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# Regulation banning non-essential travel from defined high-risk areas due to COVID-19.

## Article 1

Until May 31, 2021, foreigners who come from or have stayed for more than 24 days in the last 14 days in an area where the 14-day incidence of infection per 100,000 inhabitants is 700 or more, or the incidence is 500-699 and the percentage of positive sample is 5% or more, or adequate information is otherwise not available, they are not allowed to enter the country despite the fact that they meet the conditions stated in Article 5, cf. Paragraph 6 Article 29 regulation on movement across borders and Article 106. Act on foreigners.

The provisions of paragraph 1 does not apply to foreigners who have permanent residence in this country, i.e. on m. on the basis of a residence permit or other type of right of residence or residence.

The provisions of paragraph 1 does not apply to relatives of Icelandic citizens and foreigners residing in Iceland.

The provisions of paragraph 1 does not apply to foreigners who are in a long-term intimate relationship with an Icelandic citizen or a foreigner who legally resides in Iceland.

The provisions of paragraph 1 does not apply to foreigners who can present a certificate of vaccination or a certificate that a COVID-19 infection has been removed in accordance with Article 6. regulations on quarantine and isolation and sampling at Iceland's border due to COVID-19.

The provisions of paragraph 1 nor does it apply to foreigners who come to Iceland on urgent business, i.e. on m. the following parties:

- a. A passenger on a connecting flight.
- b. Personnel in the field of health care and geriatric care.
- c. Personnel who handle the transportation of goods and services.
- d. Persons in need of international protection.
- e. Individuals who have to travel due to urgent circumstances in their family.
- f. Individuals and delegations who come to the country on behalf of the Icelandic government, employees of embassies and other representatives of foreign countries, employees of international organizations and individuals invited by those who need to come to the country due to the activities of these organizations, representatives of the military, and employees who carry out humanitarian aid and public defense and families of the aforementioned parties.
- g. Students.
- h. Individuals who necessarily need to travel for business or work that cannot be carried out later or abroad.

## Article 2

This regulation, which is established pursuant to authorization in a provisional provision to the law on foreigners, cf. Article 2 Act no. 23/2021 on amendments to the Epidemic Prevention Act and the Act on Foreigners, immediately enters into force. Upon entry into force of this regulation, regulation no. 444/2021.

*The Ministry of Justice, 10 May 2021.*

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