

Overview of current and new measures against Covid-19 in Denmark

Face masks or Shields

- You are advised to wear a face mask or shield at test centres, at the doctor's, in large crowds and uncontrolled gatherings, or when you visit the hospital. Some places requires you to wear a mask, which they will provide you for free.

Public Transport

- You will need to book a seat, if you travel by (DSB) InterCity or InterCityLyn train. Seat tickets are free of charge and can be booked at train stations or online.

Restaurants, Cafes and bars

- Restaurants, cafés and bars are open.

Shopping and Grocery stores

- All stores and shopping centres are open. It is advised that a safe distance is kept and hand sanitiser is being used when shopping.

Service trades

- Services like hairdresser, tattooist, professional massage etc. are open.

Museums, theatres and cultural events

- Museums, amusement parks, theatres, cinemas, venues, zoos, stadiums and other sports venues are open.

Sport and fitness

- Gyms are open and there is no limit on participants at indoor sport activities.

Nightlife and clubs

- All discos and nightclubs requires a valid coronapass (or a negative test result, proof of vaccination or proof of immunity due to prior infection).

Indoor gatherings

- You are advised to keep distance when it is possible.

Traveling to Denmark: Worthy Purposes

Work, business, studies, etc.

- You have a job in Denmark:

You can enter Denmark if you have a job in Denmark or are a self-employed person working in Denmark, including if you work as a professional artist or athlete.

You must enter Denmark as late as possible before the start of your employment. However, if you contemplate relocation to Denmark, the rules differs – you can enter two weeks before, but you are required to provide proof that you enter Denmark with a view to relocating to Denmark.

Relevant documents:

A valid employment contract from an employer in Denmark and, if relevant, your most recent pay slip as proof that you are still employed.

If you are a self-employed person, you are advised to provide proof in the form of a certificate of incorporation.

If you are a professional artist or athlete, you must provide proof of the working relationship and of the time and place of the work, such as an email or other written agreement on the performance of the work.

Further, you must present the contact details of a contact person, if any, for the work in Denmark who can confirm the information provided by you.

Volunteer work is not considered a worthy purpose of entering Denmark.

- You can enter Denmark for the purpose of attending meetings, etc. as part of your job:

You must provide proof, such as an email, of the working relationship and of the time and place of the meeting. Further, you must present the contact details of a relevant contact person for the meeting in Denmark who can confirm the information provided by you.

- You are to perform services or carry goods into or out of Denmark:

You can enter Denmark if you are to perform services for business purposes or carry goods into or out of Denmark for business purposes, including if you are to carry goods out of Denmark in your private car for business purposes.

There are several options when it comes to documents, e.g. proof of the transaction in the form of an invoice, a receipt, a purchase agreement or the like.

- You are a seaman, an aircraft crew member, a diplomat etc:

You can enter Denmark if you are an aircraft crew member, a diplomat, an offshore worker or belong to another category of persons mentioned in Annex VII of the Schengen Borders Code.

If you sign off from a ship with room for more than 100 passengers you need approval of the Patient Safety Authority (Styrelsen for Patientsikkerhed).

Relevant documents:

Seaman: You must present confirmation from your employer of where and when you are to sign on or off. You must also provide proof that you are a crew member, such as a valid employment contract.

Diplomat: You must present your diplomatic passport and provide proof that you are travelling as an official of the state.

- You have a job interview in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you are going to a job interview in Denmark. You need to present the invitation for the job interview from the Danish Company and it must contain details of a relevant contact person at the Danish Company.

➤ You are a pupil or student in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you are enrolled as a pupil or student at an educational institution that is open and you are to attend classes or have an exam requiring physical presence.

You can also enter Denmark if you are going to take an admission test or the like requiring physical presence and the test is a prerequisite for being admitted to a Danish educational programme. The educational programme for which you are taking the test must be offered by a Danish public educational institution.

You must arrive as late as possible before the start of your study programme. If present proof of relocation to Denmark you may enter 14 days prior the start of your educational programme.

Relevant documents:

A letter of confirmation from the educational institution at which you have enrolled/been admitted or at which you are taking an admission test. It must also appear that the educational institution is open and that you have business requiring physical presence such as classes or an exam.

➤ You have a traineeship in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you have a traineeship that is a mandatory element of a formal further education programme in another country. In that case, the traineeship in Denmark will be deemed to be in the same category as education in Denmark.

Relevant documents:

A letter of confirmation from your foreign educational institution that traineeship in another country is a mandatory element of your education programme and the trainee contract with your Danish traineeship workplace.

➤ You are to attend a folk high school programme

You can enter Denmark if you are a pupil at a folk high school or have been admitted to a folk high school that is open, no matter the length of your stay. The folk high school must be approved under the Danish Act on Folk High Schools (lov om folkehøjskoler).

A list of approved folk high schools is available on the website of the Agency for Culture and Palaces (Slots- og Kulturstyrelsen).

Relevant documents:

A letter of confirmation from the folk high school that you are enrolled at and confirmation that the school is open.

➤ You have an au pair placement

You can enter Denmark if you have an au pair placement in Denmark. You need to present a valid au pair contract and contact information of your host family who shall be able to confirm the information.

Private matters

➤ You are closely related to a person resident in Denmark /
You are closely related to a Danish national resident abroad or a foreigner holding a residence permit for Denmark and you enter together

You can enter Denmark if you are closely related to a Danish national or foreigners resident in or permanently staying in Denmark.

