Estonia

Travelling to Estonia
Entry is allowed without restrictions from Finland, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, San Marino, Slovakia, and the Vatican.

An updated list of countries for which entry to Estonia is subject to limitations is available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs website.

Travelling from Estonia or returning to Estonia
Estonian citizens, their family members and residents are allowed entry regardless of whether or not they show symptoms of the disease.

Rules and Exceptions
No restrictions are imposed on travellers coming from or transiting through countries where the coronavirus infection incidence rate is below 16 cases per 100,000 inhabitants over the last 14 days.

Restriction on freedom of movement means that the concerned individuals are obliged to refrain from unnecessary contacts for 14 days from their arrival in Estonia and are allowed to leave their place of residence or accommodation only for medical visits, shopping for food, essentials and medicines, and for emergencies.

A two-week restriction on freedom of movement is mandatory for everyone showing symptoms.

Starting from 1 September, the restriction on the freedom of movement can be replaced by a COVID-19 test, except in cases where the traveller arrives in Estonia for work or studies from a third country that is not included on the common EU list. In case of a negative test result, the restriction on the freedom of movement still applies for the first seven days. All restrictions are removed after a second test, performed not earlier than 7 days after the first one, also provides a negative result.

Residents of Australia, Canada, Georgia, Japan, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand, Tunisia, and Uruguay are allowed to enter Estonia, if they show no symptoms.

Mandatory Travel Documentation
No.

Find out more:
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Source: https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/EST
Entry into Estonia

Estonia applies restrictions depending on the epidemiological situation. Consult the website about border crossing, quarantine measures and exemptions.

Start date: 01.06.2020


Source: https://ec.europa.eu/transport/coronavirus-response_en

Source: WCO/Estonian Tax and Customs Board

14.04.2020

Border traffic

Currently all border crossing points are open. Entry is allowed for vehicles of international carriage of goods (including food and medical supplies) as well as for providers of vital services, e.g. suppliers of fuel.

Estonia is allowing the transit of foreign nationals on their way to their home countries, provided that they are not having symptoms of the COVID-19 virus.

The Government of Estonia has not imposed a ban on exiting the country.

The temporary restrictions on crossing the state border will remain in effect until the relevant order is amended, and the necessity is assessed every two weeks at the latest.

ATA Carnet

Estonia follows the common European Union rules and has not implemented any additional measures for ATA Carnets. In cases where the goods under temporary importation can not be re-exported within the foreseen deadline because of COVID-19 pandemic, the customs authority has to be informed about the necessity to prolong the deadline. In exceptional cases customs can prolong the deadline. However, if possible, we recommend to close the ATA Carnet and place the goods covered by ATA Carnet under customs warehousing procedure.

More information can be found at: https://www.emta.ee/eng/business-client/customs-trade-goods/classification-customsauthorities
https://www.koda.ee/en

Health security procedures

All the border crossing points are equipped with disinfection materials. Border controls include the inspection of travel documents and checking for symptoms.

More detailed information

Tax and Customs Board: https://www.emta.ee/eng/offices
Estonian Police and Border Guard Board: https://www.politsei.ee/en/instructions/emergencysituation

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

18.06.2020

As of 1 June, the Estonian borders have been reopened for people arriving from European countries.

Concerning arrivals in Estonia, no self-isolation at home is required if people:

· arrive from a EU Member State, a Schengen country or the UK,
· show no symptoms,
· have stayed in one of the countries mentioned above, where the infection rate has been below 15 persons per 100.000 inhabitants during the past 14 days.

More information can be found on the Government website (Estonian, English and Russian).

Source: ERAA

15.05.2020

Baltic states (Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania) have decided that free movement between the three Baltic states will be restored on 15 May for residents of Estonia, Lithuania, and Latvia, and for people staying there legally, provided that they show no symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) (more information here).

From 14 May, new border crossing procedures come into force between Estonia and Finland. Those with a Finnish citizenship, residence permit, or whose permanent residence is in Finland, according to the population register, can now come to Estonia more frequently for work or studies or for family reasons without being required to stay in isolation, provided that they have no symptoms of the virus (more information here).

A special website has been created to share all information on the emergency situation in Estonia. Information is available in Estonian, English, and Russian.

Source: ERAA

18.03.2020

The government has decided to restrict the crossing of the Schengen internal and external border temporarily, and to reintroduce border controls in order to contain the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Only citizens of Estonia and holders of Estonian residency permits (or rights of residence) can enter Estonia, as well as foreign citizens with family members living in the country.

International road freight is exempt.

Foreigners are allowed to transit Estonia if travelling to their home country as long as they are not showing symptoms of COVID-19.

At the border control, travel documents and medical symptoms will be checked.

There are no restrictions for exiting the country.

The border control was reintroduced on 17 March 2020. The temporary restriction of border crossing will be in force until further notice, and the situation will be reviewed every two weeks.

Source: ERAA
Temporary reintroduction of border controls (15.03.2020)

The government decided to reintroduce border controls temporarily on all state borders to stop the spread of coronavirus. From 17 March onwards, only Estonian citizens and residents can enter the country, including people with the temporary residence permit or right of residence.

Start date: 17.03.2020
End date: not available


Quarantine for 14 days for everyone coming into the country (16.03.2020)

Estonia has ordered a 14-day restriction of movement for people arriving in Estonia from abroad. From the day of arrival in Estonia it is prohibited for the person to leave home or place of stay during 14 days. Within the two weeks after arrival in Estonia the person can leave home or place of stay only at the request of medical worker or police or in case of an emergency that is threatening the person’s life or health.

Start date: 16.03.2020
End date: not available