

New entry restrictions as part of efforts to contain coronavirus/covid-19

Updated travel advice

- On 13 March 2020, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark updated its travel advice, whereby all regions of the world not classified as "red" are now classified as "orange". The Ministry now advises against all non-essential travel worldwide, at least until 13 April 2020. The Ministry is continuously monitoring developments and raising areas to "red" classification as appropriate.
- Those returning to Denmark after travelling in areas classified as "orange" should, as all other Danes, refrain as much as possible from attending work physically and work from home. Those returning to Denmark after travelling in areas classified as "red" are advised to stay home for 14 days under all circumstances. Danes residing abroad are advised to stay where they are and observe the instructions of the local authorities.

Rejection of travellers seeking to enter Denmark

- In the recent days and weeks, the Danish Government and the Danish authorities have taken a series of difficult precautionary measures in the effort to contain the spread of COVID-19. There is a risk that extensive entry of persons from abroad who have not been subject to similar precautionary measures will undermine the effectiveness of the measures taken in Denmark.
- The Government has notified the EU Commission and the other EU Member States, including Sweden and Germany, that effective Saturday 14 March 2020 at 12:00 noon, the existing temporary border control will be expanded to include control of all of Denmark's borders as part of the effort to curb the spread of COVID-19.
- This measure will be supported by a visible control apparatus at all significant Danish border crossings, including in airports. This control apparatus will be implemented in the coming days, and the control task will be performed by the Danish police, with extensive support from Danish Defence. Within a short time, this effort is expected to include a complete or partial closure of a significant number of train, air, and ferry routes for passenger traffic. Furthermore, this will also include a complete stop of all cruise ship traffic to Denmark. These border control measures will remain in effect at least until 13 April 2020.
- Persons wishing to enter Denmark must expect to be rejected entry at the Danish borders, including in Danish airports, unless they have a worthy purpose for entering, e.g. if the person lives or works in Denmark or has been commissioned to provide goods or services in Denmark.
- As a result of the border control measures, those seeking to enter Denmark should expect significantly prolonged travel times. An information campaign will be conducted abroad with a focus on the countries from which many people normally enter Denmark, so as to minimise the number of unsuccessful attempts by travellers to enter the country. Danes who are presently on holiday travels abroad should – also due to the forthcoming closures of air routes – return to Denmark as quickly as possible. The

authorities are in dialogue with the travel industry to ensure that Danes on holiday have the opportunity to travel back to Denmark.

- As regards the transport of goods, there is a strong emphasis on the importance of maintaining and not delaying the necessary supply chains, including food supply and Denmark's imports and exports to and from other countries. Therefore, there will not be blanket border control inspections of goods transport.
- The authorities are in dialogue with the carrier industry to plan an expedient implementation of these efforts so that they do not cause greater obstacles than necessary for suppliers of goods.