1. Who is required to enter home quarantine when travelling to the Federal republic of Germany?

Persons entering the Federal Republic of Germany who spent time, at any point in the ten days leading up to their arrival, in a region classified as an area of variants of concern are required to register at Germany’s travel portal https://www.einreiseanmeldung.de before arrival and to carry a confirmation of this registration with them while travelling and to present it upon request.

In case of previous stay within ten days prior to entry in variants of concern regions, a 14-day quarantine is mandatory. In this case, premature termination of quarantine is generally not possible. If the respective variants of concern region is no longer listed as such during your period of quarantine in Germany, then your obligation to quarantine ceases.

Find your local public health office here: https://tools.rki.de/PLZTool/en-GB.

The responsible public health office for Kaiserslautern is the Gesundheitsamt Kaiserslautern.

**Kreisverwaltung Kaiserslautern**
Gesundheitsamt
Pfaffstr. 40-42
67655 Kaiserslautern, Rheinland-Pfalz
0631 7105-520 ; kontaktga@kaiserslautern-kreis.de

Regulation of the quarantine obligation falls under the jurisdiction of the federal states. Please visit the website of the state wherein you reside or will be staying for detailed information on its specific quarantine regulations. This will most likely be Rhineland-Palatinate’s regulations. https://corona.rlp.de/de/themen/quarantaeneregeln/

2. What are risk areas?

A risk area is any country or region outside of the Federal Republic of Germany for which, at the time of entry into the Federal Republic of Germany, an increased risk of infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus exists.

**Types of risk areas**

- **High-risk area**: Is no longer used. (01.06.2022)

- **Virus variant areas**: can be areas with widespread occurrence of a virus variant (mutant strain) of the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus that is not widespread within Germany and that can reasonably be believed to pose a particular risk.

The reason for this distinction is that the particularly high risk of an infection in those areas can be addressed with tighter entry regulations. The tighter regulations are aimed at further limiting the introduction of the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus and preventing the rapid spread of new virus variants.
At the moment there are **no regions** declared as **virus variant areas** (01.06.2022).

Please **inform yourself** about the current countries declared as area of variants of concern before entering Germany. Therefore, please visit the RKI homepage https://www.rki.de/EN/Home/homepage_node.html or the following link https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete_neu.html.

3. **Testing obligation**

- **General obligation to furnish proof for all travellers:** All persons from the age of 12 years who have at any time within the last ten days prior to entry stayed in an area which is classified as **variants of concern** must be in possession of proof of testing based on a nucleic acid test (PCR, PoC-NAAT or other nucleic acid amplification test methods) at the time of your entry. **Antibody tests are not** recognised as proof of testing. These proofs must be presented to the carrier or on entry upon request to the Federal Police or the competent authority. The proof of testing must refer to a test that was taken **no more than 48h before the date of entry** or the scheduled date of the beginning of transportation. A proof of vaccination or recovery is not sufficient.

- **Languages:** If the test was taken abroad, proof of absence of infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus issued in written or digital form has to be in German, English, French, Italian or Spanish.

- **For further information please visit:**

4. **Obligation to register**

If you have spent time in a risk area within the ten days prior to your entry, you need to carry out a Digital Registration before you enter Germany. Please enter information on the places you stayed over the previous ten days via the www.einreiseanmeldung.de website. A PDF will be generated and sent to you via confirmation E-Mail once you fill all of the necessary information. Without this confirmation, the carrier will not be allowed to take you.

In case of failure to fill the digital registration on entry due to technical malfunction, you will be required alternatively to fill out a substitute registration on paper. Please refer to the substitute registration for information on where to submit it (e.g. on request, to the carrier or to the Federal Police). Where no request to present the substitute registration is made, you are required to either complete the Digital Registration within 24 hours after entry or submit the completed substitute registration by post to the following address:

**Deutsche Post E-POST Solutions GmbH, 69990 Mannheim**

For additional information on the obligation to register and exemptions, please visit https://www.bundesgesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus-infos-reisende/faq-tests-einreisende.html.
5. **Where you can get tested after entering the country**
   People travelling from areas of variants of concern should, wherever possible, be tested at airports and at ports. Proof of vaccination or recovery does not suffice. If no test can be performed there, then having announced your visit ahead of time by telephone, a test should be carried out at a doctor’s office. Arrivals to Germany can find out from the medical appointment service center where in their vicinity they can get the test by calling 116 117 or checking [www.116117.de](http://www.116117.de). People travelling from areas of variants of concern may have to attain a proof of negative test before their departure, especially whilst travelling via airline.

6. **Penalties for opposing the obligation to get tested or quarantined:**
   Violation of the obligations indicated above regarding reporting, consent to testing or home quarantine can result in heavy fines by local authorities up to 25,000 Euros.

7. **Mandatory mask regulations**
   As in October 2022 it is still mandatory to wear masks in many areas. The type of mask you are required to wear is the general medical/surgical mask. This refers to so-called disposable surgical masks that cover the mouth and nose. Respiratory masks such as the FFP2 or N95 are also permitted. The train and bus stations are also part of public transportation zones, so a mask is required there, too.
   It is obligated to wear a **FFP2-mask** in hospitals, private practices and long-distance public transport. Other mask regulations can be up to the state where you reside. Please check your current local regulations yourself. You can find Rhineland-Palatinate’s regulations by clicking on the following link: [https://corona.rlp.de/de/aktuelles/corona-regeln-im-ueberblick/](https://corona.rlp.de/de/aktuelles/corona-regeln-im-ueberblick/)
   Fabric masks, other face coverings including scarves, and face visors are no longer allowed. Please be prepared and have a suitable mask available when you arrive in Germany.

8. **Corona-Warn-App**
   “The Corona-Warn-App helps us to determine whether we have had any contact with an infected person which could result in a risk of catching the virus. This way, we can interrupt chains of infection more quickly. The app is a service by the Federal Government. Download and use of the app are entirely voluntary.”
   [https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-de/themen/corona-warn-app/corona-warn-app-englisch](https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-de/themen/corona-warn-app/corona-warn-app-englisch)

9. **You can find all of the information also on the following websites:**
   - [https://www.zusammengegencorona.de/en/](https://www.zusammengegencorona.de/en/)
   - Current information for travelers (Coronavirus Entry Regulations) - Bundesgesundheitsministerium
   - [https://corona.rlp.de/de/aktuelles/corona-regeln-im-ueberblick/](https://corona.rlp.de/de/aktuelles/corona-regeln-im-ueberblick/)