

# GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

## RESOLUTION No 152

### DECLARING A STATE OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY

26 February 2020

Vilnius

In pursuance of Article 6(1)(e), Articles 25 and 27 of Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code), Article Article 8 and Article 9(11) and (19), Article 21(2)(1) and Article 26(1)(2) of the Law on Civil Protection, Article 10 of the Law of the Republic of Lithuania on the State Border and the Guard Thereof, having regard to Council Recommendation 2020/1475 of 13 October 2021 on a coordinated approach to the restriction of free movement in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, to the proposal of the meeting of the Emergency Commission of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania of 23 June 2021, and with a view to protecting the population and the environment against the entry and spread of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection), as well as preventing a new outbreak of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) in the territory of the country, the Government of the Republic of Lithuania has r e s o l v e d:

1. To declare:

1.1. a state of national emergency due to the threat of the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus infection);

1.2. the secondary (enhanced) level of preparedness of the civil protection system.

2. To establish the following temporary conditions for the restriction and/or closing of the state border crossing:

2.1. Border crossing will be closed at the following border crossing points:

2.1.1. Ramoniškiai - Pogranichny;

2.1.2. Nida - Morskoe;

2.1.3. Adutiškis - Moldevichi;

2.1.4. Krakūnai - Geraneny;

2.1.5. Eišiškės - Dotishki;

2.1.6. Rakai - Petyulevtsy;

2.1.7. Norviliškės - Pitskuny;

2.1.8. Latežeris - Parecha;

2.1.9. Švendubrė - Privalka;

2.1.10. Nida - Rybachy;

2.1.11. Jurbarkas - Sovetsk;

2.1.12. Rusnė - Sovetsk.

2.2. Border crossing will be restricted at the following border crossing points:

2.2.1. by road:

2.2.1.1. Medininkai - Kamenyi Log;

2.2.1.2. Šalčininkai - Benjekoni;

2.2.1.3. Raigardas - Privalka;

2.2.1.4. Kybartai - Chernyshevskoye;

- 2.2.1.5. Panemunė - Sovetsk;
- 2.2.1.6. Lavoriškės - Kotlovka;
- 2.2.1.7. Tverečius - Vidzy;
- 2.2.1.8. Papelekis - Lyntupy (only for vehicles transporting

large-size and heavy-weight cargo holding a permit issued in accordance with the procedure established by law);

- 2.2.1.9. Šumskas - Losha;
- 2.2.2. by rail:
  - 2.2.2.1. Kena- Gudagai;
  - 2.2.2.2. Vilnius railway station border checkpoint;
  - 2.2.2.3. Stasylos - Benjekoni;
  - 2.2.2.4. Kybartai - Nesterov;
  - 2.2.2.5. Pagėgiai - Sovetsk;
- 2.2.3. international airports' border checkpoints:
  - 2.2.3.1. Vilnius;
  - 2.2.3.2. Kaunas;
  - 2.2.3.3. Palanga;
  - 2.2.3.4. Šiauliai;
- 2.2.4. international seaports' border checkpoints:
  - 2.2.4.1. Pilies;
  - 2.2.4.2. Malkų įlankos;
  - 2.2.4.3. Būtingė oil terminal;
  - 2.2.4.4. Molo.

2.3. Border crossing will be restricted preventing entry of foreigners to the Republic of Lithuania. This will not apply in the case of:

- 2.3.1. the citizens of and persons lawfully residing in the countries of the European Economic Area, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Principality of Andorra, the Principality of Monaco, the Republic of San Marino and the Holy See (Vatican City State), the countries that have been included in the EU-level list of third countries whose residents should not be affected by temporary external border restriction on non-essential travel to European Union;
- 2.3.2. foreigners who hold a document confirming their right to reside in the Republic of Lithuania, or in whose respect the Migration Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania has adopted a decision to issue a document confirming the right to reside in the Republic of Lithuania or has sent a notice regarding the submission, within the set deadline, of the original documents and biometric data required for the decision to issue a document confirming the right to reside in the Republic of Lithuania, and foreigners who are a spouse, a person, with whom a registered partnership agreement has been concluded (hereinafter 'the partner'), a close relative (parents (adoptive parents) children (adopted children), grandparents, grandchildren, brothers and sisters) (hereinafter a 'close relative'), including close relatives of the spouse or partner, or a guardian of a citizen of the Republic of Lithuania or of a foreigner who holds a document confirming the right to reside in the Republic of Lithuania;
- 2.3.3. foreigners who hold a national visa of the Republic of Lithuania or in whose respect the Migration Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania has adopted a decision to issue a national visa;
- 2.3.4. persons enjoying immunities and privileges under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (1961), the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (1963) and under other

international agreements and legislation of the Republic of Lithuania, their family members (the spouse or partner, children (adopted children) of the person and/or the spouse or partner, also parents (adoptive parents), guardians (hereinafter ‘family members’), their other close relatives, also their service personnel, and members of official delegations;

