



Restrictions and prohibitions

Here you will find a summary of the restrictions and prohibitions that have been imposed in Sweden because of the spread of Covid-19.

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Measures supported by the pandemic law

Until September 2021, a temporary pandemic law ("Pandemilagen") applies.

Shops, gyms, indoor sports facilities, and swimming facilities must calculate the number of visitors so that each person is given ten square meters of space. The companies must display clear signage that clarifies for visitors how many people may visit the premises at the same time.

The County Administrative Boards of Sweden ("Länsstyrelsen") are assigned to ensure that the rules are followed.

Gatherings and events

The maximum number of participants at gatherings:

- indoor events without designated seating: 8 participants
- funerals: 20 participants or more, if conditions below are met.
- indoor events with designated seating: 50 participants
- outdoor events without designated seating: 100 participants.
- outdoor events with designated seating: 500 participants.

You can find compiled information here.

If a private gathering is held at an event venue, in a meeting room and at other rented premises, a maximum of eight people are allowed to attend. If you organise an event in violation of the ban, you may face a fine or prison sentence of up to six months.

Public gatherings include:

- gatherings that constitute demonstrations or which are otherwise held for discussion, expression of opinion or providing information on public or private matters;
- lectures and speeches held for the purposes of teaching or for public or civic education;
- gatherings for religious practice;
- theatrical and cinema performances, concerts and other gatherings for the performance of artistic work, and circus performances.
- other gatherings at which freedom of assembly is exercised.

Public events include:

- competitions and exhibitions in sports and aviation;
- dance performances;
- fairground amusements and parades;
- markets and fairs
- other events not regarded as public gatherings.

• Schools, public transport, private events and visits to shops are excluded.

More information about the ban provided by the Government

Travel

There are restrictions as regards travel to and from Sweden because of the spread of Covid-19.

More information about travel restrictions

Restaurants, cafés and pubs

Restaurants, cafés and bars can be open until 22.30 and alcohol can be served until 22.00. Takeaway of food and of non-alcoholic drinks is allowed later than that.

• The size of a dining party allowed to sit at one table is limited to four people. If a party is larger, they must be divided between several tables with at least one metre between them.

Venues serving food and drink must:

- Implement measures to avoid crowding of people in queues, at tables, buffets or bar counters.
- Ensure that guests can keep at least one metre's distance from other people.
- Only serve food and drink to guests who are seated at a table or a bar counter.
- Guests are permitted to order and pick up food and drink, provided that this does not lead to crowding or queues.
- Offer guests the opportunity to wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water, or offer them hand sanitiser.
- Inform guests about how they can decrease the risk for spreading infection.



