

Declaration of a state of emergency and emergency measures

Pursuant to Articles 5 and 6 of the Constitutional Act No. 110/1998 Coll., On the Security of the Czech Republic, the Government declares for the territory of the Czech Republic due to health threat in connection with proving the occurrence of coronavirus (referred to as SARS CoV-2) in the territory of the Czech Republic, a state of emergency for the period from 2 pm on 12 March 2020 for a period of 30 days.

New emergency measures

Prohibition of Traveling Abroad - The government banned traveling from the Czech Republic abroad to Czech citizens and foreigners with permanent or temporary residence over 90 days. The ban will apply on the night of Sunday, March 15, 2020 to Monday, March 16, 2020.

Foreigners are not allowed to enter the Czech Republic - At the same time, all foreigners will be banned from entering the Czech Republic. The ban does not apply to foreigners with permanent or temporary residence up to 90 days.

Prohibition of presence in swimming pools or information centers - The government will ban the public presence in swimming pools and tourist information centers from Saturday, March 14, 2020 from 6:00 am. From the same time, the presence at **outdoor and indoor sports** grounds with participation **exceeding 30 people** at the same time is prohibited.

Ban on selling at marketplaces - From Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 6:00 am, the government also prohibits selling at marketplaces and markets, such as Prague's Sapa.

Prohibition of Day Care Centers - Another measure of the Government is also to ban all day care centers. The measure is valid from Monday 16.3.2020.

Prohibition of prison visits - The government will ban prisons and detention centers from midnight to Saturday due to the spread of coronavirus. Prisoners will be able to make more calls with their relatives and will also change the parcel delivery system.

The spread of the virus is a crime - The government has also approved a proposal by the Minister of Justice Marie Benešová that the spread of coronavirus may be a crime.

Emergency measures as of 13.3.2020

The following events, both public and private, involving more than 30 persons at the same time, are prohibited from 13 March 2020 at 6 am: theatrical, musical, film and other artistic performances, sports, cultural, religious, federal, dance, traditional and similar events and other gatherings, exhibitions, festivals, pilgrimages, shows, tastings, markets and fairs, educational events (with the exception of markets and swimming pools that will be closed as above). The prohibition shall apply until the emergency measure is revoked. This prohibition does not apply to meetings and similar actions of constitutional bodies, public authorities, courts and other public persons held by law. At the same time, the funeral does not apply.

With effect from 13 March 2020 at 20:00, the public shall be prohibited from 20:00 to 6:00 in catering establishments - restaurants, pubs, bistros, cafes, etc..

Furthermore, the activity of catering establishments located within shopping centers with a sales area of more than 5000 m² shall be prohibited from 6 pm on 13 March 2020.

It is also prohibited from 13:00 to 6:00 pm public presence in the premises of some service providers. These include gyms, natural and artificial swimming pools, solariums, saunas, wellness services, music and social clubs, entertainment facilities, public libraries and galleries.

Due to the new limitation of the number of persons, the emergency measure of the Ministry of Health of 10 March 2020, which prohibited events of more than 100 persons, was abolished on 6 March at 6:00.