Hungary

Source: European Union/Re-open EU

06.05.2022

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

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Learn more:
Border Police
VisitHungary

Contact: COVID19@MTU.GOV.HU

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Learn more:
Budapest Airport

National health measures

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

11.11.2022

Austria - Hungary - Slovenia - Slovakia

Austria: temporary reintroduction of border control - Update

This Flash info refers to the **publication published on 31 October 2022**, regarding the temporary reintroduction of border control at the Austrian-Slovakian border. **The temporarily introduced border controls with Slovakia will be extended again. The controls will be extended until 12 December 2022 (included).**

Additionally, the Federal gazette for the Republic of Austria published on 10 November an ordinance on the temporary reintroduction of border controls at the internal borders with the Republic of Slovenia and Hungary. **In the period from 12 November 2022, 00:00, until 11 May 2023, 24:00, the internal borders with the Republic of Slovenia and Hungary may be crossed only at border crossing points.**

Federal gazette for the Republic of Austria: **here**.

Source: AISÖ, IRU

18.08.2021

Partial lifting of holiday driving restrictions

The Ministry of Innovation and Technology decided to partially lift the upcoming driving restrictions.

The following applies to Goods road motor vehicle (GVW >7.5t):

- Driving restrictions remain in force on 20 August 2021 (Friday) from 08:00 to 20 August (Friday) until 22:00, but restrictions are lifted on 20 August (Friday) from 22:00 to 21 August (Saturday) until 06:00.

- Driving restrictions remain in force on 21 August 2021 (Saturday) from 06:00 to 21 August (Saturday) until 22:00, but restrictions are lifted on 21 August (Saturday) from 22:00 to 22 August (Sunday) until 06:00.

- Driving restrictions remain in force on 22 August 2021 (Sunday) from 06:00 to 22 August (Sunday) until 22:00.

Source: MKFE

25.11.2020

The exemption of driving restrictions published on 13 November 2020 at 15:10 has been revoked on 24 November 2020.
The updated information regarding Hungary can be found under the following link: https://www.mkfe.hu/en/

Source: MKFE

Providing proof of vaccination, recovery from COVID-19 or a negative test result is not required to access public spaces in Hungary.

Learn more:
VisitHungary
Current measures (in Hungarian)

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

Info Coronavirus

04.03.2022

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

Non-essential travel to Hungary is only allowed to:

- Hungarian citizens who hold an immunity card
- Non-Hungarian nationals who provide proof of vaccination, recovery from COVID-19 or a negative test result (details in the sections below)
- Travellers entering Hungary by land from Austria, Croatia, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.
- Cross-border commuters: nationals of neighbouring countries and Hungarians living there can enter Hungary for 24 hours, within 30 kilometres from the border. Hungarian nationals can return from neighbouring countries if their stay there did not exceed 24 hours within 30 kilometres from the border.
- Further exceptions applicable to Hungarian and non-Hungarian nationals, freight transport, diplomatic and business travel, attendees of sports and cultural events are listed on the website of the Border Police.

Children younger than 18 can travel under the supervision of holders of proof of immunity.

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

13.11.2020

General exemption was granted from the driving restrictions in Hungary for trucks and combination vehicles with a MPW of over 7.5 t. The exemption is valid from the 13th of November until revoked.
More information can be found under the following link: https://www.mkfe.hu/en/

Source: MKFE

01.09.2020

The list of closed border crossing points in Hungary can be found attached. This document can also be downloaded from MKFE's website: https://www.mkfe.hu/en/).

Source: MKFE

31.08.2020

Updated information regarding the border procedures for both passenger and goods transport at the Hungarian border crossing points can be found here.

Source: MKFE

14.07.2020

On 14 July, the Hungarian Government introduced a classification system of foreign countries based on their epidemiological risk. Hungarian nationals coming from a country on the yellow or red list must quarantine at home for 14 days. An alternative is, they can produce proof of two negative tests, where the second should be made 48 hours after the first one.

Foreign nationals arriving from a country on the yellow list must undergo a medical examination upon arrival. If no infection is suspected, they must quarantine for 14 days. Foreign nationals coming from countries on the red list, who don't have a permanent residence permit in Hungary, or who don't have any family members in Hungary, are banned from entering the country.

Transit through Hungary is allowed under certain conditions.

Further details can be found here.

Source: MKFE

30.06.2020

On 21 June, effective immediately, the Hungarian government revoked the general exemption of driving restrictions for goods vehicles over 7.5 tonnes.

Source: MKFE

19.06.2020

On 19 June, the Hungarian Parliament put an end to the state of emergency, replacing it with a state of "epidemiological preparedness".

The 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' (EUDCC) is considered equivalent Hungary's immunity card. Travellers can enter Hungary without restrictions if their EUDCC contains one of the following:

- Proof of vaccination
  Accepted vaccines: vaccines authorised by the European Medicines Agency (EMA); vaccines authorised for emergency use by the World Health Organization (WHO); vaccines authorised and used in Hungary.
  Validity: 1 year
- Proof of recovery from COVID-19. Validity: between 15 and 180 days after the first positive test result.
- Negative result to a molecular (PCR) test. Validity: 72 hours.

Mobile application is available on:
App Store
Google Play

For more info:
EU Digital COVID Certificate (Hungarian)

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

Non-essential travel to Hungary is allowed only to Hungarian citizens who hold an immunity card, and to non-Hungarian nationals who provide documents equivalent to the 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' certifying one of the following:

- Proof of vaccination, including documents issued by countries listed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Proof of recovery from COVID-19. Validity: between 15 and 180 days after the first positive test result.
- Negative result to a molecular (PCR) test, valid 72 hours, issued in English or Hungarian and performed in EU countries.

Learn more:
VisitHungary - entry rules
Border Police
Contact: COVID19@MTU.GOV.HU

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

Non-essential travel to Hungary is only allowed to Hungarian citizens who hold an immunity card, to people who enter by land from Serbia and Ukraine, and to non-Hungarian nationals who provide an 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' or equivalent documents certifying one of the following:

Foreign nationals cannot enter Hungary whilst Hungarian (and their families), EU, EEA and EFTA citizens (except UK citizens), are allowed to enter the country. Detailed rules concerning travel to /from Hungary can be found here.

An official website of the European UnionHow do you know?

No restrictions apply to freight transport operations; mandatory transit routes previously in place have been dropped.

Members are reminded that the temporary relaxations of driving and rest time rules have ceased to apply on 31 May. Drivers can still benefit from the lifting of driving restrictions for vehicles over 7.5 tonnes, which is in force until 21 June.

Source: MKFE

02.06.2020

On 29 May, the Hungarian Government informed that relaxations on driving and rest times would expire on 31 May. Therefore, Regulation (EC) 561/2006 **fully applies from 00:00 on 1 June**. Members are also reminded that Hungarian Authorities allow double manning (passengers in the cabin are not considered double manning and, therefore, are not allowed).

For more information on international passenger transport between Hungary and neighbouring countries, the latest notice can be found here.

Source: MKFE

29.05.2020

MKFE is providing all information related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) relevant to foreign transport operations on an up-to-date webpage in English. The following information has been added to this site:

Passenger transport:

Information updated by the police on travel regulations is available here (in English).

