

GUIDELINES ON ENTRY, VACCINATION AND IMMUNITY CARDS FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

I. RULES ON ENTRY TO HUNGARY

Any person, regardless of his/her citizenship, may enter Hungary without restriction:

who, upon entering Hungary, can credibly prove that he/she **has been affected by COVID-19 within 6 months** prior to the date of application for border crossing;

- who, when crossing the border, **proves his/her immunity against the coronavirus by presenting an official immunity card** in accordance with Government Decree 60/2021 (12 February) on certifying immunity to coronavirus and an official identity card suitable for verifying the identity indicated on the immunity card, and the person under his/her supervision entering Hungary with him/her who is under the age of eighteen;
- who **proves his/her immunity against the coronavirus by presenting an official immunity card issued by a country** in accordance with the Decree of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade No. 7/2021 (29 April) on the mutual acceptance of immunity cards, and the person under his/her supervision entering Hungary with him/her who is under the age of eighteen;
- who **proves his/her immunity against the coronavirus by presenting an official immunity card issued by a country** in accordance with the Decree of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade No. 17/2021 (22 May) on the unilateral recognition of immunity cards, and the person under his/her supervision entering Hungary with him/her who is under the age of eighteen;
- who certifies with a **certificate in Hungarian or in English, not older than 72 hours** containing the **result of a molecular biological examination – SARS-Cov-2 PCR test** – carried out in one of the countries referred to in Article 3 (2A) a)-i) of Government Decree 60/2021 (12 February), in accordance with the professional rules on healthcare, that **no SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus was detected in his/her body at the time of the test**. It is equivalent to presenting the immunity card if the person concerned proves his/her immunity against the coronavirus **by an app certifying vaccination against coronavirus** in accordance with Government Decree 60/2021 (12 February) on certifying immunity to coronavirus. In the case of certifying the immunity by an app, the person concerned may also be requested to present an official identity document.

It is also **equivalent to the presentation of the immunity card** if the person concerned proves by **presenting the EU Digital Covid Certificate** that

- he/she has been vaccinated at least once with a vaccine that is authorized by the European Medicines Agency, is on the list of vaccines of the World Health Organization for emergency use, or is authorized in Hungary and used for vaccination of the population, and one year has not yet passed since the first vaccination,
- he/she has been infected, and is therefore immune to the virus, or
- he/she can prove with a molecular biology test – SARS-CoV-2 test – carried out in accordance with the professional rules on healthcare, not older than 72 hours, that the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus was not detected in his/her body at the time of the test.

Furthermore, any person who has registered for vaccination against SARS-CoV-2 may enter Hungary without restrictions if the purpose of the entry is to receive vaccination against SARS-CoV-2 virus. (On entry, proof of the registration for the SARS-CoV-2 vaccine must be provided and the person concerned must appear on the vaccination center on the day of entry to receive the vaccination and leave the country within 24 hours.)

Otherwise, non-Hungarian citizens may not enter the territory of Hungary in passenger traffic, with the exceptions specified by law or government decree.

The local police competent for the place of the intended entry to Hungary, or, in the case of border crossing at Budapest Liszt Ferenc International Airport, the Police Headquarters of the 18th District of the Budapest Police Headquarters (hereinafter: police authorities) may grant an exemption upon request.

The police authority may authorize entry if the applicant proves that the purpose of entry is to fulfil study or exam obligations on the basis of a student or pupil status, if this is attested by a certificate issued by the education institution.

Further information on the entry of foreign students is available on the websites of the Police:

<http://www.police.hu/en/content/information-on-general-rules-of-border-crossing>