



# RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

of 18 March 2021, No. 299

## Adopting an Emergency Measure

In connection with Government Resolution No. 196 of 26 February 2021, under which the Government, pursuant to Articles 5 and 6 of Constitutional Act No. 110/1998 Coll., on the Security of the Czech Republic, declared a state of emergency in the Czech Republic due to the threat to health in connection with the documented occurrence of the coronavirus (identified as SARS CoV-2) in the Czech Republic, and within the meaning of Section 5 (a) through (e) and Section 6 of Act No. 240/2000 Coll., on Crisis Management, and on the amendment of certain acts (the Crisis Act), as amended, in order to deal with the arising crisis, it has decided to adopt crisis measures, within the meaning of Section 5(c) and Section 6 (1)(b) of the Crisis Act.

In order to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 disease through increased mobility between districts and in order to strengthen personal responsibility and prevention in resolving the crisis situation related to the incidence of COVID-19, the **government**, effective from 12:00 a.m. on 22 March 2021 until 11:59 p.m. on 28 March 2021, restricts the free movement of persons in the Czech Republic, in that it

### I. prohibits

1. all persons from leaving the territory of the district or City of Prague, in which they have their permanent residence or dwelling; a dwelling for the purposes of this measure also refers to their own recreational facility, if the person lives here continuously as at the effective date of this measure, under the condition that only members of one household can live simultaneously in such a recreational facility,
2. the entry to, movement and presence in the district or City of Prague for all persons who do not have their place of residence or dwelling in this district or City of Prague,

### II. stipulates the following exemptions from the prohibitions under point I:

1. travel to work and for the purpose of carrying out business or other similar activities and for carrying out the duties of a public official or constitutional authority;
2. essential travel for the purpose of ensuring vital needs for relatives or next of kin or needs for another person (e.g. volunteering, neighborly assistance), ensuring child care and exercising the right to maintain personal contact between parents and minor children, including ensuring the necessary accompaniment of minor children travelling for the purpose of personal contact with parents, ensuring pet care, waste disposal,
3. essential travel to healthcare facilities or to use social services, including the necessary accompaniment of relatives and close persons, and to veterinary care facilities,
4. travel for the purpose of arranging urgent official matters, including arranging the necessary accompaniment of relatives and close persons,
5. performing an occupation or activities serving to ensure:
  - a) security and safety, internal order, and crisis management;
  - b) protection of health, provision of medical or social care, including volunteering;
  - c) individual spiritual care and services;
  - d) mass public transport and other infrastructures;
  - e) services for citizens, including supply and delivery services;

- f) veterinary care;
- 6. attendance at funerals, with no more than 15 persons attending,
- 7. travel for the purpose of education, including practical training and examinations,
- 8. attendance at large events permitted under point IX,
- 9. travel for the purpose of elections and meetings of bodies of legal entities in the municipality of their registered office under the conditions stipulated in point X,
- 10. travel for the purpose of visiting a child in foster care or institutional or protective educational care by next of kin,
- 11. travel back to the place of permanent residence or dwelling,
- 12. travel for the purpose of leaving the Czech Republic;

**III. orders** within the framework of the presence and movement of persons in the territory of the district or City of Prague

1. the prohibition of the free movement of persons within the district or City of Prague in the period from 9:00 p.m. to 4:59 a.m., except for:
  - a) travel to work and for the purpose of carrying out business or other similar activities and for carrying out the duties of a public official or constitutional authority;
  - b) performing his/her occupation;
  - c) performing activities serving to ensure:
    - i) security and safety, internal order, and crisis management;
    - ii) protection of health, provision of medical or social care;
    - iii) mass public transport and other infrastructures;
    - iv) services for citizens, including supply and delivery services;
  - d) urgent trips that are necessary even at night due to the protection of life, health, assets or other statutorily protected interests;
  - e) walking dogs within 500 meters of his/her place of residence;
  - f) attendance at large events permitted under point IX of this crisis measure,
  - g) travel back to one's home;
2. to be present at the place of permanent residence or dwelling from 5:00 a.m. to 8:59 p.m., with the exception of
  - a) the cases listed in point II,
  - b) essential travel for the purpose of purchasing goods and services or providing services with the essential number of people,
  - c) travel for the purpose of being in nature or parks and exercising on outdoor sports grounds, under the condition that only members of one household are present simultaneously,
  - d) staying at one's own recreational facility, under the condition of the simultaneous presence of only the members of one household at such a recreational facility and the potential movement of these persons for the purpose of being in nature or parks or exercising on outdoor sports grounds,
  - e) attendance at weddings or declarations of entry into registered partnerships, with the participation of no more than 15 persons, or visits to a cemetery,
  - f) attendance at gatherings pursuant to point VI of this crisis measure,
3. to limit to the essential degree contact with persons other than household members, except for contact between parents and minor children,
4. the presence at publicly accessible locations in groups of maximally 2 persons, except for household members, accompaniment pursuant to points II/3 and 4, employees performing work for the same employer, persons collectively performing business or other similar activity, persons collectively performing activities which they are obliged to perform by law and which must be performed in a greater number of persons, children, pupils and students during the provision of education at schools and school facilities, and to maintain a distance of at least 2 meters from other persons, if possible,
5. employers to make use of remote work, if employees can perform it at their place of