Goods transport – facilitation measures:

Relaxations of driving and rest time rules will not be renewed after 31 May.

Source: MKFE

20.04.2020

According to the European Commission, Hungary granted relaxations on driving and rest times rules. Relaxations apply until 31 May to all drivers involved in national and international transport of goods being performed within Hungary. Provisions from EU Regulation 561/2006 derogated from:

- Art. 6(1): replacement of the maximum daily driving limit of 9 hours with one of 11 hours;

- Art. 6(2): replacement of the maximum weekly driving limit of 56 hours with one of 60 hours;

- Art. 6(3): replacement of the maximum fortnightly driving limit of 90 hours with one of 105 hours;

- Art. 7: replacement of the minimum daily breaks requirements by imposing a break of 45 minutes after 5 and a half hours;

- Art. 8(2): Reduction of the daily rest requirements from 11 to 9 hours;

- Proof of vaccination, including documents issued by countries listed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Proof of recovery from COVID-19. Validity: between 15 and 180 days after the first positive test result
- Negative result to a molecular (PCR) test, valid 72 hours, issued in English or Hungarian and performed in one of the following areas: EU countries, EU candidate countries, OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries, NATO countries, Russia, China, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Uzbekistan

Children younger than 18 can travel under the supervision of holders of proof of immunity.

Further exceptions applicable to Hungarian citizens and non-Hungarian nationals, freight transport, diplomatic and business travel, attendees of sports and cultural events are listed on the website of the Border Police.

Learn more:
VisitHungary - entry rules
Border Police
Contact: COVID19@MTU.GOV.HU

What are the rules if I go abroad from this country, and when I return from abroad?

The Hungarian Consular Service provides **Travel advice per Country** (in Hungarian).

Learn more:
Budapest Airport

May I transit this country?

Non-Hungarian citizens transiting via road, railway or water travel can enter Hungary if they meet the following requirements:

- they agree to a medical examination upon entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection
- they fulfil entry conditions prescribed in the Schengen Borders Code
- they prove the purpose of their travel
- they ensure that they are allowed to enter the destination country (and, to that end, a country neighbouring Hungary)
- transit does not exceed 24 hours

Transit of cross border commuters

Nationals of neighbouring countries and Hungarians living there can enter Hungary for 24 hours, within 30 kilometres from the border. Hungarian nationals can return from neighbouring countries if their stay did not exceed 24 hours within 30 kilometres from the border.

- Art. 8(6): reduction of the regular weekly rest period from 45 hours to 24 hours, provided that the reduction shall be compensated by an equivalent period of rest taken en bloc before the end of the third week following the week in question OR

- Art. 8(6): postponement of a weekly rest period from six to seven 24-hour period.

Source: MKFE

03.04.2020

With effect from midnight, 17 March, Hungary has closed its internal and external borders. Hungarian citizens and close relatives travelling with them (including those not resident in Hungary) will still be allowed to enter the country.

According to the government decree nr 81/2020, article 3 (7), provisions of articles 2 and 3 of this government decree, **these restrictions do not apply to freight traffic.**

Goods transports arriving and departing from Hungarian destinations, as well as those in transit, are allowed to cross the state border and continue the journey without restrictions, **but only through the designated border points** (transit routes are highlighted in blue): here.

- Stops are only permitted at designated rest areas and fuel stations;

- Transport operators must have police stamps;

- Only the driver is permitted in the cabin; no passengers (no double-manning);

- Drivers should cross the territory as quickly and efficiently as possible, without the violation of any traffic rules - police procedures are in place at the points of exit.

Official webpage of the Government here.

Source: MKFE

29.03.2020

MKFE is providing all information related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) relevant to foreign hauliers on an up-to-date webpage in English. The following information has been added to this site:

As of 28 March 2020 the **official quarantine** (for a period of fourteen days after crossing the border) **for the Hungarian truck drivers not showing symptoms of COVID-19, if the destination is Hungary,is no more applicable**. The other dispositions of the resolution of Chief Medical Officer issued on 27 March remain unchanged.

This disposition should help reduce the bottlenecks observed at the border crossing points on Friday.

Source: MKFE

27.03.2020

The National Chief Medical Officer has issued a new resolution (already in force), and the following rules enter into force:

Art 6. Road freight transport drivers are to undergo a medical examination; and

a) **Those who are not showing symptoms of COVID-19**:

Learn more:
VisitHungary - entry rules
Border Police
Budapest Airport
Humanitarian corridor

General measures

Demonstrating protection against COVID-19 is required to access indoors and outdoors events (cultural, sports, music etc) with more than 500 participants. Attendees must provide one of the following:

- a Hungarian immunity card
- an 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' (EUDCC) confirming vaccination or recovery from COVID-19
- a foreign certificate recognized by Hungary
- the EESZT application. As of 15 February, only vaccinated people will receive a valid certificate, valid for 6 months. Certificates of people who recover from COVID-19 after two vaccine doses will also be valid for 6 months. After the booster dose, vaccination certificates are valid until further notice.

Children younger than 18 are exempt if they are under the supervision of a holder of a protection certificate.

Learn more:
Current measures (in Hungarian)
VisitHungary - general regulations

Use of facemasks

Wearing facemasks is required in indoors public spaces, such as stores, shopping centres, post offices, health and social care institutions, public transport, theatres, cinemas, and at sports events.

Staff working at cultural centres end event venues, gyms, swimming pools, spas and catering establishments must wear a facemask.

Employers can require staff working in nurseries, kindergartens, schools, higher education institutions and other workplaces to wear facemasks.

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

(aa) As a Hungarian citizen, if the destination is Hungary, the person must undergo official quarantine for a period of fourteen days after crossing the border.

(ab) As a foreign national, if the destination is Hungary, the person must leave the country within 24 hours from unloading the consignment.

(ac) In the case of transit traffic, the person has to leave the territory of Hungary in the shortest possible time and on the designated transit route.

(ad) Must wear a face mask and rubber gloves when travelling in Hungary.

b) **Those who are showing symptoms of COVID-19**:

(ba)Hungarian citizens will be housed in a designated quarantine facility.

(bb) Non-Hungarian citizens cannot enter the territory of Hungary.

Only Art 6.a) (ab), (ac), (ad), and Art 6.b) (bb) are applicable for international road freight transport drivers who are not Hungarian citizens.

The text of the resolution is available in Hungarian here.

Source: MKFE

Hungary has closed its internal and external borders for passenger transport operations with effect from 00:00 17 March. Hungarian citizens and close relatives travelling with them (including those not resident in Hungary) will still be allowed to enter the country.

MKFE has communicated its vision of the situation at border crossing points here (last update on 21/03 afternoon).

MKFE and the Hungarian Government are doing everything possible to ensure continuous and unhindered cross-border freight transport operations.

Source: MKFE

Demonstrating protection against COVID-19 with a Hungarian immunity card, an 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' (EUDCC), a certificate recognized by Hungary or the EESZT application is mandatory to access all indoor events (sports, cultural, music and dance events, etc.), and outdoor events with more than 500 participants.

