COVID Updates: Government Decree Issued December 18, 2020

We hope you are well. On December 18, Italian Prime Minister Conte presented the new decree that adds to the current protocols and restrictions on travel, testing, and other COVID-related regulations over the holiday season and until January 15, 2021.

Please find the entire decree in Italian here: https://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/atto/stampa/serie_generale/originario

MOVEMENT WITHIN ITALY

- **Lockdown measures will be in place from December 24 to January 6**: stricter "Red Zone" measures will be in place from December 24 to 27, December 30 to January 3, and January 5 and 6. Slightly less "Orange Zone" restrictions will apply on December 28, 29 and 30 as well as on January 4. Between December 21 and 23, Lazio will remain a Yellow Zone as it has been for the past month.
- A new concession from the Italian Government will allow **up to two adults to spend time in one other household once a day**, provided that the persons live in the same region and the visit takes place between 5am and 10pm. Children under 14 are not included in the "head count", neither are the disabled or persons who are not self-sufficient.
- **Moving around within your comune or between regions on Red and Orange days** requires that you fill-out and carry the Self-Certification with you: https://www.interno.gov.it/sites/default/files/2020-10/modello_autodichiarazione_editabile_ottobre_2020.pdf

Risk Level Calendar December 21 to January 6

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Red Zone Rules
You must remain at home unless you have a valid reason to be outside. "Red zone" measures will be in place on December 24, 25, 26, 27, 31 and January 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6.

- **Shops are obliged to close**, with the exception of food stores, newsagents, pharmacies, dry cleaners and hairdressers. Banks and post offices can remain open.
- Eateries (bars, pubs, restaurants, ice-cream parlors, and bakeries) may only offer takeaway until 10pm and home deliveries (no time limit).
- **You may only leave your home for essential work or urgent health reasons.** If you leave your home and are stopped by the police for a check, you must be able to justify your reasons using the [self-declaration form](#) and show a form of ID. If you are unable to do so, you risk a fine between 400 and 1,000 euro and, in extreme cases, criminal charges, and even imprisonment on the grounds of false declaration.
- During the festive season, you may leave your municipality within a radius of 30 kilometers if the population is less than 5,000, but you may not visit bigger towns and cities.
- It is recommended that you work from home, where possible, or take annual leave. If you have to go to work, you must show adequate documentation from your employer to justify your movements as well as a form of ID and the [self-declaration form](#).
- **The curfew between 10pm and 5am continues to apply.**
- Returning to your home or place of residence is always permitted.
- You may only exercise individually on foot or by bike in the vicinity of your home. (Remember to maintain social distancing and to wear a mask unless you’re in an isolated area or are running.)
- You are permitted to leave your home to care for a family member or a friend who is not self-sufficient.
- Separated and divorced parents are allowed to move between municipalities to see their children if they are minors, in observance of the health regulations in place (taking into account quarantine, positive cases and the immune-suppressed).
- Up to **two adults may spend time in another person's home**, on the condition that they live in the same region, only do so once a day, and observe the 10pm-5am curfew.

### Orange Zone Rules

"Orange zone" restrictions will apply on December 28, 29 and 30 as well as on January 4.

- Eateries (bars, pubs, restaurants, ice-cream parlors, and bakeries) may only offer takeaway until 10pm and home deliveries (no time limit). All other shops may open.
- **You can only move around within your municipality**, unless you need to leave for work, study, health, necessity or to use services not available in your area (such as post offices and supermarkets). If you need to leave your municipality for work, you must be able to show adequate documentation provided by your employer to prove the reason for your movements. If stopped by the police for a check, you will be required to fill in the [self-declaration form](#). You do not need require the self-certification form between 5am and 10pm if you remain in your municipality.
• You can leave your home for a walk or to exercise within your municipality. (Remember to maintain social distancing and to wear a mask unless you’re in an isolated area or are running.)
• **The curfew between 10pm and 5am continues to apply.**
• Returning to your home or place of residence is always allowed.
• You are permitted to leave your home to care for a family member or a friend who is not self-sufficient.
• Separated and divorced parents are allowed to move between municipalities to see their children if they are minors, in observance of the health regulations in place (taking into account quarantine, positive cases and the immune-suppressed).
• Up to two adults may spend time in another person's home, on the condition that they live in the same region, only do so once a day, and observe the 10pm-5am curfew.

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL INTO ITALY**

From **December 22 to January 6**, international entry into Italy is prohibited EXCEPT FOR:
• Essential work needs
• Urgent health needs
• Returning to your residence/domicile

Anyone entering **Italy at this time must undergo a mandatory 14-day quarantine period.**

From **January 7 to January 15**, international entry into Italy is permitted according to the rules and guidelines stipulated by the Minister of Health: [http://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto](http://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto)

- **All international entry into Italy requires a 14-day quarantine immediately upon arrival.**
- **Exception to quarantine is permitted only for** 1) those with explicit permission from the Government for essential work needs, or 2) those on a COVID-tested flight who comply with all testing requirements as stipulated by the airline and departure/arrival ports of entry.
- **All entering persons must fill-out the Self-Certification:** [https://www.esteri.it/mae/resource/doc/2020/12/modulo_rientro_sintetico_4_dicembre_per_eng.pdf](https://www.esteri.it/mae/resource/doc/2020/12/modulo_rientro_sintetico_4_dicembre_per_eng.pdf)
- **Additional restrictions depend on country of origin and are classified into 5 categories (A-E).**
  - List A – San Marino and Vatican City (no quarantine necessary, no motivation for movement necessary)
  - List B – All countries originally in this classification are moved to list C
  - List C – Majority of E.U. countries (full list here: [http://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=italiano&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto&tab=4](http://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=italiano&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto&tab=4). Entry to Italy from one of these countries does not require a specific motive (i.e. free movement for tourism is permitted) but the 14-day quarantine period is mandatory.
  - List D - Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Rwanda, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Uruguay. Entry to Italy from one of these countries is permissible for
essential work, health, or study reasons or to return to one’s residence/domicile. The 14-day quarantine is mandatory.
  o List E – Rest of world (including the U.S.). Entry to Italy from one of these countries is permissible for essential work, health, or study reasons or to return to one’s residence/domicile. The 14-day quarantine is mandatory.

- **The decree reaffirms that in-person lessons are only available for first-year university students, that is to say, only students who are in their first year of study at the university undergraduate level may attend classes in person. The only exception are students enrolled in lab courses in which cases all students can attend. After January 15, this rule will be reassessed by the Italian Government and may be amended.**

Kind regards,

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