Closely related means:

Spouse, live-in partner, fiancé, sweetheart, parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, child, stepchild, sister, brother, stepsister, stepbrother, grandchild and step-grandchild.

The relationship of sweethearts must have lasted for a certain period, normally three months, and you must have met regularly in person. Accordingly, sweethearts whose relationship has been based merely on written and telephone contact are not deemed to have a worthy purpose under the current entry restrictions.

Relevant documents:

You must present proof of marriage certificate, proof of family relationship (a certificate of baptism or birth etc.), or diplomatic passport if it shows your family relationship. You are also advised to bring a copy of the health insurance card of the person resident in Denmark.

There are special rules for the relationship of sweethearts. A solemn declaration of relation needs to be downloaded. The person resident in Denmark declares under penalty of perjury to be in a relationship with the person who want to enter Denmark and the purpose of the entry is to visit the person resident in Denmark. The declaration must be brought on paper (the original document or a printout/photocopy) and handed to the border control point. The form can be used to repeated entries into Denmark.

- You are the spouse, live-in partner, child, or stepchild of a person who is expatriated by a state to Denmark and holds a diplomatic passport or similar document

You must provide proof the the relationship or similar document that confirms the relationship, such as a diplomatic passport or other similar document that confirms the relationship.

- You are to have parenting time with minors

You can enter Denmark for the purpose of having parenting time with minors, if you can present your child's certificate of birth or baptism or your diplomatic passport from which your family relationship appears and a copy of you child's health insurance card.

- You are the primary caregiver of minors

You can enter Denmark if you are the primary caregiver of minors living in Denmark, such as a foster family that is not part of the nuclear family. You must hold a confirmation from the authorities that you are the primary caregiver of the child and a copy of the child's health insurance card.

➤ You are closely related to a seriously ill or dying person in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you are to visit a closely related person in Denmark who is seriously ill or dying.

You must hold a confirmation from the relevant healthcare professional passed on to you with the sick person's consent. Moreover, you must provide proof of the family relationship (*see the first bullet point in "private matters" for description of "closely related" and the relevant documents needed to proof the relationship*).

➤ You are to participate in the birth of your child

You can enter Denmark if you are to participate in the imminent birth of your child with the consent of the mother-to-be. Normally, you can enter Denmark three weeks prior to the due date.

Relevant documents:

As proof of the upcoming birth and your parental connection, you are advised to present a copy of the maternity record and a letter of consent from the mother-to-be stating that she acknowledges that you are the parent-to-be of the child and that she wants you to participate in the birth of the child.

➤ You are to continue treatment at a healthcare institution

You can enter Denmark if you are to continue treatment at a Danish healthcare institution.

In this context, treatment at a private hospital is considered the same as treatment at a public hospital.

You need to present a notice from the healthcare institution or private hospital stating that your treatment is to be continued.

➤ You are to attend burial or funeral services for a closely related person

You can enter Denmark to attend burial or funeral services for a closely related person.

You are advised to present a letter of confirmation from the caretaker, the church office, the chapel etc. verifying that they are handling the funeral in Denmark.

Legal matters etc.

- You are to participate in legal proceedings or you have been summoned to an interview with a public authority

You can enter Denmark if you are to participate in legal proceedings or you have been summoned to an interview or a meeting with the police or another public authority in a case in which the relevant authority finds it necessary to conduct an interview or a meeting in person.

You are advised to present the letter of summons from the court or a document from the public authority confirming that you are to attend an interview or a meeting in person.

- You have an urgent business at an embassy or consular mission in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you have urgent business at an embassy or consular mission in Denmark if you can provide a document from the embassy or consular in Denmark confirming that your business is essential and the date and time of your appointment.

Real estate etc.

- You have your own holiday cottage or boat or you are a permanent resident at a campsite in Denmark

You can enter Denmark if you are the owner of a holiday cottage, an allotment shed, a boat or a permanent location at a campsite in Denmark. You can bring closely related persons and other members of your household, but you must enter Denmark together with the owner of the holiday cottage, the boat or the permanent location at the campsite.

Relevant documents:

Proof of your ownership of the summerhouse or allotment shed, such as the deed of conveyance, contract of sale or tax information. Proof that you have a permanent location at a campsite or a berth.

If you bring closely related persons or members of your household, you must bring proof of your relationship, such as your marriage certificate, certificates of birth, diplomatic passport if it shows the family relationship, proof of shared residence etc.

(see the first bullet point in “private matters” for description of “closely related” and the relevant documents needed to proof the relationship).

Test and isolation requirements

- General test requirement for an orange country: You must present a negative PCR test taken no more than 72 hours before entry or a negative antigen test taken no more than 48 hours before entry. There are exemptions for that, including if you have been infected by COVID-19 less than 12 months ago:
- Foreigners who can present a positive PCR test taken at least two weeks but no more than 12 months before the time of entry as such persons are no longer assumed to be contagious. A positive COVID-19 test certificate must meet the same conditions as a negative COVID-19 test certificate.
- Isolation after entry to Denmark is required. You must isolate for 10 days. The mandatory isolation may be prematurely broken after obtaining a negative PCR test taken no earlier than the fourth day after entry into Denmark.
- Foreign business travelers from orange countries who are going to a business meeting in Denmark, are exempted from the requirement for isolation after entry. They will still have to be tested according to the otherwise applicable rules.
- Accompanying children up to and including the age of 17 to previously infected and fully vaccinated are not covered by requirements for testing and isolation after entry into Denmark.