

# Sweden



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## From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

**No**

Sweden adopts its own national classification of risk areas, hence travel restrictions for Sweden are not based on the common "EU Traffic Lights" map.

The Government has decided to extend the general entry ban for foreign citizens who cannot present a negative COVID-19 test result on arrival in Sweden until 31 May 2021.

Citizens from EU Member States and Schengen Associated countries, and their family members, as well as people with Swedish residence permits, are allowed to enter Sweden at the conditions specified hereafter.

### Is a coronavirus test required?

All travellers are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative COVID-19 test**. The test must be taken within **48 hours prior to arrival**.

Accepted tests: **antigen, TMA, PCR, LAMP**

Children aged **17 and under** are exempted.

The following information must appear on the certificate:

- name of the person who has been tested
- date/time of the test
- type of test
- the test result
- Issuer of the certificate

The information must be clearly stated in Swedish, English, Norwegian or Danish.

Exemptions are available for cross-border workers and some other categories.

If you got tested before your departure for Sweden, you do not have to get tested again in connection with your arrival, but you should still get tested **5 days after your arrival**.

### Is a quarantine required?

A quarantine is not required.

### Mandatory Travel Documentation

Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is not a general requirement for entering Sweden.

## Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

15.02.2021

### COVID -19 update: Exemption for individuals working with the transportation of goods

There are exemptions for individuals working with the transportation of goods.

See the detailed list of exemptions [here](#).

The exception applies to foreign personnel transporting goods and other personnel in the transport sector. This refers to personnel who perform transports regardless of which goods are being transported and regardless of which destination the transport has.

Thus, the temporary entry restrictions do not apply to transport staff, even when traveling to or from their vehicle, aircraft or ship (to perform or after completing a transport). The exception also covers professional drivers whose vehicles and cargo that are already in Sweden. As part of this transport exemption, it is also considered that empty transports can be covered if they are part of the transport chain. Truck drivers must be able to present Community and driver licenses in order to be covered by the exemption for transport

**Source: The Swedish Bus and Coach Federation, part of Transportföretagen/The Swedish Confederation of Transport Enterprises and The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise.**

12.02.2021

### COVID-19 update: Overview of the restrictions in Sweden

#### For Swedish citizens

- Can enter Sweden.
- Should follow the the Public Health Agency of Sweden's recommendations for everyone travelling to Sweden from abroad.

**Foreign citizens who are residents according to the Swedish Population Registry, hold a valid residence permit, residence right or residence status.**

- Exempted from the entry ban.
- Exempted from the requirement to present a negative Covid-19 test.
- Should follow the the Public Health Agency of Sweden's recommendations for everyone travelling to Sweden from abroad.

#### Entry from an EEA (European Economic Area) country

- Negative test result documenting that the holder does not have an ongoing covid-19 infection, is required.
- No further entry bans are enforced.
- Should follow the the Public Health Agency of Sweden's recommendations for everyone travelling to Sweden from abroad.

#### Entry from a non-EEA country

- Negative test result documenting that the holder does not have an ongoing covid-19 infection, is required.
- Must be covered by at least one exemption to the general entry ban.

#### Find out more:

[Questions and answers about the entry ban to Sweden - Government.se](#)  
[International travel restrictions - Krisinformation.se](#)

## What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

The Government has decided to extend the general entry ban for foreign citizens until 31 May 2021.

A temporary ban on non-essential travel to the EU via Sweden, introduced following a call from the European Council and the European Commission, has been in effect since March 2020. Since February 2021 it also includes a requirement of a negative COVID-19 test result for entry into Sweden. The ban includes certain exemptions.

To travel to Sweden from countries outside the EU/ EEA, you must be covered by at least one of the exemptions from the entry ban and also be able to present a negative COVID-19 test, or be exempt from the test requirement.

The entry ban does not apply to:

- EU and Schengen Associated Countries citizens and their family members;
- permanent residents or holders of a residence permit in Sweden or another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country;
- People who have a national visa in Sweden or a national visa valid longer than three months in another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country;
- People who have family ties as specified under the Aliens Act (2005:716).

Entry in Sweden is allowed for foreigners who reside in the following countries: **Australia, New Zealand, Rwanda, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand.**

Entry to Sweden from the UK is subject to the same rules that apply to other third countries outside the EU/EEA area. In practice, this means that an entry ban and the requirement of a negative COVID-19 test result for people arriving from the UK will remain in effect, with certain exemptions.

British citizens and their family members who have applied for residence status are exempt from the entry ban and test requirement on entry to Sweden from countries outside the EU/EEA.

#### Find out more:

[polisen.se](#)  
[Questions and answers about the entry ban to Sweden - Government.se](#)

## May I transit this country?

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

- Should follow the the Public Health Agency of Sweden's recommendations for everyone travelling to Sweden from abroad.

#### Entry from Denmark, Norway or the UK

- Negative test result documenting that the holder does not have an ongoing covid-19 infection, is required.

- Must be covered by at least one exemption to the stricter entry ban.

- Should follow the the Public Health Agency of Sweden's recommendations for everyone travelling to Sweden from abroad.

See [here](#) for the full information in English.

**Source: The Swedish Bus and Coach Federation, part of Transportföretagen/The Swedish Confederation of Transport Enterprises and The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise.**

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22.01.2021

Issues at Denmark - Sweden Border resolved

Denmark - Sweden

SÅ, NLF and DTL , IRU associations in the Nordics, after contacting their respective authorities, have now confirmed that carriers of goods **shall be allowed to transit Sweden and / or travel back** after delivering the goods regardless of the final destination.

This news comes in a context , where some truck drivers were denied entry into Sweden from Denmark in the past few days.

A link to the relevant legislation, where it is underlined that persons transporting goods from Sweden to Denmark are exempted from the travel ban can be accessed [here](#) (in Swedish).

**Source: DTL**

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26.05.2020

On 25 May, it was confirmed that relaxations of driving and rest times rules currently in place in Sweden will not be extended further. Therefore, as from 00:00 on 1 June, normal driving and rest time periods will apply.

More information can be found [here](#).

**Source: DTL**

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09.04.2020

The Swedish Transport Agency states that Sweden plans to adopt a temporary and limited relaxation on the enforcement of driving and rest times for the **drivers of vehicles transporting all types of goods and transport of passengers.**

This temporary relaxation applies **from 15 April 2020 and will run until 31 May 2020**. This relaxation is granted pursuant to Article 14 (2) of the [EU Regulation 561/2006](#). It will apply to all drivers, irrespective of their nationality, when operating on the Swedish territory.

For the above-mentioned category of drivers, the following provisions will be temporarily relaxed as follows:

- Derogation to Article 6(1) of Regulation 561/2006: replacement of the maximum daily driving limit of 9 hours with one of 11 hours.

- Derogation to Article 6(2) of Regulation 561/2006: replacement of the maximum weekly driving limit of 56 hours with one of 60 hours.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

## General measures

From 14/12/2020, regional advice will be replaced by stricter national regulations and general advice, according to the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

From 19/12/2020, all non-essential public services run by the state, regions and municipalities are closed (this includes swimming pools, sports centres and museums).

Schools for over-16s will continue online classes until 24/1/2021.

Employers are asked to let non-essential staff work from home until 24/1/2021.

## Use of facemasks

There is no general requirement to wear a face mask in normal social situations, in public places, and in public transport. However, Swedavia Airports recommends passengers to use face masks at their airports. Face masks must always be seen as complementary to other recommendations: stay at home when you have symptoms, wash your hands regularly and keep at a distance from others.

New guidelines for face masks will be presented by the Public Health Agency before 7/1/2021. They will specify which face masks to use and at what times they should be used.

More details are available [here](#)

## Physical Distancing

The general guidelines require to maintain social distancing (1.5 metres) from people other than those you live with. You should refrain from certain kinds of activity that cannot be performed while physically distanced from others. This may refer to: certain sporting activities, such as contact sports like wrestling, ice hockey and basketball; private events such as parties, weddings, dinner parties and after-work events; health and beauty treatments that are not medically justified, such as massages, pedicures, haircuts, etc.

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/SWE/7001>

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31.03.2021

**From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?**

- Derogation to Article 6(3) of Regulation 561/2006: replacement of the maximum fortnightly driving limit of 90 hours with one of 120 hours.

- No derogation to Article 7 of Regulation 561/2006.

- Derogation to Article 8(1) of Regulation 561/2006: reduction of the regular daily rest requirements from 11 to 9 hours.

- Derogation to Article 8(6) of Regulation 561/2006: reduction of the regular weekly rest period from 45 hours to 24 hours.

- Derogation to Article 8(8) of Regulation 561/2006: possibility for the driver to take the regular weekly rest shorter than 45 hours in the vehicle, as long as it has suitable sleeping facilities for each driver and the vehicle is stationary.

**Source: Transportföretagen**

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16.03.2020

The Sweden government has taken measures introducing social distancing to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). For eight transport activities within, to and from Sweden are not impacted by these measures.

As of March 16th, the Swedish Transport Agency is granting a temporary tolerance concerning the enforcement of driving and resting times rules for freight operations according to [EU Regulation No. 561/2006](#). Exemptions in Sweden apply to daily rest time (minimum 9 hours), weekly rest time (minimum 24 hours) and driving time as long as breaks are taken after a maximum of 4,5 hours driving time. Exemptions are valid for 30 days and are valid for all types of transports (i.e. goods, bus and coach), provided that road safety is not affected [be impaired] when transport companies make use of these exemptions.

**Sources: SA and Stoneridge Electronics**

**NO**

Sweden adopts its own national classification of risk areas, hence travel restrictions for Sweden are not based on the common "EU Traffic Lights" map.

Citizens from EU Member States (with the exception of Denmark) and Schengen Associated countries (with the exception of Norway), and their family members, as well as people with Swedish residence permits, are allowed to enter Sweden at the conditions specified hereafter.

Until 31 March, Sweden enforces a stricter entry ban from Denmark and Norway. Foreigners coming from Denmark are allowed to enter Sweden if they live or work in Sweden. Exceptions apply to people who live on Bornholm and travel, via Sweden, between Bornholm and another part of Denmark, as well as to health and medical personnel who shall perform work on Bornholm and personnel who shall perform health and medical transports. Other than those exemptions, only Swedish citizens are allowed to enter Sweden from Denmark.

From 31 March, Danish and Norwegian citizens can enter under the same requirements as other EU/EEA nationals.

#### **Is a coronavirus test required?**

All travellers are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative COVID-19 test**. The test must be taken within **48 hours prior to arrival**. Accepted tests: antigen, TMA, PCR, LAMP. Children aged 17 and under are exempted.

The following information must appear on the certificate:

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The information must be clearly stated in Swedish, English, Norwegian or Danish.

Exemptions are available for cross-border workers and some other categories.

If you got tested before your departure for Sweden, you do not have to get tested again in connection with your arrival, but you should still get tested **5 days after your arrival**.

#### **Is a quarantine required?**

A quarantine is not required.

#### **Mandatory Travel Documentation**

Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is not a general requirement for entering Sweden.

#### **Find out more:**

[International travel restrictions - Krisinformation.se](#)

[Documents you need to travel in Europe](#)

## What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Until 31 May 2021, there is an entry ban for non-essential travel to Sweden from countries outside the EU.

The entry ban does not apply to:

- EU and Schengen Associated Countries citizens and their family members;
- permanent residents or holders of a residence permit in Sweden or another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country;
- People who have a national visa in Sweden or a national visa valid longer than three months in another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country;
- People who have family ties as specified under the Aliens Act (2005:716).

Entry in Sweden is allowed for foreigners who reside in the following countries: **Australia, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea and Thailand.**

A [temporary entry ban](#) applies to all passengers arriving from the UK. UK nationals who can demonstrate that they live or work in Sweden or have urgent family reasons are [exempt](#). Swedish citizens are also exempt.

Travellers to Sweden from the UK who are exempt from the entry ban will have to show a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours prior to arrival in Sweden. Holders of Swedish passports do not have to do this.

Citizens of other countries who have particularly urgent needs or who are to carry out essential functions in Sweden can also be allowed entry. This includes an exemption for students and highly skilled professionals, amongst others. For more information.

**Find out more:**  
[polisen.se](https://polisen.se)

### May I transit this country?

**YES**

### May I enter this country by road transport?

**YES**

[Driving abroad](#)

### May I enter this country by train?

**YES**

[Rail passenger rights](#)

## **May I enter this country by sea transport?**

**YES**

[Ship passenger rights](#)

## **May I fly to this country?**

You can find the latest information on air travel regulations for this country on the [IATA website](#).

You can also find information about [air passenger rights](#) on our portal for citizens.

## **General measures**

From 14/12/2020, regional advice will be replaced by stricter national regulations and general advice, according to the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

From 19/12/2020, all non-essential public services run by the state, regions and municipalities are closed (this includes swimming pools, sports centres and museums).

Schools for over-16s will continue online classes until 24/1/2021.

Employers are asked to let non-essential staff work from home until 24/1/2021.

[Health cover for temporary stays](#)

## **Use of facemasks**

There is no general requirement to wear a face mask in normal social situations, in public places, and in public transport. However, Swedavia Airports recommends passengers to use face masks at their airports. Face masks must always be seen as complementary to other recommendations: stay at home when you have symptoms, wash your hands regularly and keep at a distance from others.

New guidelines for face masks will be presented by the Public Health Agency before 7/1/2021. They will specify which face masks to use and at what times they should be used.

More details are available [here](#)

## Physical Distancing

The general guidelines require to maintain social distancing (1.5 metres) from people other than those you live with. You should refrain from certain kinds of activity that cannot be performed while physically distanced from others. This may refer to: certain sporting activities, such as contact sports like wrestling, ice hockey and basketball; private events such as parties, weddings, dinner parties and after-work events; health and beauty treatments that are not medically justified, such as massages, pedicures, haircuts, etc.

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/SWE/7001>

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28.01.2021

## From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

### Partially

Sweden adopts its own national classification of risk areas, hence travel restrictions for Sweden are not based on the common "EU Traffic Lights" map.

Citizens from EU Member States (with the exception of Denmark) and Schengen Associated countries, and their family members, as well as people with Swedish residence permits, are allowed to enter Sweden without restrictions.

From 22 December 2020 till 21 January 2021 Sweden enforces a stricter entry ban from Denmark, including all foreign citizens except personnel transporting goods or passengers, foreign diplomats or consular staff and their families and staff, foreign couriers, people working in or for an international organisation and people with urgent family reasons.

Foreigners coming from Denmark are allowed to enter Sweden if they live or work in Sweden. Exceptions also apply to people who live on Bornholm and travel, via Sweden, between Bornholm and another part of Denmark, as well as to health and medical personnel who shall perform work on Bornholm and personnel who shall perform health and medical transports. Other than those exemptions, only Swedish citizens will be allowed to enter Sweden from Denmark.

### Is a coronavirus test required?

NO.

### Is a quarantine required?

NO.

## Mandatory Travel Documentation

Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is not a general requirement for entering Sweden.

### Find out more:

[krisinformationen.se](https://krisinformationen.se)

[Documents you need to travel in Europe](#)

## What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

A [temporary entry ban](#) applies to all passengers arriving from the UK. UK nationals who can demonstrate that they live or work in Sweden or have urgent family reasons are [exempt](#). Swedish citizens are also exempt. The ban is in place since 21 December. The exemption for those living or working in Sweden, or with urgent family reasons, applies from 23 December until 21 January 2021.

As of 1 January, travellers to Sweden from the UK who are exempt from the entry ban will have to show a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours prior to arrival in Sweden. Holders of Swedish passports do not have to do this.

The Swedish government recommends that all passengers who arrived in Sweden from the UK since 12 December should self-isolate for seven days. They should also take a PCR test on the day of arrival and after five days. More information is available from the [Swedish Public Health Agency](#).

See also:

[Commission adopts Recommendation on EU coordinated approach to travel and transport in response to a new variant of coronavirus in the UK \(22 December 2020\)](#)

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The Swedish government has decided to stop all non-essential travel to Sweden from countries outside the EU. **This ban will be in effect until 31 March 2021.**

The entry ban does not apply to citizens and their families from EU Member States or Schengen Associated Countries. Moreover, the ban does not apply if you are a permanent resident or hold a residence permit in Sweden or another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country. The entry ban also does not apply to people who have a national visa in Sweden or a national visa valid longer than three months in another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country. Finally, the ban does not apply to people who have family ties as specified under the Aliens Act (2005:716).

There are also several other exceptions, like foreigners who reside in the following countries: Australia, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand, and Uruguay.

Citizens of other countries who have particularly urgent needs or who are to carry out essential functions in Sweden can also still be allowed entry. This includes exemption for students and highly skilled professionals, amongst others. For more information, please visit [polisen.se](https://polisen.se)

## May I transit this country?

Yes

## May I enter this country by road transport?

Yes

## May I enter this country by train?

Yes

## May I enter this country by sea transport?

Yes

## General measures

From 14/12/2020, regional advice will be replaced by stricter national regulations and general advice, according to the Public Health Agency of Sweden.

From 19/12/2020, all non-essential public services run by the state, regions and municipalities are closed (this includes swimming pools, sports centres and museums).

Schools for over-16s will continue online classes until 24/1/2021.

Employers are asked to let non-essential staff work from home until 24/1/2021.

[Health cover for temporary stays](#)

## Use of facemasks

There is no general requirement to wear a face mask in normal social situations, in public places, and in public transport. However, Swedavia Airports recommends passengers to use face masks at their airports. Face masks must always be seen as complementary to other recommendations: stay at home when you have symptoms, wash your hands regularly and keep at a distance from others.

New guidelines for face masks will be presented by the Public Health Agency before 7/1/2021. They will specify which face masks to use and at what times they should be used.

More details are available [here](#)

## Physical Distancing

The general guidelines require to maintain social distancing (1.5 metres) from people other than those you live with. You should refrain from certain kinds of activity that cannot be performed while physically distanced from others. This may refer to: certain sporting activities, such as contact sports like wrestling, ice hockey and basketball; private events such as parties, weddings, dinner parties and after-work events; health and beauty treatments that are not medically justified, such as massages, pedicures, haircuts, etc.

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22.01.2021

## Temporary entry ban to Sweden

The Swedish Government has decided to stop non-essential travel to Sweden from countries outside the EU. This ban will be in effect until March 31. This ban has been introduced to mitigate the effects of the coronavirus outbreak, and to reduce the spread of Covid-19.

The entry ban does not apply to citizens and their families from EU/EEA countries and Switzerland. Moreover, the ban does not apply if you are a permanent resident or hold a residence permit in Sweden or another EU country, or if you have a national visa in Sweden.

- [Information from the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs about the entry ban](#)

Exceptions can also be made for people with particularly urgent needs. The exemption will also apply to seasonal workers employed in agriculture, forestry and horticulture.

Swedish border control officials determine the manner in which the exceptions should be interpreted and the decisions that should be taken.

- [Information about the Swedish travel restrictions from the Police](#)
- [Frequently asked questions about the temporary entry ban to the EU via Sweden](#)
- [Information about travelling to Sweden from Visit Sweden \(Sweden's official website for tourism and travel information\)](#)

## From Europe

A temporary ban on entry to Sweden for nationals from the UK and Denmark is in effect.

Exceptions may be made, such as for:

- Anyone working or living in Sweden can enter from Denmark.
- Children going to meet parents living in Sweden and their escort.
- Those travelling in health service vehicles.

Foreign nationals traveling from the United Kingdom who must also be able to show a negative test result before being allowed to enter Sweden.

## If you have recently been abroad

New variants of the virus that causes Covid-19 have been discovered in the UK, Brasil, and South Africa. If you have been in those countries recently, you should:

- stay at home for at least seven days
- avoid contact with others as much as possible
- get tested as soon as possible after arriving in Sweden and get a follow-up test after five days.

Others in your household should also remain at home while awaiting the test result.

## Travelling abroad

An advisory against non-essential travel to countries outside the EU is in effect until 31 January 2021.

- [Information from the Swedish Government about the travel advisory](#)
- [Information from the EU about travelling restrictions in European countries](#)

## Travel certificates and health statements

There is no quarantine requirement for travellers to Sweden. Swedavia Airports recommends passengers to use face masks at their airports. Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is no general requirement for entering Sweden.

Pay close attention to the information given by your airline – many airline companies require you to wear a face mask on board.

- [Information about tests in Sweden](#)

Source: <https://www.krisinformation.se/en/hazards-and-risks/disasters-and-incidents/2020/official-information-on-the-new-coronavirus/travel-restrictions>

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23.12.2020

## From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

Yes

## Entry Restrictions

Citizens from EU Member States + Schengen Associated countries, and their family members, as well as people with Swedish residence permits, are allowed to enter Sweden without restrictions.

## Mandatory Travel Documentation

Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is not a general requirement for entering Sweden.

**Find out more:**

## What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

The Swedish government has decided to stop non-essential travel to Sweden from countries outside the EU. This ban will be in effect until 22.12.2020.

The entry ban does not apply to citizens and their families from EU Member States + Schengen Associated countries. Moreover, the ban does not apply if you are a permanent resident or hold a residence permit in Sweden or another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country. The entry ban also does not apply to people who have a national visa in Sweden or a national visa valid longer than three months in another EU Member State or Schengen Associated country. Finally, the ban does not apply to people who have family ties as specified under the Aliens Act (2005:716).

There are also several other exceptions, like foreigners who reside in the following countries: Australia, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand, and Uruguay.

Citizens of other countries who have particularly urgent needs or who are to carry out essential functions in Sweden can also still be allowed entry. This includes exemption for students and highly skilled professionals, amongst others. For more information, please visit [polis.se](http://polis.se)

## May I transit this country?

Yes

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11.09.2020

### Travelling to Sweden

EU citizens and their family members, and people with Swedish residence permits, are allowed to enter Sweden without restrictions.

Citizens from Norway, Iceland, Switzerland and Liechtenstein are allowed to enter Sweden without restrictions.

### Travelling from Sweden or returning to Sweden

The Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs has issued an advisory against non-essential travel to many countries. No such advice is in place for the following countries: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Switzerland, Spain and the Vatican.

The reasons for the advice against non-essential travel to some countries are the spread of the new coronavirus and the uncertainty that currently applies to foreign travel.

### Rules and Exceptions

There is no quarantine requirement for travellers to Sweden.

### **Mandatory Travel Documentation**

Airline operators may require passengers to show a health statement but this is no general requirement for entering Sweden.

### **Third-country nationals**

Sweden has imposed a temporary entry ban to non-essential travels to Sweden across an external border,

meaning from other countries than the EU/EEA, except the UK or Switzerland. **The decision is currently in effect until 31/10/20 (inclusive).**

The ban does not apply to Swedish citizens, nor does it apply to travels inside the EU/EEA area.

There are also several other exceptions, like foreigners who reside in the following select countries: Australia, Georgia, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand, Tunisia and Uruguay.

Citizens of other countries who have particularly urgent needs or who are to carry out essential functions in Sweden can also still be allowed entry. The latest change even includes exemption for students and highly skilled professionals, amongst others.

For more information, please visit [polisen.se](https://polisen.se)

### **Links to national sources**

[krisinformationen.se](https://krisinformationen.se)

[Driving abroad](#)

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/SWE>



**Source: WCO/Swedish Customs**

25.03.2020

Information based on the recommendations of the Public Health Agency is spread throughout the organisation on a regular basis. This include to stay at home if you have any symptoms and to wash your hands with soap and water regularly. Employees that have duties that can be done from home are to work from home. Swedish Customs has taken measures to ensure that there is adequate protective equipment for customs officers in stock, should the situation require the use of such equipment. Information about new regulations and possible regulatory initiatives has been communicated to customs officers, and the internal guidelines regarding the correct use of protective equipment has been updated. All business travels are to be cancelled/postponed except for those essential (which is to be decided by management).

So far, Swedish Customs has not encountered any unexpected challenges, the organization is adjusting to the new situation and we have crisis teams at both national and regional level that coordinate the work. Neither are we experiencing any disruptions caused by shortage in personnel, due to sick leave, so far.

Web-links to any relevant documents:

The website of Swedish Customs is updated with the information directly relating to customs matters: [www.tullverket.se](http://www.tullverket.se)

Most relevant Swedish weblinks for information concerning covid-19 would be

- Public Health Agency of Sweden: <https://www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se/the-public-healthagency-of-sweden/>
- Swedish Government Offices: <https://www.government.se/>
- Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency: <https://www.msb.se/en/>

Further information: [http://www.wcoomd.org/.....natural-disaster/covid\\_19/sweden\\_en.pdf?la=en](http://www.wcoomd.org/.....natural-disaster/covid_19/sweden_en.pdf?la=en)



**Source: European Commission**

16.03.2020

**Temporary and limited relaxation of the enforcement of driving and rest times for the drivers**

Sweden notified a temporary and limited relaxation of the enforcement of driving and rest times. This relaxation is granted pursuant to Article 14(2) of Regulation (EC) No 561/2006. It will apply to those drivers involved in domestic and international transports.

Start date: 16.03.2020

End date: 14.04.2020

Further information: <https://ec.europa.eu/transport/sites/transport/files/temporary-relaxatio...>

**Ban on non-essential travel from third countries**

Following a call by the European Council and European Commission the Swedish Government has banned non-essential travel to Sweden from all countries except European Union Member States, the United Kingdom, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland. This do not apply on Swedish citizens, third-country nationals, travellers with an essential function or need etc.

Start date:

17.03.2020

End date:

30.06.2020

More info: <https://www.government.se>

Source: [https://ec.europa.eu/transport/coronavirus-response\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/transport/coronavirus-response_en)