2.3.5. persons serving in the military units of NATO and of NATO countries and their service personnel, their family members, and their other close relatives;

2.3.6. crew members, who are employed in Lithuanian companies engaged in international commercial transportation, or who carry out international commercial transportation by all types of vehicles, also seafarers;

2.3.7. health professionals arriving into the Republic of Lithuania for the provision of health services;

2.3.8. high-performance athletes, professionals of high-performance sports and physical activity, instructors of high-performance sports and physical activity and their family members, competition referees or other key personnel of competitions, and sports medical personnel, who come to the Republic of Lithuania at the permission of the Minister for Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania for the preparation for and participation in high-performance athletic competitions;

2.3.9. artists arriving in the Republic of Lithuania at the permission of the Minister for Culture of the Republic of Lithuania for the participation in professional artistic activities, and their service personnel;

2.3.10. journalists arriving in the Republic of Lithuania at the permission of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania;

2.3.11. other exceptional cases, where foreigners are allowed entry to the Republic of Lithuania at an individual permission by a minister holding jurisdiction in the respective realm;

2.3.12. persons transiting through the territory of the Republic of Lithuania:

2.3.12.1. persons returning to their country of residence;

2.3.12.2. persons in whose respect a reasoned request has been made by a foreign country;

2.3.12.3. persons using facilitated transit of persons to travel between the territory of the Russian Federation and the Kaliningrad region of the Russian Federation. Such transit of persons can only be carried out through Kena railway border checkpoint and Kybartai railway border checkpoint under the conditions laid down by the Minister for Foreign affairs of the Republic of Lithuania;

2.3.12.4 foreigners travelling by transit trains referred to in paragraph 2.3.12.3 of this Resolution with no right to board and disembark in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania;

2.3.12.5. foreigners holding a long-stay national visa issued by one of the Schengen States applying the Schengen acquis in full travelling to the Schengen State which has issued the long-stay national visa;

2.3.12.6. family members of the citizens of the European Union, the European Economic Area or Switzerland travelling together or joining them (a spouse or person with whom a registered partnership agreement has been concluded (hereinafter ‘the partner’), under 21 years-of-age direct descendants or dependants, including the descendants or dependants of the spouse or registered partner, direct dependant relatives in the ascending line, including the respective relatives of the spouse or registered partner);

2.3.13. foreigners entering the Republic of Lithuania for the purpose of studies, admitted for studies under a study programme(s) or for doctoral studies in Lithuanian higher education and research institutions, which ensure the requirements laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations regarding isolation of foreigners arriving for the purpose of studies;

2.3.14. foreigners coming to training organisations based in the Republic of Lithuania approved by a competent authority, or organisations that use flight simulators, to participate in training for aviation specialists at the invitation of these organisations;

2.3.15. foreign investors arriving in the Republic of Lithuania at the permission of the Minister for Economy and Innovation, where there is a confirmation from a public institution specified in Article 13(4) of the Law of the Republic of Lithuania on Investments regarding foreign investors' plans for investments in the Republic of Lithuania, which are of the minimum value referred to in Article 13(1)(6) of the Law on Investments;

2.3.16. foreigners arriving in the Republic of Lithuania for special humanitarian reasons at the permission of the Minister for the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania, where there is a reasoned recommendation by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania or his authorised person regarding the entry of foreigners to the Republic of Lithuania;

2.3.17. foreigners arriving in the Republic of Lithuania to attend the funeral of a spouse, partner, close relatives, including the close relatives of the spouse or partner, or of a guardian;

2.3.18. foreigners coming to the intelligence authorities of the Republic of Lithuania for purposes related to ensuring national security at the permission of the Minister for National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania or the Director of the State Security Department of the Republic of Lithuania, respectively;

2.3.19. foreigners holding a document issued by a medical establishment in one of the official languages of the European Union, a country-specific vaccination certificate, an international vaccination certificate or a European Union digital COVID certificate drawn up after European Commission recommendations, confirming the complete vaccination with one of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) vaccines (COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen, Comirnaty, Spikevax, or Vaxzevria) administered under the vaccination schedule approved by the competent authority of the country where the vaccination was carried out, if at least 14 days have passed after the administration of a dose of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) vaccine, and the person has been vaccinated with:

2.3.19.1. the second dose under the two-dose vaccination schedule;

2.3.19.2. one dose under the single-dose vaccination schedule;

2.3.19.3. at least one dose in the case of the recovery of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) confirmed by a positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test result;

2.3.20. foreigners under 16 years.

