EMERGENCY MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority, pursuant to Section 80(1)(g) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Public Health Protection and amendments to certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), orders this Extraordinary Measure, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population from the further spreading of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

I.

Effective from 9 March 2021, employees who themselves performed a test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen using a test provided by the employer or who were tested by a non-professional, are ordered, if the result of the test is positive, to immediately inform their employer about their planned absence from the workplace due to suspected positivity for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 virus, to leave the workplace and return to their current residence address and to notify the employer’s occupational healthcare provider of the result of the test without delay, if the employer has so determined, otherwise to notify their registering provider of healthcare services in the field of general practical medicine or, where applicable, the field of paediatric practical medicine. If the employee is unable to notify the provider of healthcare services in accordance with the first sentence, he/she is obliged to contact another provider of healthcare services or public health protection authority which holds jurisdiction over his/her place of work in order for determination of further procedures to be followed.

II.

Effective from 9 March 2021, employers who ensure tests to determine the presence of the SARS CoV-2 virus antigen for their employees, which can be used by a lay person, are ordered to keep records of the tests performed among the employees.

III.

The healthcare service provider or public health protection authority that was notified about the positive result of a test pursuant to Art. I is obliged to issue an order form to the person specified in Art. I without delay for performance of an RT-PCR test confirmation test to examine him/her for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. In the electronic application module of the Information System of Infection Diseases (ISIN), the healthcare service provider or public health protection authority is obliged to indicate that it is a confirmation RT-PCR test for self-testing and specify the employer identification number of this entity.
IV.

The person for whom the order form for the confirmation test pursuant to Art. II was issued is obliged to undergo this testing without undue delay.

V.

Effective from 9 March 2021, the Extraordinary Measure of 1 March 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 47828/2020-15/MIN/KAN, is repealed.

VI.

This Extraordinary Measure takes effect on the date it is issued.