelling in case of unforeseen emergency situation on board.</p> <p>- Transit of EU citizens and holders of permanent or temporary residence permit in other Member state is allowed while checked that connecting flight is available, however due to current situation there are hardly any transiting EU citizens who arrived in Prague airport.</p> <p>- Cargo transport is not restricted.</p>				
General conditions of entry and exit of persons:				
<p>- Checks are being carried out on borders with all neighbour states as follows:</p> <p>a) with Germany, with Austria - checks are operated by the Czech authorities;</p> <p>b) with Slovakia, with Poland - checks are operated by the Slovakian and the Polish authorities.</p> <p>Available border crossings with Germany</p> <p>Entry into the territory of the Czech Republic is allowed to the Czech citizens or persons with a temporary or permanent residence permit in the Czech Republic. The afore-mentioned are not allowed to exit the Czech Republic.</p>	16. 3. 2020	Until further notice		

<p>Ban on entry and exit have following exceptions:</p> <p>a) truck drivers, bus drivers, transport aircraft crews, train drivers, train crews and carriage inspectors, ship's captains and crew members, crews of vehicles of communications managers and a driver of a vehicle able to transport up to 9 persons, who is an employee of the same employer and who is transporting any of above-mentioned categories of persons to the place, where they are to perform the activity, or transport them back, and the empty journeys associated with those transportations;</p> <p>c) members of the mission under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and members of the consular posts under the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations accredited in the Czech Republic and officials of international organizations based in the Czech Republic registered with Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, including their family members;</p> <p>c) officials of international organizations in case of their necessary trips to the Czech Republic</p> <p>d) members of integrated rescue services, including mountain rescue service, and members of other components of integrated rescue services</p> <p>e) citizens of the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Poland, Germany or any EU citizens holding a residence permit in the</p>				
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<p>Czech Republic who regularly cross border with neighbour state for work-related reasons at least three times within a week cycle, within 100 km distance from border and are able to provide controlling authority on border crossing with the Cross-border worker booklet and confirmation, both documents and more information about them are available on website of Ministry of Interior of the Czech Republic (https://www.mvcr.cz/docDetail.aspx?docid=22240653&doc type=ART);</p> <p>f) experts in the fight against epidemics, humanitarian and medical aid, doctors and nurses working in the Czech Republic, who are EU citizens and are not cross-border workers in the sense of point e);</p> <p>g) members of the European Parliament;</p> <p>h) holders of diplomatic and service passports issued by the Czech Republic</p> <p>i) minors under the age of 18 if their parent is a citizen of the Czech Republic, and a parent of a minor under the age of 18 who is a Czech citizen</p> <p>j) persons travelling in case of unforeseen emergency situation, e.g. persons transferring blood, biological material, bone marrow for the purpose of transplantation or collection teams of transplantation centres transporting organs for transplantation, or persons undergoing surgery or serious medical treatment abroad because of their serious medical</p>				
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<p>conditions, childbirth (father's journey also allowed – must be proved), also funeral parlour workers transporting human remains or personnel transporting patients in an ambulance to another member state through or to the territory of the Czech Republic, farmers working in close proximity to the state border;</p> <p>k) staff of critical infrastructure, critical information infrastructure and other or related energy infrastructure and staff servicing critical infrastructure, including service of IRS equipment, etc. – see the confirmation sample on the website of the Ministry of the Interior;</p> <p>l) Czech citizen who are picking up their family member (children, parents, spouses) at the international airport who has to be able provide controlling authority with the flight ticket/boarding pass;</p> <p>m) EU citizen transiting through the territory of the Czech Republic to their home country with signed affidavit as an evidence of the transit</p> <p>n) foreigner with residence permit in another EU Member State transiting through the territory of the Czech Republic to their home country with signed affidavit as an evidence of the transit</p> <p>o) civil servants, members of the armed forces of the Czech Republic and soldiers in fulfilling an important task</p>				
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<p>- More information and updated list of available border crossings available on website of Ministry of Interior of the Czech Republic https://www.mvcr.cz/mvcren/article/temporary-reintroduction-of-border-control-at-internal-borders-of-the-czech-republic.aspx</p>				
<p>Useful links:</p>				
<p>- Updated information regarding the Emergency measures in international transport in the territory of the Czech Republic https://www.mdcrcz.cz/Media/Media-a-tiskove-zpravy/Od-soboty-plati-mimoradna-opatreni-v-mezinarodni-d?lang=en-GB</p> <p>- Updated information regarding the current state of traffic, accidents and closings on roads in the Czech Republic http://www.dopravniinfo.cz/</p> <p>- Updated information regarding the border crossings https://www.mvcr.cz/mvcren/article/temporary-reintroduction-of-border-control-at-internal-borders-of-the-czech-republic.aspx</p>				
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