2.4. Foreigners referred to in paragraph 2.3 of this Resolution must comply with the self-isolation requirements laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations, except for foreigners referred to in paragraphs 2.3.4, 2.3.5, 2.3.12 and 2.3.18 of this Resolution.

2.5. On their return or arrival in the Republic of Lithuania, all persons travelling on international passenger routes organised and operated by carriers as regular, special and charter services (by all types of vehicles) from countries that are on the list of countries affected by COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) approved by the Minister for Health, must hold a document (in one of the official languages of the European Union) confirming a SARS-CoV-2 PCR test taken within 72 hours (calculating from the moment of sample collection) or an antigen test for COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) taken within 48 hours (calculating from the moment of sample collection) before the return or arrival in the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter 'the COVID-19 test) and a negative result of the COVID-19 test (a serological antibody test result will not be recognised). All the carriers, travel operators and tourism service providers organising and operating passenger carriage on international routes as regular, special and charter services (by all types of vehicles) will be required to ensure that passengers that fail to present the documentation confirming a COVID-19 testing and a negative COVID-19 test result are prevented from boarding a vehicle. The requirements for COVID-19 testing will exempt:

2.5.1. crew members transporting passengers on international routes by all types of vehicles, provided their planned stay in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania is shorter than 24 hours (except the cases where the stay in the Republic of Lithuania is longer than planned for objective reasons);

2.5.2. travellers transiting through the Republic of Lithuania;

2.5.3. travellers (except those who visited, over the last 14 days before the return to/arrival in the Republic of Lithuania, countries that are on the list of countries affected by COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) approved by the Minister for Health as countries whence arrivals fall subject to the enhanced communicable disease control measures) holding one of the following documents in one of the official languages of the European Union:

2.5.3.1. a document from a medical establishment confirming the recovery of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) confirmed by a positive result of a SARS-CoV-2 PCR test and maximum 180 days have passed of the positive testing before the return/entry to the Republic of Lithuania;

2.5.3.2. a document issued by a medical establishment, a country-specific vaccination certificate, or an international vaccination certificate confirming the complete vaccination with one of the COVID-19 vaccines (COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen, Comirnaty, Spikevax, or Vaxzevria) administered under the vaccination schedule approved by the competent authority of the country where the vaccination was carried out, if at least 14 days have passed after the administration of a dose of COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) vaccine, and the person has been vaccinated with:

2.5.3.2.1. the second dose under the two-dose vaccination schedule;

2.5.3.2.2. one dose under the single-dose vaccination schedule;

2.5.3.2.3. at least one dose in the case of the recovery of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) confirmed by a positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test result;

2.5.3.3. a European Union digital COVID certificate drawn up after European Commission recommendations, confirming the fact of the recovery of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) or of the vaccination with one of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) vaccines as referred to in paragraphs 2.5.3.1 or 2.5.3.2 of this Resolution;

2.5.4. those under 16 years;

2.5.5. members of official delegations;

2.5.6. those referred to in paragraph 2.3.16 of this Resolution (they will undergo a COVID-19 test in the Republic of Lithuania).

2.6. Persons who are not subject to the state border crossing restrictions will cross the state border only through the border crossing points listed in paragraph 2.2 of this Resolution.

3. To establish the following state of national emergency response and mitigation measures:

3.1. economic activity restriction measures:

3.1.1. contact services will be provided and stores, marketplaces and other public points of sale, leisure and entertainment venues, public catering facilities, restaurants, cafés, bars, nightclubs, other entertainment venues, gambling houses (casinos) and amusement arcades and bingo halls will operate under the requirements laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, and other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment, except the cases referred to in paragraph 3.1.2 of this Resolution;

3.1.2. services at cinema theatre and cinema clubs, visits to professional stage art venues, commercial and non-commercial cultural, entertainment, sporting events, celebrations, fairs, festivals or other mass gatherings held in public locations of a certain duration at a scheduled time (hereinafter all the services and activities listed in this subparagraph will be called 'events')

will be organised in compliance with the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, and other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment, also following these requirements:

