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LEGAL REQUIREMENTS REG. TRAVEL IN TIMES OF COVID-19

The current COVID situation also has our travel behavior firmly under control. For this reason we would like to inform you about the current situation in Switzerland:

Entry into Switzerland

When is entry permitted?

Especially if you are a Swiss citizen, a person entitled to freedom of movement (EU/EFTA/UK citizens), holder of a Swiss residence permit or in possession of an assurance.

Third-country nationals who wish to enter Switzerland from a risk country for a permit-free stay without gainful employment for up to 90 days (e.g. tourists, job search or job interviews, etc.) are currently still refused entry.

When is there a quarantine obligation?

If entry or return to Switzerland is generally permitted, it must be clarified whether there is a quarantine obligation. Since 6 July 2020, there has been a **quarantine obligation of 10 days** after a stay in a state/area with an increased risk of infection (legal exceptions remain reserved). The lists of risk areas are **regularly updated** by the authorities. There is currently no retroactive effect in principle. Along with the quarantine, certain **instructions** and **reporting obligations** must also be followed.

The **cantonal authorities** may carry out **spot checks** and receive contact details of randomly selected flights or scheduled buses for this purpose. These spot checks **will now be tightened**. Failure to comply with the quarantine or the obligation to report may result in a **fine of up to CHF 10,000**. A **negative test result** does not lead to the quarantine obligation being lifted or shortened.

Children must also comply with the quarantine obligation.

Compensation for loss of earnings/continued payment of wages

In the case of a quarantine obligation after returning from a risk area, there is **no entitle-ment to corona compensation**. The employer's obligation to continue to pay wages must be examined **in each individual case**, but tends to be negated.

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