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## GUIDELINES TO TRAVEL WITHIN FRENCH TERRITORY AND FROM FRANCE TO ABROAD AND UE

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#### A. HOTELS & RESTAURANTS-----

Bars and restaurants closed. Open hotels.

#### B. TO RETURN TO FRANCE FROM ABROAD-----

From Sunday January 31, any entry into France and any exit from the territory to or from a country outside the European Union will be prohibited, except for an overriding reason. Travelers wishing to return to France can do so under one condition, responding to one of the overriding health, family or professional reasons. To do this, you must complete a travel certificate (there is one for EU countries and one for countries outside the EU). Entry into metropolitan territory from a country in the European area is subject to presentation of the negative result of a virological screening biological test "RT-PCR COVID" dating less than 72 hours before departure. This obligation concerns all modes of travel (arrival by road, rail, air or sea).

#### C. TO TRAVEL FROM FRANCE TO A EUROPEAN COUNTRY-----

No certificate is necessary to travel from France to countries in the European area. This concerns the 27 member countries of the European Union plus Switzerland, Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino and the Vatican, according to the foreign ministry and the minister. Be careful, however, to find out if the European country you plan to visit has not closed its borders. From France to the overseas territories, it will also be necessary to respond to a compelling reason. The measure, already in force for Reunion Island and Mayotte before January 31, now applies from January 31 to Guadeloupe and Martinique and will be effective from February 3 for French Polynesia.

#### D. TO TRAVEL FROM FRANCE TO A NON EUROPEAN COUNTRY-----

The general principle is that of a total ban on going out, except "overriding personal or family reasons, emergency health reasons or professional reasons that cannot be postponed". To do this, you must have a sworn statement (available here) which you must then complete. This certificate must be presented, at the time of boarding, to the transport company and be accompanied by any appropriate supporting documents. Source : Openly

#### IN GERMANY COVID TESTS TO BE CARRIED OUT & QUARANTINE TO BE OBSERVED-----

The Traveler to Germany, must have a negative COVID test to be carried out ahead of the trip, and observe a Quarantine. As of January 14, 2021, in addition to the registration requirement, it is mandatory to undergo a screening test and be able to prove it in order to enter Germany. The quarantine obligation is governed by the regulations of the Länder. The applicable law is that of the land through which a traveler enters or stays in German territory. Immediately after entering German territory, travelers from risk areas must carry out a ten-day quarantine at their home or in suitable accommodation at their place of destination. At the earliest 48 hours before their trip and at the latest immediately after their arrival on German territory, travelers must undergo an initial screening test for COVID-19 that meets the criteria defined by the Robert Koch Institute. To interrupt the quarantine, it is possible to perform a second test for COVID-19 at the earliest after 5 days. For certain categories of persons or professions, the legislation of the land concerned may provide for exceptions (in particular for persons in transit and frontier workers). Travelers can contact the public health office at their destination for any questions regarding the quarantine requirement.

#### FORMALITIES TO BE OBSERVED-----

In accordance with the directives of the Federal Ministry of Health which entered into force on November 8, 2020, travelers must register online here before entering Germany if they have stayed in a risk zone during the ten days prior to their arrival. trip. A list of the different zones is available on the Robert Koch Institute website. Currently, the following are classified as "risk areas": the whole of French European territory as well as Saint-Martin (978), French Guyana (973) and French Polynesia (987) overseas. Regardless of the means of transport used (personal vehicle, plane, train, etc.), all travelers must complete the online registration form for entering the territory. The traveler must keep the electronic confirmation of this recording in order to be able to present it in case of control (carried out for example by the airline company).

No later than 48 hours after entering the territory, travelers from risk areas must be able to present a negative test carried out no earlier than 48 hours before entering the territory and meeting the criteria defined by the Robert Koch Institute. Travelers coming from high-risk areas or areas where a variant of the virus circulates must present a negative result upon entering the territory.-----

The following may be exempted from this obligation of test / proof for entering the territory from a risk zone: travelers exempt from the obligation to register when entering the territory or those staying less than 72 hours in Germany in order to return visit to a first-degree relative, or cross-border commuters traveling as part of their work or training, if they comply with the preventive measures in force.-----

This test / documentary obligation may be exempted for entry into the territory from a high-risk area: only travelers in transit and people staying less than 72 hours in Germany in order to ensure the transport of goods and merchandise.-----

#### HOTELS & RESTAURANTS-----

As far as the the Bars and restaurants, they are closed. Accommodation offers in Germany will no longer be available for tourist purposes but will have to meet a real need. Citizens are asked to refrain from non-essential private trips and visits (including family) as well as interregional travel for pleasure. Institutions and establishments dedicated to leisure will be closed, as will restaurants, cafes, bars, clubs and discos. Source: OPenFly

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