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**DECISION
ON THE ISOLATION OF A PERSON IN AREAS OF OUTBREAKS AND EPIDEMIES OF
DANGEROUS OR EXTREMELY DANGEROUS INFECTIOUS DISEASES OR DISEASES OF
UNKNOWN ORIGIN, OR BECAUSE OF CARRYING INFECTIOUS AGENTS**

Pursuant to Paragraph 9 of Article 8 of the Law on the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases in Humans of the Republic of Lithuania, Order No. V-1463 of 15 June 2020 of the Minister of Health of the Republic of Lithuania “On the approval of the list of countries affected by COVID-19 (coronavirus infection)” (hereinafter - The List of Affected Countries), Decision No. V-1680 “On the conditions of isolation and testing for COVID-19 (coronavirus infection) of foreigners” (hereinafter – Conditions of Isolation of Foreigners) of the Minister of Health of the Republic of Lithuania – State-Level Emergency Operations Manager of 17 July 2020, Order No. V-352 of 12 March 2020 “On adopting the rules of the isolation of persons infected COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection), suspected of having COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) or having been in contact with COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) at home, another place of residence or in premises provided by the municipal administration” (hereinafter – Isolation Rules), Decision No. V-1316 of 29 May 2020 of the Minister of Health of the Republic of Lithuania – State-Level Emergency Operations Manager, “On Isolation of Persons in Contact in Isolation Premises Provided by Municipal Administrations” (hereinafter - Procedure for Isolation of Persons in Municipal Premises):

1. I d i r e c t that the persons including foreign citizens, except for the exemptions specified in the Conditions of Isolation of Foreigners (<https://e-seimas.lrs.lt/portal/legalAct/lt/TAD/6757cb225cf211eb9954cfa9b9131808?jfwid=16b1fy5wx2>), who have returned or arrived from the countries included in the List of Affected Countries (<https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/lt/legalAct/71c2eaf05cce11eb9dc7b575f08e8bea>) to the administrative territory of Panevėžys County of the Republic of Lithuania:

1.1. self-isolate for 7 (seven) days from the date of arrival / return in accordance with the Law on the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases of the Republic of Lithuania and the Isolation Rules (<https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/lt/legalAct/c18644c067d111eb9dc7b575f08e8bea>):

1.1.1. the self-isolation period may be shortened after 14 days after receipt of the vaccine dose against COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) (except for persons who, during the 10 days prior to their return / arrival to the Republic of Lithuania, visited countries included in the List of Affected Countries for arrivals from which enhanced communicable disease control measures are applied) upon submission to the NPHC of supporting documents when the person has been vaccinated with a second dose of the vaccine where the vaccination schedule consists of two doses of the vaccine; with one dose of vaccine where the vaccination schedule consists of one dose of vaccine; at least with one dose of the vaccine when the vaccine was given to a person who has recovered from COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) and the diagnosis was confirmed on the basis of a positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.

1.2. the self-isolation requirement does not apply to:

1.2.1. the persons referred to in Sub-paragraphs 1¹.1.1 - 1¹.1.9; 1¹.1.11, 1¹.1.13 and 1¹.1.16 of the Isolation Rules when the purpose of the travel of these persons is related to the performance of the work functions and these persons have documents specified in the List of Affected Countries.

1.2.2. the persons referred to in Sub-paragraph 1¹.1.12 of the Isolation Rules when the purpose of the trip is not necessarily related to the performance of work functions (this self-isolation exemption does not apply to

persons who, during the 10 days prior to their return / arrival to the Republic of Lithuania, visited countries included in the List of Affected Countries for arrivals from which enhanced communicable disease control measures are applied):

1.2.2.1. in accordance with Sub-paragraph 2.4² of the List of Affected Countries, persons who have arrived from countries subject to enhanced communicable disease control measures (except of the persons who have recovered from COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) and diagnosis was confirmed by a positive result of a **SARS-CoV-2 PCR test** and maximum 90 days have passed of the positive testing before the return/entry to the Republic of Lithuania must take a PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 no later than on the third day of arrival in the Republic of Lithuania and one more PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 no earlier than on the seventh and no later than on the tenth day of arrival in the Republic of Lithuania;

1.2.3. the persons up to 12 years of age referred to in Sub-paragraph 1¹.1.14 of the Isolation Rules, except for persons who, during the 10 days prior to their return / arrival to the Republic of Lithuania, visited countries included in the List of Affected Countries for arrivals from which enhanced communicable disease control measures are applied. If self-isolation is mandatory for persons who have traveled with a child, it is recommended that such children do not attend an educational institution during the period of self-isolation of persons who have traveled together ;

1.2.4. the persons from 12 to 16 years of age arriving from countries classified as red or grey in the List of Affected Countries referred to in Sub-paragraph 1¹.1.15 of the Isolation Rules who have a negative SARS-CoV-2 PCR test taken within 72 hours (from the moment of sampling) before returning to / arriving in the Republic of Lithuania or a negative antigen test for COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) taken within 48 hours (from the moment of sampling) before returning to / arriving in the Republic of Lithuania. If the COVID-19 test is performed upon arrival in the Republic of Lithuania, self-isolation is mandatory until the test result is received;

1.2.5. the persons arriving from countries classified as yellow or green in the List of Affected Countries referred to in Sub-paragraph 1¹.1.16 of the Isolation Rules are recommended to take a paid PCR test or an antigen test on the 3rd day of arrival in the Republic of Lithuania at the latest.

1.3. self-isolate at home or other residential premises that meet the requirements of legal acts while ensuring the necessary conditions specified in the Isolation Rules;

1.4. if it is not possible to self-isolate at home or other residential premises or if one cannot ensure the necessary conditions, apply to the Municipality of the administrative territory for the provision of isolation premises in accordance with the Procedure of Isolation in Municipal Premises;

1.5. pursuant to the Paragraph 8 of the Conditions of Isolation of Foreigners, isolation premises, transportation to isolation premises, transportation to the test site for COVID-19 disease (coronavirus infection) of foreigners arriving in the Republic of Lithuania must be provided and paid by the employer, inviting person, institution of science and studies or by the foreigner him (her)self.

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