3.1.2.1. ensuring online ticketing and/or registration of spectators and/or participants and controlling access by spectators and/or participants to the venue of the event;

3.1.2.2. in indoor events, spectators and/or participants will watch an event seated (except the cases of animal exhibitions), where events are held at up to 75% seating capacity, except the case referred to in paragraph 3.1.2.4. of this Resolution;

3.1.2.3. in outdoor events, spectators and/or participants will watch an event seated (except the cases referred to in paragraphs 3.1.2.3<sup>1</sup> and 3.1.2.4 of this Resolution and during animal exhibitions);

3.1.2.3<sup>1</sup>. in non-commercial events held outdoors in public spaces, including public celebrations and public festive days lasting up to 2 hours, spectators and/or participants will watch an event while sitting or standing, and these events shall not be subject to the provisions of paragraph 3.1.2.1 of this Resolution.

3.1.2.4. in indoor and outdoor events, where spectators and/or participants watch an event not only from the seats, the number of spectators and/or participants will not be restricted, but it will be required for those persons to be eligible under one the following criteria:

3.1.2.4.1. vaccination with one of the following COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) vaccines:

3.1.2.4.1.1. one week after the second dose of Comirnaty or Spikevax administered under the vaccination schedule, except the case referred to in paragraph 3.1.2.4.1.5 of this Resolution;

3.1.2.4.1.2. two weeks after the dose of the COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen;

3.1.2.4.1.3. four weeks but no longer than 13 weeks after the first dose of Vaxzevria, except the case referred to in paragraph 4.1.5 of this Resolution;

3.1.2.4.1.4. after the second dose of Vaxzevria administered under the vaccination schedule;

3.1.2.4.1.5. two weeks after one dose of Comirnaty, Spikevax, COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen, or Vaxzevria administered to the person who recovered of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) confirmed by a positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test result;

3.1.2.4.2. in the case of the recovery of the COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) confirmed by a positive result of SARS-CoV-2 PCR test or of an antigen test and maximum 210 days have passed of the positive testing (but not before the completion of the mandatory self-isolation period);

3.1.2.4.3. a person who took a COVID-19 test with a negative result thereof: no earlier than 72 hours (calculating from the moment of sample collection) in the case of SARS-CoV-2 PCR test, or no earlier than 48 hours (calculating from the moment of sample collection) in the case of an antigen test;

3.1.2.4.4. children under 16;

3.1.2.5. the number of spectators and/or participants will not include performers, athletes who participate in high-performance athletic competitions, professionals of high-performance sports and physical activity, high-performance sports and physical activity instructors, competition referees, anti-doping officers, organisers and service personnel; and these persons are not required to be eligible under the criterion laid down in paragraph 3.1.2.4 of this Resolution;

3.1.3. other economic activity that is not listed in paragraphs 3.1.1-3.1.2 of this Resolution will be carried out in compliance with the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, and other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment;

3.2. public and administrative service restriction measures:

3.2.1. in the field of organising education:

3.2.1.1. pre-school, pre-primary, primary, pre-secondary, secondary education, vocational training, higher education, non-formal adult education and education assistance will be provided following the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, and other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment;

3.2.1.2. non-formal education for children will be provided under the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, and other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment. It is allowed to attend indoor activities at the same time and children camps for up to 30 persons per group, except where the participants and the staff are eligible under one of the criteria referred to in paragraphs 3.1.2.4.1-3.1.2.4.3 of this Resolution;

3.2.2. in the field of organising activities in social care establishments:

3.2.2.1. visits to all residential social care establishments, foster families, group and community homes and community child care homes will be made in accordance with the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for public health safety, hygiene and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment;

3.2.2.2. social care services will be provided in residential social care establishments and in person's home in accordance with the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for public health safety, hygiene and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment.

3.2.3. in the field of organising services in medical facilities regardless of their subordination and legal form:

3.2.3.1. ensuring management of patient flows, infrastructure, also material and human resources;

3.2.3.2. inpatient health care services for COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) (hereinafter 'COVID-19 services') will be organised on a clustering- territorial principle in compliance with the requirements laid down within the remit of the Minister for Health and the State Commander of National Emergency Operations. The provision of COVID-19 services will be organised by personal health care establishments (hereinafter 'organising personal health care establishments') specified by the Minister for Health, which have units for infectious diseases or human resources to organise the containment of infectious diseases and which organise and coordinate COVID-19 services in the territory of operation specified by the Minister for Health. The organising personal health care establishments will mobilise other personal health care establishments that are in the territory of operation and that are listed in the Annex to this Resolution (hereinafter 'mobilised personal health care establishments') for the provision of COVID-19 services. Instructions given by the organising personal health care establishments on COVID-19 services to the mobilised personal health care establishments will be mandatory (unless otherwise provided by law). The procedure for organising COVID-19 personal health care services shall be laid down by the Minister for Health and the State Commander of National Emergency Operations, within their respective realms;

