

## Foreigners no longer need to take a PCR test to enter Russia

The corresponding resolution of Rospotrebnadzor came into force on October 21, 2022

Resolution of the Chief State Sanitary Doctor of Russia dated October 17, 2022 No. 22 "On Amendments to the resolution of the Chief State Sanitary Doctor of Russia of March 18, 2020 No. 7 "On Ensuring the Isolation Mode in order to Prevent the Spread of COVID-2019", according to which the previously valid the requirement for foreign citizens and stateless persons to present negative results of a PCR test taken no earlier than 48 hours before entering Russia is cancelled.

Also, the requirement for Russian citizens to take PCR within 3 days after arriving in Russia from abroad and to observe isolation until a negative result is obtained, as well as the obligation of the employer to ensure that employees who have arrived from abroad are informed of the need to undergo such testing.

However, the requirement to fill out an arrival <u>questionnaire</u> for foreign citizens and stateless persons still remains. Russian citizens arriving in the country through air and sea checkpoints will fill out <u>a form on the Gosuslugi.ru website</u>.

The resolution also retains the right to conduct random testing for COVID-19 at checkpoints across the state border of Russia of Russian citizens, foreign citizens and stateless persons arriving in Russia (previously this requirement applied only to airports, but now all checkpoints). According to epidemiological indications, continuous testing of arrivals from countries where a deterioration in the epidemiological situation has been noted can be carried out.

The decision to cancel the PCR was published on the legal information portal on October 20, 2022, and entered into force the day after the official publication, i.e. October 21, 2022.

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