EXTRAORDINARY 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 the amendment of certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), orders, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on the protection of the population and prevention of the danger of the creation and spread of COVID-19 caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, this extraordinary measure:

I. Effective from 15 June 2021, the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 19 April 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 16640/2021-1/MIN/KAN, as amended by the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 3 May 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 16640/2021-2/MIN/KAN, the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 17 May 2021, Ref. No. MZDR 16640/2021-3/MIN/KAN and the Extraordinary Measure of the Ministry of Health of 22 May 21735/2021-1/MIN/KAN is amended, this being in such a way that

1. point c) in Art. III has the following wording:
   “c) has taken an RT-PCR test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus with a negative result no more than 7 days ago, or”;

2. points d) to f) are added after point c) in Art. III, these with the following wording:
   “d) has taken a POC test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen with a negative result no more than 72 hours ago, or

   e) has taken an antigen test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, intended for self-testing or permitted by the Ministry of Health for use by non-professionals, no more than 72 hours ago within the framework of testing employees stipulated by another extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health, which was provided to the person by their employer, with a negative result; this fact is demonstrated by means of confirmation from the employer or an affidavit, or

   f) at a higher education institution, or at school or educational facility, a person who has taken a test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, intended for self-testing or permitted by the Ministry of Health for self-testing or for use by non-professionals, no more than 72 hours ago pursuant to this or another extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health, with a negative result; this fact is demonstrated by an affidavit, or by means of an
affidavit from the person’s legal guardian or confirmation from the school or educational facility.”

3. the words “and d)” are inserted after the words “point c)” in Art. VII,

4. in Art. XVI, the full stop at the end of point b) is replaced by the word “or” and points c) and d) are added with the following wording:

“c) has taken an antigen test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, intended for self-testing or permitted by the Ministry of Health for use by non-professionals, no more than 72 hours ago within the framework of testing employees stipulated by another extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health, which was provided to the person by their employer, with a negative result; this fact is demonstrated by means of confirmation from the employer or an affidavit, or

d) at a higher education institution, or at school or educational facility, a person who has taken a test to determine the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen, intended for self-testing or permitted by the Ministry of Health for self-testing or for use by non-professionals, no more than 72 hours ago pursuant to this or another extraordinary measure of the Ministry of Health, with a negative result; this fact is demonstrated by an affidavit, or by means of an affidavit from the person’s legal guardian or confirmation from the school or educational facility.”.

II.

This extraordinary measure takes effect on the date of its issue.

Rationale:

From an overall point of view of the current development of the epidemiological situation in the occurrence of the COVID-19 disease within the territory of the Czech Republic, no fluctuations are evident, nor any risky indications pointing towards any negative impact of the gradual and controlled relaxation of restrictions on activities over the past few weeks, as we are continuing to observe a continuous falling trend in all of the monitored epidemiological parameters, i.e. in the values of the 7-day incidence, the 7-day rolling average, the number of newly reported cases in the 65+ age group, the number of hospitalisations and relative positivity of clinically and epidemiologically indicated tests. We can therefore say that the current development of the epidemiological situation is auspicious in view of the current values of these epidemiological indicators and the overall trend.

For this reason, it is possible to accede to further controlled relaxation of the rules. The rules for proving that a person is “infection-free” via testing for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus or its antigen for the purposes of allowing the presence of persons at higher education institutions or during entrance exams at higher education institutions are modified in such a way that the options for proving this “infection-free” status are extended, or the validity of documents is prolonged in a similar regime to that which applies for other situations in life posing a similar epidemiological risk in accordance with other extraordinary measures. At this moment in time, full-time tuition in person is no longer being performed nationwide at higher education institutions.

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