permanent residence or dwelling with regard to the character of work and operating conditions;

**IV. imposes** on all persons who have reached at least 15 years of age, exercising the exemptions pursuant to:

1. point II/1, the obligation to prove the justification of exercising this exemption by written confirmation from the employer or body for which the duties of a public functionary or constitutional functionary are performed, or an employment contract or employee card containing the necessary data, or a written document with the specific reason for performing the business or other similar activity, including a specification of the place of performance of the activity and contact data of the client or person for which the activity is being performed,
2. points II/2 to 12, the obligation to prove the justification of exercising these exemptions by means of a written document or affidavit specifying the specific reason pursuant to points II/2 through 9 and 12; the justification of exercising the exemption pursuant to point II/12 must also be proven by documents related to leaving the Czech Republic;

**V. prohibits** the residence of foreigners in the Czech Republic if, after the effective date of this Government Resolution, they arrive for reasons other than those under point II, or if they arrived contrary to the protective measures of the Ministry of Health;

**VI. restricts** the right to peaceful assembly pursuant to Act No. 84/1990 Coll., on the Right of Assembly, as amended, in that every participant is obliged to use protective respiratory equipment in accordance with the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health, Ref. No. MZDR 15757/2020-45/MIN/KAN, of 26 February 2021, and

1. gatherings, if not a gathering pursuant to point 2, may be held outside of the indoor premises of buildings and may be attended by a maximum of 100 participants in groups of a maximum of 20 participants, maintaining a distance of at least 2 meters between the groups,
2. gatherings organized by a church or religious society in a church or in another room intended for religious ceremonies cannot be attended by more persons than corresponds to the occupancy of at most 10% of the seats, where the attendees, with the exception of the persons conducting or organizing the ceremony, sit for most of the time on seats, comply, with the exception of members of the same household, with distancing of at least 2 meters between attendees sitting in one row of seats, before entering the indoor space they disinfect their hands, hands are not shaken when greeting the room and as a part of the gathering there is no mass singing, with the exception of cases when the singers or choir are separated from the other participants in such a gathering in such a way as to prevent the spread of droplets.

**VII. strongly recommends** remaining at the place of permanent residence or dwelling only with members of one's own household and persons providing care for a household member;

**VIII. stipulates** that the obligations stipulated in points I through III do not apply to persons who are provably in transit through the Czech Republic or the territory or City of Prague, in particular employees of international or domestic freight; such persons in transit are prohibited from stopping in the territory of the Czech Republic, district or City of Prague unless absolutely essential;

**IX. appoints** the Ministry of Health to stipulate the binding hygienic/epidemiological conditions for mass events otherwise prohibited due to this Emergency Measure, upon the observance of which they may be held for reasons worthy of consideration, namely if these are events in the important interest of the state or important sporting matches or competitions;

**X. limits** the holding of elections of bodies of legal entities and meetings of the bodies of legal entities, except for the bodies of local governments, in that they cannot be attended

by more than 10 persons in one place:

1. each person uses a medical face mask (surgical mask) or respirator or half-mask without an exhalation valve with a minimum filtration level of FFP2, KN95 or N95 to protect the respiratory passages,
2. the persons are seated so as to maintain a distance of 2 meters, except for household members,
3. each person submits confirmation of a negative result of an antigen test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen or an RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, performed no more than 3 days previously, to the convener of the meeting or other authorized person before the start of the meeting,
4. the meeting is attended by a maximum of 50 persons, unless it is a meeting that is essential to fulfil obligations imposed by the law, including the election of bodies;

**XI. strongly recommends** that the operator of children's playgrounds, including municipalities, close the premises of children's playgrounds;

**XII. orders** the 1st Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior to grant the exceptions pursuant to points I through IV of this resolution.

**To be executed by:**

Members of the Government  
Heads of other central administrative authorities

**Cc:**

Governors,  
Mayor of the City of Prague, Mayors

Ing. Andrej  
Babiš, Prime  
Minister