DESY-INFO: Entry from risk areas / return journey from inner-German district with relevant infection situation

DESY Guidelines Coronavirus/COVID-19

This leaflet describes the procedure for entering Germany from risk areas or inner-German districts with a relevant infection situation.

Basic regulation
Persons who have spent the last 14 days in a risk area designated by the RKI or in an inner-German district\(^1\) with a relevant infection situation that is treated as equivalent by the competent authorities in Hamburg or Brandenburg are generally subject to a 14-day quarantine obligation.

Information on the daily designation of international risk areas can be found on the following website:

[www.rki.de > risk areas](https://www.rki.de) (in German)
For English version please see "English archive" on the bottom.

The current situation report of the RKI in German districts with relevant infection situation can be found on the following website:

[www.rki.de > Situation report on inner-German districts](https://www.rki.de) (in German)
English translation of the report available

**Important!** A short-term presence in a risk area, e.g. as part of a transit, is not considered a stay.

Exception
Persons entering from a risk area can be exempted from the 14-day quarantine obligation if they observe the following:

1. **A molecular biological test** for the presence of infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 was carried out no more than 48 hours before entry into the Federal Republic of Germany.
   
   For reasons of reliability, the test must have been carried out in a member state of the European Union or in a state with comparable quality standards. The countries with comparable quality standards are published by the Robert Koch Institute at: [www.rki.de > Tests](https://www.rki.de) (in German; for English version please see “English archive” on the bottom).

2. **In addition, a medical certificate** in German or English must be submitted to confirm that there are no indications of infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. The medical certificate must be based on the molecular biological test.

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\(^1\) This refers to districts in which, according to RKI publications, the number of new infections per 100,000 inhabitants is higher than 50 in the last seven days.
Please note!

Both documents must be presented to the Hamburg or Brandenburg health authorities before you can start work. The test result alone is not sufficient.

The medical certificate must be kept for at least 14 days after entry.

All persons entering the country under the exemption regulation should limit social and professional contacts to the absolutely necessary minimum until the 14th day after entry.

If you have any questions, please contact health.service@desy.de.