



## Entry of foreign athletes into the Czech Republic

### Important information

The outbreak of the global COVID-19 pandemic has significantly reduced the global movement of people. Most countries in the world have introduced more or less strict restrictions on entry into their territories. The entire European Union has responded to this process through the coordinated introduction of a comprehensive ban on entry into the European Union from third countries with national exceptions. Entry into the territory of the Czech Republic is regulated by the Protective Measure - Determination of Conditions for Entry into the Czech Republic (hereinafter referred to as the "Measure"): List of Countries by Disease Risk Level - Current Information on COVID-19 (mzcr.cz)

related activities. See Measures for more information.

### **Online arrival form**

The online arrival form <https://plf.uzis.cz/> must be filled in before arriving in the Czech Republic by all persons who have stayed abroad for more than 12 hours in the last 14 days. Related to this measure is the obligation to be tested for the presence of covid-19 and the quarantine regime according to the conditions specified in the effective Protective Measure.

## Entry into the territory of the Czech Republic for EU citizens

In terms of anti-epidemic measures, entry into the territory of the Czech Republic is possible for citizens of EU Member States without examining the purpose, ie without documenting any document on the purpose of entry. For these purposes, in addition to the Member States of the European Union, the Principality of Andorra, the Republic of Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Principality of Monaco, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of San Marino, the Swiss Confederation and the Vatican City State are considered to be EU Member States.

## Entry into the territory of the Czech Republic for third-country nationals

In terms of anti-epidemic measures for third-country nationals who are not on the List of countries with a low risk of COVID-19, entry is prohibited in the Czech Republic. A third-country national is a citizen of a state that is not a citizen of an EU Member State.

Entry ban DOES NOT apply:

- for fully vaccinated persons with one of the EU-recognized vaccines in the given countries, see Recognition of certificates of



vaccination from other countries - Current information on COVID-19 (mzcr.cz),

- if the entry of these foreigners is in the interest of the Czech Republic and if it is documented by an appropriate document for the purpose of entry - for the field of sport, this document is the opinion of the National Sports Agency (NSA).

### Short-term visa

Under the safeguards, the NSA can only express its support for short-term visa applications in cases arising from anti-epidemic reasons. NSA support cannot be requested in cases where visa services at the consular post are not restricted for anti-epidemic reasons, see VISA: Open / closed consulates, scope of services | Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (mzv.cz)

### Exemption from quarantine for athletes

Professional athletes and members of the national team of the Czech Republic or other countries, including persons necessary for sporting events, are not required to undergo PCR - a test after 5 days of quarantine after entering the Czech Republic from a country with a high or very high risk of infection. They have the opportunity to undergo a PCR test upon arrival in the Czech Republic. After a negative PCR test result, they can engage in related activities. See Measures for more information.



## Opinion of the NSA on entry into the territory of the Czech Republic

The NSA opinion is issued exclusively to citizens of third countries that are not on the List of Countries with a Low Risk of COVID-19, in cases where the entry of a foreigner is in the Czech Republic's interest in sports. The request for an NSA opinion is submitted by the recipient organization via the online form ENTRY to the Czech Republic, which is available here. Before completing it, it is necessary to register the applicant. The request for an NSA opinion consists of a statement from the host organization and a statement from the National Sports Association.

The declaration of the receiving organization, which is generated in the online form, is a declaration of a domestic legal entity (sports organization), which provides planned activities in the field of sports in the Czech Republic for a specific foreign natural person. In connection with the entire stay of the foreigner, the receiving organization undertakes to comply with the effective Protective Measure published by the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic.

The declaration of the national sports association, which is prepared by the association separately, confirms the necessity of the presence of the person in the territory of the Czech Republic in the interest of the Czech Republic. This statement is submitted as an attachment (in .pdf format) after filling in the online form Entry into the Czech Republic.