3.2.3.3. for the coordination of the provision of COVID-19 services provided by the organising personal health care establishments, the State Commander of National Emergency Operations shall make a decision to appoint a coordinator for the activities of the organising personal health care establishments (hereinafter 'the coordinator'), set up a coordinating group and approve its rules of procedure. The coordinator shall organise the provision of COVID-19 services in cooperation with mayors and directors of administrations. Statutory instructions of the

coordinator shall be mandatory for both the organising personal health care establishments and the mobilised personal health care establishments (unless otherwise provided by law);

3.2.3.4. personal health care establishments will be visited following the procedure prescribed by Minister for Health;

3.2.3.5. the managers of personal health care establishments will ensure that personal health care services are provided in accordance with the approved plan for routine inpatient and/routine outpatient personal health care services, drawn up in accordance with the requirements laid down by the Minister for Health and in line with patient's interests;

3.2.3.6. medical establishments that are part of the Lithuanian public health system shall process all the patient data related to the delivery of health services, including case summaries, referrals, outcomes of referrals,, medical images and their descriptions, only through the Electronic Health Services and Cooperation Infrastructure Information System, and medical establishments that are not part of the Public health system shall ensure the processing of these data and their traceability through its own information system.;

3.2.3.7. inpatient personal health care services for patients with COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) will be organised as follows:

3.2.3.7.1. through operational reorganisation in managing patient flows, infrastructure, and material and human resources;

3.2.3.7.2. increasing, where necessary, the number of beds and/or the scope of health care services for the treatment of patients with COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) and/or mobilising staff, reducing the scope of routine inpatient and/or outpatient health care services or suspending these services, with the exception of services, where failure to provide them would result in patient's need for medical emergency or a significant deterioration of patient's condition;

3.2.3.7.3. there will be no visiting of patients except terminally-ill patients and children under 14 years of age at the permission of the treating physician, and when visits are made by those eligible under at least one criterion referred to in paragraph 3.1.2.4 of this Resolution, while ensuring the adherence to the procedure laid down by the Minister for Health;

3.2.4. public transport services will be provided following the requirements by State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance, other key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment;

3.2.5. state and municipal institutions and bodies and other establishments will provide services in accordance with the conditions laid down by the State Commander of National Emergency Operations for the management of the flow of people, safe physical distance,, key requirements for public health safety, hygiene, and the provision of persons with necessary personal protective equipment.

4. To recommend that economic operators and state institutions and bodies, and other public administration entities put in place provisions for wearing protective equipment covering nose and mouth (face masks, respirators, or other equipment) indoors, when regulating work procedures.

5. To establish that eligibility of persons under the criteria referred to in paragraph 3.1.2.4 of this Resolution will be confirmed as follows:

5.1. the eligibility of persons will be confirmed in accordance with the procedure laid down by the State Commander of Emergency Operations;

5.2. the documents evidencing the eligibility of persons and the personal data contained therein can only be viewed by natural or legal persons providing services or other natural and legal persons who make decisions regarding the eligibility of persons in the cases referred to in this Resolution, and by persons overseeing the compliance with the requirements of the legislation



regulating civil protection, but they cannot be collected, stored or otherwise processed by them. In case of doubt, persons overseeing the compliance with the requirements of the legislation regulating civil protection shall refer for personal data to the Information System of Electronic Health Services and Cooperation Infrastructure;

5.3. the persons referred to in paragraph 5.2 of this Resolution can only view the documents evidencing the eligibility of persons and personal data contained therein for the purpose of ascertaining person's eligibility so as to enable persons to exercise the right to unrestricted or partially restricted working, economic or other conditions in the cases specified in this Resolution and to implement the COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) prevention and control measures.

6. To establish that in the event where the State Commander of National Emergency Operations is unable to perform the functions of the commander of operations due to temporary incapacity for work, secondment or leave, the functions of the State Commander of National Emergency Operations shall be performed by the Acting Minister.

Acting Prime Minister  
Minister for Energy  
Acting Minister for the Economy and Innovation

Žygimantas Vaičiūnas

Minister for the Interior

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