

Current regulations upon entering Germany (COVID 19)

Please mind the following official summary of the current regulations (available in different languages):

- <https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus-infos-reisende/einreise-sms/entry-sms.html>
- <https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus-infos-reisende/merkblatt-dea.html> (available in **several languages**)
- <https://www.integrationsbeauftragte.de/ib-de/staatsministerin/corona> (available in **several languages**)

B What do I have to consider when coming back to Germany from abroad?

Please bear in mind the following regulations when coming back to Germany from abroad:

Everybody entering Germany is required to present a **negative test result** (time of testing: PCR max. 72 hours / antigen test max. 48 hours (virus variant area max. 24 hours) prior to arrival in Germany) *or* a **proof of full vaccination or recovery** from the virus.

Please check if the country of origin you are returning from is evaluated as **high risk or virus variant area**

https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete_neu.html

Please check in particular if you come from an area with an extraordinary high infection rate of COVID 19 (**high risk area**) or an area where new versions (mutations) of the corona virus have been spreading (**virus variant area**). Those regions are also listed on the above mentioned website. If you come from one of those regions, please mind the special regulations regarding the requirement of testing and quarantine.

Please check the website shortly before your departure as the situation is constantly changing.

If you are returning from a **high risk / virus variant area** mind the following:

1. **Before** entering Germany one has to conduct a **digital registration** which can be conducted here (available in **several languages**): www.einreiseanmeldung.de (might be controlled upon arrival).
2. Please take some time and read all the information provided on the following page of the German Ministry of Health: <https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus/current-information-for-travellers.html>
3. **Mandatory Quarantine** means that you must proceed directly to your home – or other place of accommodation at your destination – upon arrival and remain isolated there. Please mind the following regulations.

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	test obligation	quarantine
other area	Prior to arrival: negative test (PCR max. 72 hours or antigen max. 48 hours) or proof or vaccination / recovery. Control at border and when entering plane if applicable.	None.
high-incidence area	Prior to arrival: negative test (PCR max. 72 hours or antigen max. 48 hours) or proof or vaccination / recovery. Control at border and when entering plane if applicable.	10 days, can be lifted from the 5th day through negative test (PCR or antigen) or can be lifted from the 1st day through proof or vaccination / recovery (must be uploaded at https://www.einreiseanmeldung.de/#/)
virus variant area	Prior to arrival: negative test (PCR max. 72 hours or antigen max. 24 hours). This does also apply for vaccinated or recovered persons. Control at border and when entering plane if applicable.	14 days, no earlier lifting possible. This does also apply for vaccinated or recovered persons.

4. In case you get a positive test result during quarantine time, the latter will be extended. In that case you will receive further instructions from your corresponding public health office.

5. Advice on tests:

- All tests have to comply with the criteria listed on the following website: <https://www.rki.de/tests>
 - o **Recognized tests:** PCR, LAMP, TMA tests, antigen tests and rapid antigen tests (minimum criteria: over 80% sensitivity and over 97% specificity, according to package insert)
 - o **Non-recognized tests: antibody tests**
 - o **Accepted form:** printed version on paper or electronically, in German, English, French, Spanish or Italian.

6. Advice on proof of recovery or vaccination:

- Those proves have to comply with the following regulations: <https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus-infos-reisende/faq-tests-einreise-englisch.html>

7. Virus Variant Area

- **Germany imposed a travel ban and refusal of entry from those countries.** Transport companies, e.g. air carriers and railway companies, may **not transport** any persons from these countries to Germany. Furthermore, **entering** Germany from those countries, also by car, is **prohibited**. There are only a few, strictly defined **exceptions** to this travel ban and refusal of entry, namely for:
 - o **German citizens**
 - o Persons who are **resident in Germany** with a current right to reside / **residence permit** in the country

What do I have to consider when entering the university after returning from abroad?

When entering the BURG, the 3G rule applies. Only people with proof of vaccination, recent recovery or a current negative test may enter campus. A close control of stays abroad no longer takes place, the 3G status ensures that the BURG may be entered.

How can I get tested for COVID 19?

You can call 116 117 or check www.116117.de to find out where in your vicinity you can get tested. If you intend / have to conduct a test in Halle there are several appropriate venues in the city: <https://www.halle.de/de/Verwaltung/Gesundheit/Corona-Virus/Hinweise-zu-Testmoeg-10474/index.aspx>

If you wish to be tested by your family doctor, please be sure to call the office in advance. By all means, it is vital that you quarantine yourself until you receive your test results. Not all doctors conduct corona tests.

What do I have to consider when being in quarantine?

During the quarantine period, you are not allowed leave your house or apartment, nor receive guests. Any non-compliance with the quarantine rules can be penalised by fine!

During the quarantine period, you are not allowed leave your house or apartment, nor receive guests. You are also not allowed to go to the supermarket. You may ask friends and persons in your environment to go shopping for you. Otherwise, you will have to use delivery services. There are supermarkets in Halle offering the delivery of food.