

Dear Competitors and officials

With about 2 weeks before the start of our competition I want to put the attention on the required actions you have to take in order to safely travel to Belgium, and what are the current conditions based on you country of origin.

First and far most important is the so called Passenger Locator Form or PLF. The PLF is a form that every individual that crosses the Belgian border needs to fill in, and show proof of when asked by the authorities. Note: There are frequent border controls to check this, and fines are rather high. You can find the PLF online here: <https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/plf/>. The PLF can be filled at the earliest 48 h before your arrival in the Belgium and at the very latest before you entry the country.

In order to know if you need to get tested or even quarantine there are a couple of criteria, such as the colour code of your country of origin, whether the country is in the EU or Schengen zone or not, and whether you are vaccinated or not. Below table summarizes the information valid at time of writing (September 20th). Please check the latest colour code of your Country / Region before departure to ensure you follow the correct rules.

Country of origin	WITH COVID Certificate	WITHOUT COVID Certificate
Czech Republic (green)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine
Denmark (green / orange region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine
Denmark (red region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCR before 72 h after arrival • Addition test after 7 days • No quarantine
France (green / orange region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine
France (red region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCR before 72 h after arrival • Addition test after 7 days • No quarantine
Hungary (green / orange region)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine
Luxembourg (red)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCR before 72 h after arrival • Addition test after 7 days • No quarantine
Netherlands (red)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCR before 72 h after arrival • Addition test after 7 days • • No quarantine
Poland (green)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No testing • No quarantine
United Kingdom (red)	<i>Note: Only Vaccination certificate counts as COVID certificate</i>	NO Travel allowed

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get Tested on Day 1 or 2 after Arrival• Get Tested on Day 7 after Arrival• Quarantine until negative result of test | |
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As you can see the main difference is whether or not you have a COVID certificate. As COVID certificate following are accepted:

a) A vaccination certificate proves that you have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19. You are fully vaccinated 2 weeks after your last vaccination dose and if the vaccine is EMA-certified or Covishield. Vaccination certificates from non-EU countries will also be accepted in Belgium under certain conditions, pending their equivalence agreement with the EU.

b) A recovery certificate shows that you have recovered from COVID-19. You have a positive PCR test result no older than 180 days and you no longer need to isolate.

In order to get a PCR test for non Belgian residents you first need to obtain a code to make your appointment. These tests have to be paid and cost 55€. Follow these steps to obtain your Belgian testing code, and make an appointment:

1. Go to <https://www.myhealth.belgium.be/> . You do not need to register.
2. Click on the link to request the activation code for a paid PCR test: ' Request a code for a paid PCR test (non-residents of Belgium)' and follow the steps
3. To book a test moment at a test center, click on the link “Make an appointment for a code test” and follow the steps.

There is a testing centre in the Polyclinic in Vielsalm, however it has limited opening hours from 9h30 to 10h30 on week day's. However there are couple of more testing centre in the vicinity. You can find all the testing centres at this website: <https://testcovid.doclr.be#!/saps>

Also you are advised to install the Belgian Corona Alert application in order to be sure to get your results. <https://coronalert.be/en/> but also make sure the test centre has your contact details to send you the results.

All the latest and official information can be found on the Belgian website <https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/> refer to this website for more information.

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