



REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Ministry of Health

Minister of Health

ORDINANCE

No. РД-01-341 of 17 June 2020

Pursuant to Articles 61(2), 63(4), (5) and (11) and 63c of the Health Act, Article 73 of the Code of Administrative Procedure and in connection with the emergency epidemic situation declared by Council of Ministers Decision No 325 of 14 May 2020 and the proposal of the Chief State Health Inspector to introduce relevant measures on the territory of Bulgaria,

I HEREBY ORDER:

I. A temporary ban on entry in the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria shall be imposed and shall run as of 18 June 2020 until 30 June 2020, as follows:

1. A temporary ban on entry in the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria shall be imposed on all persons, irrespective of their nationality, using any and all border crossing points and any and all means of transport (air, marine, rail, or road transport).
2. The ban referred to in point 1 shall not apply to:
 - (a) Bulgarian citizens, citizens of EU Member States, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or of a country that is a party to the Schengen Agreement (including the Republic of San Marino, the Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State), the Republic of Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro, the members of the families of Bulgarian citizens and persons who are in an actual domestic partnership with a Bulgarian citizen, persons with the status of permanent, long-term or extended residence on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria and the members of their families; (b) medical professionals, medical researchers, social workers and their supervisors, where the purposes of their travel relate to the discharge of their professional obligations;
 - (c) workers engaged in deliveries of medicinal products, medical devices, personal protection equipment and medical equipment, including the latter's installation and maintenance;
 - (d) transport staff engaged in international passenger transport and haulage, crew on aircraft engaged in commercial air transport and other transport staff where necessary, including crew on vessels and persons involved in the maintenance of said vessels;
 - (e) foreign officials (heads of state, government ministers, etc.) and the members of their delegations, as well as diplomats, international organisation officials, military personnel, security and public order personnel and humanitarian workers in the course of discharging their professional obligations;
 - (f) persons traveling for humanitarian purposes;
 - (g) representatives of trade and economic investment activities and persons directly engaged in: construction, maintenance, exploitation and safety of strategic and critical infrastructure of the Republic of Bulgaria, engaged in the implementation of projects certified under the Investment Promotion Act and in conducting analyses of potential investment projects and other activities of importance to the economy of Bulgaria, where the capacity of said persons is duly certified by the Minister of Economy or the relevant portfolio Minister, including persons engaged in ship building and ship repair;

- (h) seasonal workers in the spheres of agriculture and tourism;
 - (i) workers in border regions.
3. As an exception to the ban referred to in point 1, transit across the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria may also be allowed to:
 - (a) citizens of EU Member States, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or of a country that is a party to the Schengen Agreement (including the Republic of San Marino, the Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State) and their family members wishing to return to their country of residence;
 - (b) third-country nationals holding a long-term residence permit issued for another EU Member State, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or a country that is a party to the Schengen Agreement (including the Republic of San Marino, the Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State) and their family members wishing to return to their country of residence;
 - (c) Serbian, Northern Macedonian, Bosnian and Herzegovina, Montenegrin, Turkish; Albanians and Kosovo nationals wishing to return to their countries of citizenship.
 4. Transit shall only be allowed where immediate departure from the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria can be guaranteed.
 5. All persons entering the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria from the Kingdom of Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Ireland, the Republic of Portugal, as well as all third countries with the exception of the Republic of Serbia, Bosnian and Herzegovina and Montenegro, Iceland, Kingdom of Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Republic of San Marino, Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State shall be placed under quarantine for 14 days at their homes or at the locations which these persons had indicated as their places of residence, by decision of the Director of respective Regional Health Inspectorate or a person duly authorised by him/her.
 6. Within the meaning of this order, the State from which the person arrives is the starting point of his departure, regardless of his stay or transit through other States during his movement
 7. An exception to the requirement for placement under quarantine of the persons described in item 5 may be made for:
 - (a) Bulgarian citizens and citizens of EU Member-States, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland or of countries that are parties to the Schengen Agreement (including the Republic of San Marino, the Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State) who are persons described in item 2, letters "f" and "g";
 - (b) bus drivers carrying out international transportation of passengers;
 - (c) truck drivers carrying out or completing international transportation of goods and cargoes.
 - (d) crew members of vessels who are Bulgarian citizens.
 - (e) persons described in item 2, letters "b", "c", "e", and "i", irrespective of their citizenship.
 8. The relevant Regional Health Inspectorate shall provide the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with information on any and all foreign nationals placed in quarantine (full name, date of birth, identity document number, nationality).
 9. The persons who are not quarantined and the persons transiting through the country's territory under item 3 shall submit to the border health control authorities a declaration in standard form – Annex No. 1 – whereby they shall assume the obligation to observe the

anti-epidemic measures adopted on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria under an ordinance by the Minister of Health, and shall declare that they are familiar with the risks associated with COVID-19.

