



The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Heads of Mission accredited to Oslo and has the honour to refer to changes in the regulation on Covid-19 measures to introduce stricter rules for entry into Norway to reduce the infection and stop the spread of the coronavirus mutation.

The following change will take effect at 00:01 on Sunday 31 January 2021:

A certificate showing that you have undergone the Covid-19 infection has so far given exemption from the requirements of entry quarantine, a certificate showing a negative test for SARS-CoV-2, and testing upon arrival.

However, counterfeit certificates has increased the risk of importing the coronavirus, including new, more infectious variants. These exemptions for holders of certificates of having undergone the disease are therefore abolished. A certificate will no longer give exemption from neither the requirement of mandatory testing upon arrival, nor entry quarantine.

In order to be exempted from the requirements of submitting a certificate showing a negative test for SARS-CoV-2 taken within the last 24 hours before arriving in Norway, and infection quarantine, it is required to have documentation of having undergone the Covid-19 disease. For exemption from the infection quarantine requirement, only a Norwegian certificate of having undergone the Covid-19 disease is accepted.

Exemptions for members of diplomatic missions and family members forming part of their household are continued. The exemptions still apply to non-resident diplomats accredited to Norway and diplomatic couriers.

Diplomatic and consular personnel accredited to Norway and their accompanying family members are strongly urged and expected to comply with the current regulations and recommendations, both at the national and local level, as well as other regulations, on a voluntary basis.

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At today's press conference, the Government prolonged the national measures as of 18 January until the middle of February, to prevent the spread of the more contagious mutated virus.

The strict regional measures affecting in total 25 municipalities (including Oslo) introduced last weekend, will be prolonged until (and including) 2 February.

As of 3 February the regional measures will affect fewer municipalities and some measures affecting children, youth and workplaces will be lifted and have effect until (and including 10 February). For more detailed information, please see the press release

<https://www.regjeringen.no/no/aktuelt/videreforer-smittetiltak-men-gir-lettelser-for-barn-og-unge/id2830766/>

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Heads of Mission accredited to Oslo the assurance of its highest consideration. 

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