Children younger than 18 are exempt if they are under the supervision of a holder of a protection certificate.

Wearing a facemask is mandatory.

Safety measures for public transportation

Wearing a facemask is required.

Quarantine

In the case of suspected COVID-19 infection:

a) with **mild symptoms** and not belonging to any risk group, a home quarantine is required. The GP will ask the National Ambulance Service (OMSZ) for respiratory sampling. It is important not to eat, drink, smoke or brush your teeth four to five hours before sampling.

b) with **severe symptoms** (for example shortness of breath, pneumonia) and necessary hospital care, the ambulance will take you to the territorially competent hospital. The designated hospital will perform all the necessary tests to verify the presence of the disease. In the case of a positive result, you will be monitored in the hospital.

Due to the growing demand for testing, mobile test stations (filter buses) are available and can be used by those whose GP has previously ordered an examination.

Find out more:

What to do in case of symptoms (in Hungarian).

Where can an official PCR test be performed? (in Hungarian).

Non-essential (other than medicine and food) shops

Stores are open. Wearing a facemask is required.

Cinemas, museums and indoor attractions

Wearing a facemask is mandatory.

Holding an EUDCC or equivalent certificate is required to access events with more than 500 participants.

Personal care services

Visits in hospitals are not allowed.

Outdoors areas and beaches

Outdoor areas and beaches are accessible in the whole country.

Health protocols for tourism services and tourists

The Covid manual of the Hungarian Tourism Agency

The following safety protocols are also available for operators of tourism services (in Hungarian):

www.nnk.gov.hu
Reccommendations for reopening restaurant terraces and gardens
Covid-19 Manual

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Info Coronavirus

10.12.2021

EU Digital COVID Certificates

Information on 'EU Digital COVID Certificates' issued in Hungary

Important: in Hungary, the 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' (EUDCC) is **required to access some public spaces**, such as bars and restaurants, museums, large events, and some means of public transport. Please, consult the Measures secti on for further details. Travellers are strongly advised to carry relevant certificates at all times.

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- Travellers entering Hungary by land from Austria, Croatia, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Serbia and Ukraine
- Cross-border commuters: nationals of neighbouring countries and Hungarians living there can enter Hungary for 24 hours, within 30 kilometres from the border. Hungarian nationals can return from neighbouring countries if their stay there did not exceed 24 hours within 30 kilometres from the border.
- Further exceptions applicable to Hungarian and non-Hungarian nationals, freight transport, diplomatic and business travel, attendees of sports and cultural events are listed on visithungary.com.

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Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

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- Proof of **vaccination**
  Accepted vaccines: vaccines authorised by the Euro pean Medicines Agency (EMA); vaccines authorised for emergency use by the World Health Organization (WHO); vaccines authorised and used in Hungary.
  Validity: 1 year
- Proof of **recovery** from COVID-19. Validity: between 15 and 180 days after the first positive test result.
- **Negative result** to a molecular (PCR) test. Validity: 72 hours.

Mobile application is available on:
App Store
Google Play

For more info:
EU Digital COVID Certificate (Hungarian)

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

Non-essential travel to Hungary is allowed only to Hungarian citizens who hold an immunity card, and to non-Hungarian nationals who can provide one of the following:

- Proof of **vaccination** issued by countries listed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Proof of **recovery** from COVID-19. Validity: 6 months.
- **Negative result** to a molecular (PCR) test, valid 72 hours, issued in English or Hungarian and performed in EU countries.

Find out more:
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Border Police
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What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

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- Proof of vaccination issued by countries listed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Proof of recovery from COVID-19. Validity: 6 months
- Negative result to a molecular (PCR) test, valid 72 hours, issued in English or Hungarian and performed in one of the following areas: EU candidate countries, OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries, NATO countries, Russia, China, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Uzbekistan
- Holders of 'EU Digital COVID Certificates' issued in the United Kingdom and Armenia, certifying vaccination, recovery or a negative test result.

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Find out more:
VisitHungary - entry rules
Border Police
Contact: COVID19@MTU.GOV.HU

What are the rules if I go abroad from this country, and when I return from abroad?

Hungarian citizens holding the immunity card can travel without restrictions to countries with which bilateral agreements are in place. Hungarian citizens returning in Hungary and **holding a protection certificate are exempt from mandatory quarantine.**

Hungarian citizens **without vaccination certificates,** returnin g from abroad, are obliged to stay in **home quarantine for 10 days** from the date of entry. Passengers returning home may be exempted from quarantine if they provide a certificate containing the **negative results of two SARS-CoV-2 molecular tests** performed in Hungary at two different times, with at least **48 hours** between them. **The first of the two tests may also be performed in one of the Schengen countries, the United States of America or Canada.**

Hungarian citizens may return home from abroad **without restrictions** if the reason for the trip was a **business or economic activity** which the Hungarian citizen is able to **cred ibly attest,** upon return to Hungary.

The Hungarian Consular Service provides **Travel advice per Country** (in Hungarian).

Find out more:
Budapest Airport

May I transit this country?

Non-Hungarian citizens transiting via road, railway or water travel can enter Hungary if:

- they agree to a medical examination upon entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection.
- fulfil entry conditions prescribed in the Schengen Borders Code
- prove the purpose of their travel
- ensure that they are allowed to enter the destination country (and, to that end, the next country *en route* to the destination country from Hungary).

Transit for non-essential reasons is allowed to:

- travellers entering Hungary by land from Austria, Croatia, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Serbia and Ukraine
- Cross border commuters: nationals of neighbouring countries and Hungarians living there can enter Hungary for 24 hours, within 30 kilometres from the border. Hungarian nationals can return from neighbouring countries if their stay did not exceed 24 hours within 30 kilometres from the border.

Find out more:
VisitHungary - entry rules
Budapest Airport
Humanitarian corridor

General measures

Demonstrating protection against COVID-19 with a Hungarian immunity card, an 'EU Digital COVID Certificate' (EUDCC), a certificate recognized by Hungary or the EESZT application is mandatory to access all indoor events (sports, cultural, music and dance events, etc.), and outdoor events with more than 500 participants.

Children younger than 18 are exempt if they are under the supervision of a holder of a protection certificate.

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Current measures (in Hungarian)
VisitHungary - general regulations

Use of facemasks

Wearing facemasks is required in indoors public spaces, such as stores, shopping centres, post offices, health and social care institutions, public transport, theatres, cinemas, and at sports events.

Staff working at cultural centres end event venues, gyms, swimming pools, spas and catering establishments must wear a facemask.

Employers can require staff working in nurseries, kindergartens, schools, higher education institutions and other workplaces to wear facemasks.

Physical Distancing

No minimum distance is required outdoors and indoors.

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

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Children younger than 18 are exempt if they are under the supervision of a holder of a protection certificate.

Wearing a facemask is mandatory.

Safety measures for public transportation

Wearing a facemask is required.

Places of worship

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Worship places are allowed to be open. Weddings can take place up to 400 people and funerals may be organised with a maximum number of 100 participants.

Quarantine

In the case of suspected COVID-19 infection:

a) with **mild symptoms** and not belonging to any risk group, a home quarantine is required. The GP will ask the National Ambulance Service (OMSZ) for respiratory sampling. It is important not to eat, drink, smoke or brush your teeth four to five hours before sampling.

b) with **severe symptoms** (for example shortness of breath, pneumonia) and necessary hospital care, the ambulance will take you to the territorially competent hospital. The designated hospital will perform all the necessary tests to verify the presence of the disease. In the case of a positive result, you will be monitored in the hospital.

Due to the growing demand for testing, mobile test stations (filter buses) are available and can be used by those whose GP has previously ordered an examination.

Find out more:

What to do in case of symptoms (in Hungarian).

Where can an official PCR test be performed? (in Hungarian).

Non-essential (other than medicine and food) shops

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Stores are open. Wearing a facemask is required. It's possible to enter even without immunity certificate.

Tourist accommodations

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Tourism accommodations are open to all guests with or without immunity certificate (including their children). Wearing a facemask is required.

Catering establishments

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Wearing a facemask is required.

Cinemas, museums and indoor attractions

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Wearing a facemask is mandatory.

Holding an EUDCC or equivalent certificate is required to access indoor cultural events.

Personal care services

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Wearing a facemask is required.

Visits in hospitals are not allowed.

Outdoors areas and beaches

OPEN WITH LIMITATIONS

Outdoor areas and beaches are accessible in the whole country.

Health protocols for tourism services and tourists

The Covid manual of the Hungarian Tourism Agency

The following safety protocols are also available for operators of tourism services (in Hungarian):

www.nnk.gov.hu
Reccommendations for reopening restaurant terraces and gardens
Covid-19 Manual

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

Info Coronavirus

19.11.2021

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

GENERAL EXEMPTION CATEGORIES

Regardless of the passenger's citizenship, the restrictions do not apply to travellers:

- holding an **EU Digital COVID certificate**;
- **recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months** from the date of entry;
- holding a **Hungarian immunity certificate** and their accompanying minor children (only if they travel together);
- holding an **immunity certificate that is recognised by Hungary** based on unilateral/bilateral agreements (see the list of these countries), and their accompanying minor children (only if they travel together);
- arriving to Hungary through land borders from Croatia, Austria, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia, excluding the case of entry by civil aircraft;
- crossing the border in relation to freight traffic;
- crossing the border with a diplomatic passport, foreign service passport, service passport and seaman's passport.
- presenting a negative PRC result in English or in Hungarian, performed within 72 hours from the time of entry, in one of the following countries:
    - EU or EU candidate states;
    - OECD member states;
    - NATO member states;
    - Russia;
    - China;
    - United Arab Emirates;
    - Bahrain;
    - member states of The Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States.

Travellers fulfilling one of the above mentioned criteria do not need any permission in order to enter Hungary, they do not need to go into isolation, and their length of stay is not limited.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS BASED ON CITIZENSHIP AND PURPOSE OF STAY

Special measures apply to travels not falling into the general exemption categories, based on their **citizenship** and **purpose of their stay** as follows.

Hungarian citizens are allowed to enter Hungary (no need for entry permit or PCR test) regardless of the purpose of stay, but they must go into isolation for 10 days, or until they can present two negative PCR tests performed two days apart.

Non-Hungarian citizens can enter Hungary only in exceptional cases depending on the purpose of stay.

- The entry of non-Hungarian travellers **not falling into the general exemption categories** (see above), **or the essential and special entry purpose categories** (listed below) **is currently not allowed**. Tourism is considered as a non-essential purpose of entry.
- Non-Hungarian travellers **with an entry purpose listed below are allowed to enter Hungary if they hold an entry permit issued by the Hungarian Police.** No prior PCR test is needed. The permit holders must go into isolation for 10 days, that can be shortened by performing 2x PCR tests in Hungary. These are:
    - attending a court hearing;
    - receiving medical treatment;
    - completing studies or exam obligations (certified by the education institution);
    - transport related work activities;
    - participating at a family event (wedding, funeral);
    - caregiving to a family member;
    - or any other, duly justified case that can be approved on equity bases.

The **entry permit** can be received by submitting an online application on the Hungarian Police's website: https://ugyintezes.police.hu/en/uj-ugy-inditasa/.

Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours, but they may not leave this lane. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometre lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometre lane from the border of the neighbouring state for less than 24 hours.

Special privileges are granted for citizens and residents of specified countries, arriving from the country of citizenship to Hungary with the purpose of business or gainful activities.

Further information on travelling to Hungary is available here visithungary - Entry rules in force in force and on the police.hu - General rules of border crossing.

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

The EU Digital COVID Certificate is equivalent to the immunity certificate recognised by Hungary. Persons presenting the EU Digital COVID Certificate can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Mobile application is available on:
App Store
Google Play

For more info:
EU Digital COVID Certificate (Hungarian)

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

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

GENERAL EXEMPTION CATEGORIES

Regardless of the passenger's citizenship, the restrictions do not apply to travellers:

- **recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months** from the date of entry;
- holding a **Hungarian immunity certificate** and their accompanying minor children (only if they travel together);
- holding an **immunity certificate that is recognised by Hungary** based on unilateral/bilateral agreements (see the list of these countries), and their accompanying minor children (only if they travel together);
- arriving to Hungary through land borders from Croatia, Austria, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, excluding the case of entry by civil aircraft;
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- presenting a negative PRC result in English or in Hungarian, performed within 72 hours from the time of entry, in one of the following countries:
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    - OECD member states;
    - NATO member states;
    - Russia;
    - China;
    - United Arab Emirates;
    - Bahrain;
    - member states of The Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States.

Travellers fulfilling one of the above mentioned criteria do not need any permission in order to enter Hungary, they do not need to go into isolation, and their length of stay is not limited.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS BASED ON CITIZENSHIP AND PURPOSE OF STAY

Special measures apply to travels not falling into the general exemption categories, based on their **citizenship** and **purpose of their stay** as follows.

Hungarian citizens are allowed to enter Hungary (no need for entry permit or PCR test) regardless of the purpose of stay, but they must go into isolation for 10 days, or until they can present two negative PCR tests performed two days apart.

Non-Hungarian citizens can enter Hungary only in exceptional cases depending on the purpose of stay.

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    - attending a court hearing;
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What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Partially

GENERAL EXEMPTION CATEGORIES

Regardless of the passenger's citizenship, the restrictions do not apply to travellers:

- **recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months** from the date of entry;
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- holding an **immunity certificate that is recognised by Hungary** based on unilateral/bilateral agreements (see the list of these countries), and their accompanying minor children (only if they travel together);
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What are the rules if I go abroad from this country, and when I return from abroad?

Hungarian citizens holding the immunity card can travel without restrictions to countries with which bilateral agreements are in place. Hungarian citizens returning in Hungary and **holding a protection certificate are exempt from mandatory quarantine.**

Hungarian citizens **without vaccination certificates,** returning from abroad, are obliged to stay in **home quarantine for 10 days** from the date of entry. Passengers returning home may be exempted from quarantine if they provide a certificate containing the **negative results of two SARS-CoV-2 molecular tests** performed in Hungary at two different times, with at least **48 hours** between them. **The first of the two tests may also be performed in one of the Schengen countries, the United States of America or Canada.**

Hungarian citizens may return home from abroad **without restrictions** if the reason for the trip was a **business or economic activity** which the Hungarian citizen is able to **cred ibly attest,** upon return to Hungary.

The Hungarian Consular Service provides **Travel advice per Country** (in Hungarian).

May I transit this country?

Partially

Non-Hungarian citizens arriving from abroad in passenger traffic may enter Hungary for the purpose of transiting if they subject themselves to medical examination on entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection.

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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

Current measures (in Hungarian).

Use of facemasks

Wearing facemasks is required in indoors public spaces, such as stores, shopping centres, post offices, health and social care institutions, public transport, theatres, cinemas, and at sports events.

Staff working at cultural centres end event venues, gyms, swimming pools, spas and catering establishments must wear a facemask.

Employers can require staff working in nurseries, kindergartens, schools, higher education institutions and other workplaces to wear facemasks.

Physical Distancing

No minimum distance is required outdoors and indoors.

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

Up to 100 people can attend family and private events.

Sport is free in public spaces.

Weddings are limited to 400 participants.

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Safety measures for public transportation

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Places of worship

Open with limitations

Worship places are allowed to be open. Weddings can take place up to 400 people and funerals may be organised with a maximum number of 100 participants.

Quarantine

In the case of suspected COVID-19 infection:

a) with **mild symptoms** and not belonging to any risk group, a home quarantine is required. The GP will ask the National Ambulance Service (OMSZ) for respiratory sampling. It is important not to eat, drink, smoke or brush your teeth four to five hours before sampling.

b) with **severe symptoms** (for example shortness of breath, pneumonia) and necessary hospital care, the ambulance will take you to the territorially competent hospital. The designated hospital will perform all the necessary tests to verify the presence of the disease. In the case of a positive result, you will be monitored in the hospital.

Due to the growing demand for testing, mobile test stations (filter buses) are available and can be used by those whose GP has previously ordered an examination.

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What to do in case of symptoms (in Hungarian).

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Non-essential (other than medicine and food) shops

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Tourist accommodations

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Cinemas, museums and indoor attractions

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Personal care services

Open with limitations

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Visits in hospitals are not allowed.

Outdoors areas and beaches

Open with limitations

Outdoor areas and beaches are accessible in the whole country.

Health protocols for tourism services and tourists

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Partially

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May I transit this country?

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Current measures(in Hungarian).

Use of facemasks

Masks are not mandatory in outdoor public spaces and indoors in shops or on public transport.

In health and social care institutions wearing a facemask is required.

Physical Distancing

No minimum distance is required outdoors and indoors.

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

Up to 100 people can attend family and private events.

Sport is free in public spaces.

Weddings are limited to 400 participants.

Indoor sport and cultural events or outdoor events with over 500 people can only be attended by people with immunity certificate. People under 18 can only attend these events with immunity certificate or being accompanied by a person with immunity card.

Safety measures for public transportation

Passengers are not obliged to wear a face.

Places of worship

Open with limitations

Worship places are allowed to be open. Weddings can take place up to 400 people and funerals may be organised with a maximum number of 100 participants.

Quarantine

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Tourist accommodations

Open with limitations

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Catering establishments

Open with limitations

Catering establishments are open. No restrictions in place for guests.

Cinemas, museums and indoor attractions

Open with limitations

Museums, libraries, cinemas, zoos and similar leisure facilities are open to all visitors The same applies in the case of cultural events.

Personal care services

Open with limitations

Swimming pools and leisure facilities are open for all visitors.

Outdoors areas and beaches

Open with limitations

Outdoor areas and beaches are accessible in the whole country.

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Entry from EU Member States and Schengen Associated Countries is possible for holders of**EU Digital COVID Certificates**, and for travelers with a valid**vaccination certificate**or**proof of recovery from COVID-19**in the last 6 months.

Entry by land into Hungary from Croatia, Austria, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Slovenia, regardless of nationality or protection against COVID-19, is possible without epidemiological restrictions (subject to other general conditions of entry, such as valid travel document).

Travelers**under 18 years old**are exempted from epidemiological restrictions when they travel with supervisors who are holding the required certificates.

Additionally, the following categories can enter Hungary without being subject to restrictions:

- persons crossing the border in relation to freight traffic;
- persons holding diplomatic passport, or a service passport for seafarers;
- persons on official visits (proved by documents);
- persons who have registered to get vaccinated in Hungary (who must leave the country within 24 hours after vaccination).

Otherwise, the police authority may allow entry if the applicant proves one of the following purposes:

1. participation in a Hungarian court or public authority proceedings (certified by a document of a Hungarian court or an authority);
2. receiving health care service, certified by a document issued by the health care institution or by other appropriate document;
3. meeting study or exam obligations under student status certified by a document which is issued by the educational institution;
4. taking part in cargo related passenger traffic, certified by a document which is issued by the employer;
5. participation in family events (wedding, funeral, christening);
6. taking care of a relative;
7. taking part in an international religious event of a special significance;
8. other justifiable reasons outside those covered above.

The local police body located at the place of entry into the territory of Hungary may grant an exemption upon request.

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

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Persons who hold a Hungarian immunity certificate or an immunity certificate issued by Serbia, Montenegro, Bahrein, Croatia, Turkey, North Macedonia, Czech Republic, Georgia, Mongolia, Republic of Moldova, Slovenia, Cyprus, Albania, Morocco, Slovakia and Ukraine are exempted from the restrictions on entry.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Foreign nationals can enter Hungary only for the following reasons:

- taking part in a Hungarian court procedure;
- carrying out business or other activity justified by a letter of invitation issued by a central government body, an individual regulatory body, or an autonomous state body;
- receiving health care service, certified by a document issued by the health care institution;
- carrying out study or exam duty required by an educational institution, certified by a document issued by the educational institution;
- taking part in cargo-related passenger traffic if the aim of the travel is either to get to the cargo transport's point of departure, or to get home after carrying out such cargo transport duty, if certified by a document issued by the employer;
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- taking care of a relative;
- taking part in an international sports, cultural or religious event of a special significance.

Upon entry, foreign citizens are subject to mandatory **10-day quarantine** from the date of entry. The quarantine can be shortened after negative result of two PCR tests performed in Hungary at two different times, with at least 48 hours between them. The first of the two tests can also be performed in one of the Schengen countries, the United States of America or Canada.

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

Partially

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Flights to and from the UK have been resumed, provided that travellers undergo a mandatory quarantine.

May I transit this country?

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Information on Tourism at National level

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Useful Info for tourists

Before starting your journey, please check visa requirements for your destination at: The Schengen visa

EU Digital COVID Certificates

This country is already connected to the Gateway and is issuing and/or verifying at least one EU Digital COVID Certificate (Vaccination, Recovery, Test)

Information on "EU Digital COVID Certificates" issued in Hungary

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The EU Digital COVID Certificate Regulation entered into force on 01 July 2021. EU citizens and residents will now be able to have their Digital COVID Certificates issued and verified across the EU. National authorities are in charge of issuing the certificate.

The certificate provides a standardised recognition of the holder's status related to vaccination, recovery from Covid-19, or test result. **Despite the European Digital COVID Certificate, each country continues to be responsible for the definition of its own entry requirements and rules, which are not standardised at the EU level.** This means that what is required to enter upon presentation of this certificate, depends on the measures and entry rules in place at your destination.

Find out more:

Information on the "EU Digital COVID Certificate"

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Further information: https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/HUN/7011

17.06.2021

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

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

Information not yet available.

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

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

Hungary has closed its border to all foreign nationals for an indefinite period due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Only Hungarian nationals, non-Hungarian nationals who are permanently resident in Hungary or non-Hungarian nationals who have permission to remain longer than 90 days, are allowed entry into the country.

Persons who hold a Hungarian immunity certificate or an immunity certificate issued by Serbia, Montenegro, Bahrein, Croatia, Turkey, North Macedonia, Czech Republic, Georgia, Mongolia, Republic of Moldova or Slovenia are exempted from the restrictions on entry.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Foreign nationals can enter Hungary only for the following reasons:

- taking part in a Hungarian court procedure;
- carrying out business or other activity justified by a letter of invitation issued by a central government body, an individual regulatory body, or an autonomous state body;
- receiving health care service, certified by a document issued by the health care institution;
- carrying out study or exam duty required by an educational institution, certified by a document issued by the educational institution;
- taking part in cargo-related passenger traffic if the aim of the travel is either to get to the cargo transport’s point of departure, or to get home after carrying out such cargo transport duty, if certified by a document issued by the employer;
- participation in family events (wedding, funeral, christening);
- taking care of a relative;
- taking part in an international sports-, cultural or religious event of a special significance.

Upon entry, foreign citizens are subject to mandatory **10-day quarantine** from the date of entry. The quarantine can be shortened after negative result of two PCR tests performed in Hungary at two different times, with at least 48 hours between them. The first of the two tests can also be performed in one of the Schengen countries, the United States of America or Canada.

Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours, but they may not leave this lane. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometre lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometre lane from the border of the neighbouring state for less than 24 hours.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

Foreign nationals wishing to enter Hungary for the reasons listed above must apply for an exemption at https://ugyintezes.police.hu/en/home.
The form, which should be completed in advance of travelling, is available in English or Hungarian.

Find out more:
Consular Services (Hungarian)
Information from Budapest Airport

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

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Flights to and from the UK have been resumed, provided that travellers undergo a mandatory quarantine.

May I transit this country?

PARTIALLY

Non-Hungarian citizens arriving from abroad in passenger traffic may enter Hungary for the purpose of transiting if they subject themselves to medical examination on entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection.

As additional pre-requisites for entry, non-Hungarian citizens arriving from other countries shall fulfil the conditions of entry prescribed in the Schengen Borders Code, credibly prove the purpose of their travel and ensure that they are allowed to enter the destination country (and, to that end, the next country *en route* to the destination country from Hungary).

Citizens of neighbouring countries and Hungarian citizens living there could enter the territory of Hungary within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours.

The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Find out more:
Budapest Airport
Humanitarian corridor
Safety measures

General measures

Current measures (in Hungarian)

Use of facemasks

Masks are not mandatory in outdoor public spaces.

In indoor public places (shops, shopping malls, health and social care institutions, reception offices), as well as on public transport and taxis, wearing a facemask is required.

Physical Distancing

No minimum distance is required outdoors.

The minimum distance of **1.5 metres** is recommended in public spaces indoors. Employers have to implement measures to ensure the interpersonal distancing.

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

Up to 50 people can attend family and private events.

Sport is free in public spaces.

Weddings are limited to 200 participants.

Outdoor Events are limited to 500 seated participants.

Information on Tourism at National level

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

Info Coronavirus

EU Digital COVID Certificates

THIS COUNTRY IS IN THE TECHNICAL TESTING PHASE TO CONNECT TO THE EU DIGITAL COVID CERTIFICATE GATEWAY

Information on "EU Digital COVID Certificates" issued in Hungary

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The EU Digital COVID Certificate (available from **1 July 2021**) provides proof that a person has either:

- **been vaccinated against COVID-19** (vaccine type and manufacturer, number of doses, date of vaccination);
- **received a negative test result**, PCR or rapid antigen, with the name of the test, date and time of test, test centre and result (self-tests are not valid);
- **recovered from COVID-19**.

When travelling, holders of the EU Digital COVID Certificate will have the same rights as citizens of the visited Member State who have been vaccinated, tested or recovered.

The certificate provides a standardised recognition of the holder's status related to vaccination, recovery from COVID or test result. Each country continues to be responsible for the definition of its own entry requirements and rules, which are not standardised at the EU level. This means that **what you will be eligible for, upon presentation of this certificate, depends on the measures and entry rules in place at your country of destination**.

How does it work:

1. **Member States** issue a certificate automatically or upon request, which is issued either digitally or on paper, and has a QR code with an electronic signature;
2. **Citizens** store the certificate in their digital app or wallet and can use it when they travel;
3. When the **verifier** asks the citizen for the certificate, the QR code is shown and the digital signature is verified.

Find out more:
Information on the EU Digital COVID Certificate

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06.05.2021

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

No

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

Hungary has closed its border to all foreign nationals for an indefinite period due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Only Hungarian nationals, non-Hungarian nationals who are permanently resident in Hungary or non-Hungarian nationals who have permission to remain longer than 90 days, are allowed entry into the country.

Foreign nationals can enter Hungary only for the following reasons:

- taking part in a Hungarian court procedure;
- carrying out business or other activity justified by a letter of invitation issued by a central government body, an individual regulatory body, or an autonomous state body;
- receiving health care service, certified by a document issued by the health care institution;
- carrying out study or exam duty required by an educational institution, certified by a document issued by the educational institution;
- taking part in cargo-related passenger traffic if the aim of the travel is either to get to the cargo transport's point of departure, or to get home after carrying out such cargo transport duty, if certified by a document issued by the employer;
- participation in family events (wedding, funeral, christening);
- taking care of a relative;
- taking part in an international sports-, cultural or religious event of a special significance.

Upon entry, individuals must agree to undergo a medical examination (temperature check). In case a suspicion of COVID-19 infection arises during the health examination, the individual will be refused entry.

Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours, but they may not leave this lane. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometre lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometre lane from the border of the neighbouring state for less than 24 hours.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Is a quarantine required?

All travellers must complete a **10-day mandatory quarantine**.

If the person has no place of residency in Hungary, they must enter a government-designated place of quarantine. Hungarian citizens returning from abroad are required to quarantine unless they undergo a double testing procedure.

Is a coronavirus test required?

The quarantine period may be shortened by taking a PCR test no less than 5 days after arrival, followed by a second PCR test no less than 48 hours after the first one. If the result of these tests is negative, the period of quarantine can end.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

Foreign nationals wishing to enter Hungary for the reasons listed above must apply for an exemption at https://ugyintezes.police.hu/en/home.
The form, which should be completed in advance of travelling, is available in English or Hungarian.

Find out more:
Consular Services (Hungarian)
Information from Budapest Airport

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

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Flights to and from the UK have been resumed, provided that travellers undergo a mandatory quarantine.

May I transit this country?

Yes

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.

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.

Additionally, for Hungary, the following rules apply:

Non-Hungarian citizens arriving from abroad in passenger traffic may enter Hungary for the purpose of transiting if they subject themselves to medical examination on entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection.

As additional pre-requisites for entry, non-Hungarian citizens arriving from other countries shall fulfil the conditions of entry prescribed in the Schengen Borders Code, credibly prove the purpose of their travel and ensure that they are allowed to enter the destination country (and, to that end, the next country *en route* to the destination country from Hungary).

Citizens of neighbouring countries and Hungarian citizens living there could enter the territory of Hungary within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours.

The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Find out more:
Budapest Airport
Humanitarian corridor
Safety measures

General measures

A curfew is in place from 22:00 to 5:00 and only movements for essential reasons are allowed (work, health, taking the dog for a walk within 500 metres from the place of residence). In order to go out, it is always required to bring a specific certificate.

Find out more:

Current measures (in Hungarian)

Use of facemasks

People visiting public places (shops, shopping malls, health and social care institutions, reception offices) as well as people using public transport and taxis, are required to wear a facemask or otherwise cover their faces with mask-like substitutes (scarves, shawls, etc.).

As of 11.11.2020, facemask wearing is mandatory also in some public areas of municipalities with more than 10,000 inhabitants. It is not mandatory to wear a facemask during sports activities as well as in parks and green areas.

Physical Distancing

The interpersonal distance of **1.5 metres** is recommended everywhere, especially in shops. Employers have to implement measures to ensure the interpersonal distancing. Individual sports activities outdoors are allowed.

Source: https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/HUN/7001

31.03.2021

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

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

Hungary has closed its border to all foreign nationals for an indefinite period due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Only Hungarian nationals, non-Hungarian nationals who are permanently resident in Hungary or non-Hungarian nationals who have permission to remain longer than 90 days, are allowed entry into the country.

Foreign nationals can enter Hungary only for the following reasons:

- taking part in a Hungarian court procedure;
- carrying out business or other activity justified by a letter of invitation issued by a central government body, an individual regulatory body, or an autonomous state body;
- receiving health care service, certified by a document issued by the health care institution;
- carrying out study or exam duty required by an educational institution, certified by a document issued by the educational institution;
- taking part in cargo-related passenger traffic if the aim of the travel is either to get to the cargo transport's point of departure, or to get home after carrying out such cargo transport duty, if certified by a document issued by the employer;
- participation in family events (wedding, funeral, christening);
- taking care of a relative;
- taking part in an international sports-, cultural or religious event of a special significance.

Upon entry, individuals must agree to undergo a medical examination (temperature check). In case a suspicion of COVID-19 infection arises during the health examination, the individual will be refused entry.

Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours, but they may not leave this lane. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometre lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometre lane from the border of the neighbouring state for less than 24 hours.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Is a quarantine required?

All travellers must complete a **10-day mandatory quarantine**.

If the person has no place of residency in Hungary, they must enter a government-designated place of quarantine. Hungarian citizens returning from abroad are required to quarantine unless they undergo a double testing procedure.

Is a coronavirus test required?

The quarantine period may be shortened by taking a PCR test no less than 5 days after arrival, followed by a second PCR test no less than 48 hours after the first one. If the result of these tests is negative, the period of quarantine can end.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

Foreign nationals wishing to enter Hungary for the reasons listed above must apply for an exemption at https://ugyintezes.police.hu/en/home.
The form, which should be completed in advance of travelling, is available in English or Hungarian.

Find out more:
Consular Services (Hungarian)
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What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Flights to and from the UK have been resumed, provided that travellers undergo a mandatory quarantine.

May I transit this country?

YES

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.

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.

Additionally, for Hungary, the following rules apply:

Non-Hungarian citizens arriving from abroad in passenger traffic may enter Hungary for the purpose of transiting if they subject themselves to medical examination on entry, and the medical examination does not establish the suspicion of COVID-19 infection.

As additional pre-requisites for entry, non-Hungarian citizens arriving from other countries shall fulfil the conditions of entry prescribed in the Schengen Borders Code, credibly prove the purpose of their travel and ensure that they are allowed to enter the destination country (and, to that end, the next country *en route* to the destination country from Hungary).

Citizens of neighbouring countries and Hungarian citizens living there could enter the territory of Hungary within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours.

The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Find out more:
Budapest Airport
Humanitarian corridor
Safety measures

General measures

As of 11.11.2020, a curfew is in place from 20:00 to 5:00 and only movements for essential reasons are allowed (work, health, taking the dog for a walk within 500 metres from the place of residence). In order to go out, it is always required to bring a specific certificate.

Find out more:

Current measures (in Hungarian)

Health cover for temporary stays

Use of facemasks

People visiting public places (shops, shopping malls, health and social care institutions, reception offices) as well as people using public transport and taxis, are required to wear a facemask or otherwise cover their faces with mask-like substitutes (scarves, shawls, etc.).

As of 11.11.2020, facemask wearing is mandatory also in some public areas of municipalities with more than 10,000 inhabitants. It is not mandatory to wear a facemask during sports activities as well as in parks and green areas.

Physical Distancing

The interpersonal distance of **1.5 metres** is recommended everywhere, especially in shops. Employers have to implement measures to ensure the interpersonal distancing. Individual sports activities outdoors are allowed.

Source: https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/HUN/7001

25.01.2021

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

Partially

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

Entry from EU Member States and Schengen Associated countries is generally not allowed in lack of a special reason (such as business purposes).

Military convoys and business or diplomatic trips can be exempted from the regulations. Furthermore, an exemption may be granted by the police if entry also is for court, administrative, family, health, education or other legitimate reasons and if health screening is negative; however, also exempted people have to self-quarantine for 10 days. The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Hungarian citizens returning from abroad will have to quarantine, unless they undergo a double testing procedure, providing the negative results of 2 PCR tests not older than five days and taken with a time difference of 48 hours. It is possible to perform the 2 PCR tests upon arrival in Hungary as well. The first test can be also performed in a Schengen country, the United States or Canada.

The same procedure (quarantine/double PCR testing) applies to foreign students and foreign citizens with reasonable grounds to enter.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours, but they may not leave this lane. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometre lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometre lane from the border of the neighbouring state for less than 24 hours.

Find out more:

Consular Services (Hungarian)
Information from Budapest Airport

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?

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Flights to and from the UK have been resumed, provided that travellers undergo a mandatory quarantine.

May I transit this country?

Partially

Travellers can transit Hungary provided that they undergo a medical check-up upon entry. Furthermore, satisfactory proof of the objective and destination of their travel has to be provided, confirming that their entry to the destination country and neighbouring country in their route is allowed. Citizens of neighbouring states and Hungarian citizens living there could enter the territory of Hungary within a distance of 30 kilometres from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours. The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Find out more:

Humanitarian corridor

Safety measures

General measures

As of 11.11.2020, a **curfew is in place from 20:00 to 5:00** and only movements for essential reasons are allowed (work, health, taking the dog for a walk within 500 metres from the place of residence). In order to go out, it is always required to bring a specific certificate.

Find out more:

Current measures (in Hungarian)

Health cover for temporary stays

Use of facemasks

People visiting public places (shops, shopping malls, health and social care institutions, reception offices) as well as people using public transport and taxis, are required to wear a facemask or otherwise cover their faces with mask-like substitutes (scarves, shawls, etc.).

As of 11.11.2020, facemask wearing is mandatory also in some public areas of municipalities with more than 10,000 inhabitants. It is not mandatory to wear a facemask during sports activities as well as in parks and green areas.

Physical Distancing

The interpersonal distance of **1.5 metres** is recommended everywhere, especially in shops. Employers have to implement measures to ensure the interpersonal distancing. Individual sports activities outdoors are allowed.

14.12.2020

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

Partially

Entry Restrictions

Entry from EU Member States + Schengen Associated countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

Rules and Exceptions

Military convoys and business or diplomatic trips can be exempted from the regulations. Furthermore, exemption may be granted by the police if entry also is for court, administrative, family, health, education or other legitimate reasons and if health screening is negative; however, also exempted people have to self-quarantine for 10 days. The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Hungarian citizens returning from high-risk countries will have to quarantine, unless they undergo a double testing procedure, providing the negative results of 2 PCR tests not older than five days and taken with a time difference of 48 hours. It is possible to perform the 2 PCR tests upon arrival in Hungary as well. The first test can be also performed in a Schengen country, the United States or Canada.

The same procedure (quarantine/double testing) applies to foreign students and foreign citizens with reasonable grounds to enter.

Hungarian citizens may return home from abroad without restrictions if the reason for the trip was a business or economic activity.

Those who can prove with either a Hungarian or English language document that they have recovered from COVID-19 in the past 6 months (e.g.: PCR test results, verification by a health service provider or authority) can enter Hungary without restrictions.

Citizens of neighboring states and Hungarian citizens living there may enter the territory within a distance of 30 kilometers from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours. Hungarians living in this 30-kilometer lane can also enter if they have stayed in the 30-kilometer lane from the border of the neighboring state for less than 24 hours.

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

Entry from third countries is generally **not allowed without a special reason**.

May I transit this country?

Partially

Travellers can transit Hungary provided that they undergo a medical check-up upon entry. Furthermore, satisfactory proof of the objective and destination of their travel has to be provided, confirming that their entry to the destination country and neighbouring country in their route is allowed. Citizens of neighboring states and Hungarian citizens living there could enter the territory of Hungary within a distance of 30 kilometers from the state border for a maximum of 24 hours. The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary remains open.

Find out more:

Humanitarian corridor

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15.09.2020

Travelling to Hungary
As of 1 September, foreign citizens will not be allowed to enter Hungary without a special reason. Citizens of Visegrad Group Countries are allowed to enter Hungary if they can show negative coronavirus test not older than five days.

Transit

A non-Hungarian citizen arriving from abroad may enter the territory of Hungary for the purpose of transit. Additional conditions for entry:

a) the non-Hungarian citizen coming from abroad has provided the entry conditions in the SBC;

b) the non-Hungarian citizen coming from abroad satisfactorily proves the purpose of the journey and the country of destination of the journey;

c) the entry into the country of destination and entry into a neighbouring state on the route of the planned journey is ensured.

Travelling from Hungary or returning to Hungary
Hungarian citizens returning from abroad will have to self-quarantine for 14 days, or until they produce two negative tests taken two days apart.

The Hungarian Consular Service provides **Travel advice per Country** (in Hungarian).

Rules and Exceptions
Military convoys and business or diplomatic trips can be exempted from the regulations. Furthermore, exemption may be granted by the police if entry also is for court, administrative, family, health, education or other legitimate reasons and if health screening is negative; however, also exempted people have to self-quarantine. Czech, Slovak or Polish citizens may enter if they reserved accommodation for a date no later than 30/09/2020 and have a negative COVID test. The humanitarian corridor for commuters transiting Hungary would remain open. Citizens of Visegrad Group Countries are allowed to enter Hungary if they can show negative coronavirus test not older than five days.

Foreign students will have to produce negative tests to be allowed to study in Hungary.

28.08.2020

Travelling to Hungary
Travelling from EU and EEA countries is, in general, allowed. Depending on their epidemiological situation, Hungary divides **countries in three categories (green, yellow and red)**. For each category, a different set of rules of entry applies. Travellers can enter Hungary without any restrictions from countries belonging to the green category.

Travelling from Hungary or returning to Hungary
Hungarian citizens entering Hungary from countries in the **gre en** category are allowed to enter Hungary **without restrictions**.

Hungarian citiziens arriving from **yellow** or **red** labelled countries are subject to **obligatory health checks**. If coronavirus infection is detected, they have to go into quarantine for 14 days as prescribed by the epidemiological authority.

No quarantine is needed for Hungarian citizens crossing the border who can prove, with a certificate written in Hungarian or English, the negative results of two SARS-CoV-2 tests (molecular examination in compliance with professional medical practice) performed at different times with at least 48 hours between them in the course of the preceding 5 days.

The Hungarian Consular Service provides **Travel advice per Country** (in Hungarian).

Rules and Exceptions
the following persons are allowed to enter Hungary without restrictions:
- Hungarian nationals,
- EU nationals and nationals of EEA member states and Switzerland (see countries are classified as "green", "yellow" or "red" for restrictions),
-third country family members of the above mentioned persons,
- Those foreign nationals who do not fall under the above categories, and are entitled to stay in Hungary for more than 90 days, are allowed to enter Hungary, provided they present upon entry a valid official permit issued by the Hungarian immigration authority, proving their entitlement to long-term stay. Also, they are obliged to spend 14 days in self-isolation or in official quarantine, depending on the result of the mandatory medical examination at the border. Requirements for exemption of the quarantine regulation: 2 negative SARS-CoV-2 molecular test results (medical certificate issued either in English or in Hungarian) conducted within five day prior to entering Hungary.

Mandatory Travel Documentation
No special documentation is required.

Links to national sources
Consular Services (Hungarian)
Information from Budapest Airport

Documents you need to travel in Europe

Source: https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/HUN

Entry restriction to non-Hungarian citizens (16.03.2020)

Pursuant to the decision of the Government, Hungarian authorities will close the borders of Hungary from passenger traffic, so from 00:00 on 17 March 2020, only Hungarian citizens will be allowed to enter the country. The restriction relates to all road, railway, water and air borders.

Start date: 17.03.2020

End date: not available

Further information: http://www.police.hu/hu/hirek-es-informaciok/legfrissebb-hireink/hatarre...

Temporary and limited relaxation of the enforcement of driving and rest times for the drivers of vehicles (20.03.2020)

Hungary has notified a temporary and limited relaxation of the enforecement of driving and rest times for the drivers involved in domestic and international transport under Article 14(2) of Regulation (EC) No 561/2006.

Start date: 21.03.2020

End date: 19.04.2020

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