10. Where drivers of heavy trucks transporting goods and cargo to be marketed in other countries are allowed to transit across the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria but cannot leave its territory owing to a ban imposed by a country neighbouring Bulgaria, a place at which the heavy truck and its driver can stay until the relevant ban is lifted shall be designated by the Road Infrastructure Agency (RIA).
11. The following special procedure shall apply to crew members on aircraft flying to and from public airports on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria:
 - (a) crew members on an aircraft servicing a flight from the Republic of Bulgaria to the territory of another country which has not had a layover on the territory of said country, except when on the tarmac (the apron position and the jet bridge) and where said layover was for the purposes of mandatory pre-flight preparations, and landing again in the Republic of Bulgaria shall not be subject to quarantine;
 - (b) crew members on an aircraft servicing a flight to the Republic of Bulgaria from the territory of another country shall be allowed on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria only if they do not leave the aircraft, except for the purposes of mandatory pre-flight preparations and where the time before their next planned flight does not exceed their flight duty period (FDP) but no more than twelve (12) hours;
 - (c) crew members on an aircraft servicing a flight to the Republic of Bulgaria to deliver said aircraft for the purposes of technical maintenance and its subsequent return, where said crew members are foreign nationals, shall be allowed on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria only if they do not leave the aircraft, except for the purposes of mandatory pre-flight preparations and where the time before their next planned flight does not exceed their flight duty period (FDP) but no more than twelve (12) hours;
 - (d) where a passenger aboard an aircraft that has landed on the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria is found to display symptoms of COVID-19, the crew that provided services to said passenger displaying symptoms of COVID-19 shall not be assigned to subsequent flights and shall be placed in mandatory quarantine for a period of 14 days according to instructions by the state health control authorities.

12. The Directors of the Regional Health Inspectorates repeal by order the issued prescriptions for quarantine of the persons who have entered the territory of the Republic from Republic of Ireland, Kingdom of Spain, Republic of Malta and Italy of Bulgaria from 02.06.2020 to 14.06.2020 inclusive.

13. The Directors of the Regional Health Inspectorates repeal by order the issued prescriptions for quarantine of the persons who have entered the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria from 05.06.2020 to 17.06.2020 inclusive, from Iceland, Kingdom of Norway, Switzerland, Principality of Liechtenstein, Republic of San Marino, Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco and the Vatican City State from the Republic of Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro in which the reason for quarantine was not contact with a person with COVID-19.

II. Ordinance No. ПД-01-338 of 13 June 2020 by the Minister of Health is hereby repealed.

III. This Ordinance shall be communicated to the Directors of Regional Health Inspectorates, the Minister of Interior, the Minister of Transport, Information Technology and Communications, the Minister of Regional Development and Public Works, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Economy for information purposes and to ensure oversight over the implementation of the measures herein. It shall further be published on the website of the Ministry of Health.

This Ordinance shall be subject to appeal before the relevant administrative court within one month of it being published on the website of the Ministry of Health according to the procedure set out in

the Administrative Procedure Code.

[Signature]

KIRIL ANANIEV

Minister of Health

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In connection with the COVID-19 pandemic declared by the World Health Organization,

I, Mr/Mrs.....

(full name of the person)

hereby DECLARE that:

1. I do not have the symptoms of COVID-19.
2. I have not been placed under quarantine.
3. I am aware of the epidemiologic situation in the Republic of Bulgaria and of the risks associated with COVID-19.
4. I undertake to observe the anti-epidemic measures for the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria introduced by an ordinance or by ordinances of the Minister of Health.
5. I am traveling at my own risk.
6. Purpose of travel:
7. I hereby undertake to leave the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria without delay [this refers only to persons transiting the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria].
8. I am liable for the provision of untrue data under the laws of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Contact data:

No. of Personal ID Card or Passport:.....

Mobile phone number:.....

e-mail:.....

DATE:

SIGNATURE: