



Embassy of Italy  
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## INFORMATION ON COVID-19 IN ITALY 10 December 2020

The number of positive cases in Italy is still high and restrictions are in place to avoid overcrowding in public spaces and possible contagion. Rules differ according to individual regions. A tricolor code classifies regions on the basis of actual data and epidemiological risk: orange for those at low risk, orange for medium risk and red for high risk.

Wearing a mask is mandatory in all public spaces and outdoor, unless you're distant from other people or you're practicing sports. A nation-wide curfew is imposed between 22 and 5.

For information in English about the current situation in Italy visit the Civil Protection Department website: [www.protezionecivile.gov.it](http://www.protezionecivile.gov.it).

To contain the contagion, a nationwide state of emergency is in place until 31 January 2020. The decree from the President of the Council of Ministers of 4 December 2020 established the health regulations to contain the spread of the virus, including the rules for entering and leaving Italy. The decree is valid until **15 January 2021**.

Restrictions to the mobility between regions are in place between 21 December 2020 and 6 January 2021. In the days of Christmas, Boxing Day and First January, it is forbidden to move outside your own municipality, unless for work, health reasons or for emergencies. It is always possible to return to your own's domicile.

If you have any doubts about travelling to Italy, please contact the consular office of the Italian Embassy in Dar es Salaam by mail ([cons.dar@esteri.it](mailto:cons.dar@esteri.it)) or phone (255 22 2115935 / 36 – 2123010/11).

## TRAVEL FROM/TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

The 3 December 2020 Decree maintained five categories of countries with different regulations.

A – Republic of San Marino and Vatican: no limitations.

B – Void

Travel is allowed for any reason and without the obligation to self-isolate on return. The requirement to fill a self-declaration remains.

C – EU countries, Schengen countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland), United Kingdom, Andorra and Monaco. No restrictions for those travelling to the above Countries. Those who enter Italy, in addition to completing a self-declaration, shall present a declaration stating that they have taken a molecular or antigenic swab test, with a negative result, 48 hours before entering Italy. Otherwise they will be put under quarantine for 14 days. Between 21 December and 6 January, all people entering Italy from these countries will be put under quarantine, unless they had traveled for work, study, health, necessity or to return to their domicile.

D – Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Singapore, Thailand, Uruguay.

Travel is allowed for any reason. On entering Italy travellers must self-isolate and undergo supervision by the competent health authorities for 14 days; they are also required to fill in a self-declaration form and reach their final destination in Italy only by private means (airport transit is allowed, however without leaving the dedicated areas of the terminal).

E – Rest of the world (including **Tanzania and Comoros**) not included in other lists.

Travel is allowed only for specific reasons, such as work, health or study, or absolute urgency, returning to your home. Travel for tourism is not allowed. The return to Italy from this group of countries is always permitted to Italian/EU/Schengen citizens and their family members, as well as holders of residence permits and their family members. That includes also travellers with a proven and stable affective relationship (regardless of whether or not they cohabit) with Italian/EU/Schengen citizens or with persons who are legally resident in Italy (on a long-term basis) and if they are travelling to their partners' home in Italy.

On entering Italy from any of these Countries, travellers will be required to fill in a self-declaration form specifying the reason for entering Italy. The form must then be presented to the competent authorities if requested. Please be prepared to show any support documents and to reply to any answers by the competent authorities.

Travellers will be allowed to reach their final destination in Italy only by private means (airport transit is allowed, however without leaving the dedicated areas of the terminal). Travellers must self-isolate and undergo supervision by the competent health authorities for 14 days.

## **EXCEPTIONS**

Provided that no symptoms of COVID-19 occur and that there have been no stays or transits in one or more countries on list F in the fourteen (14) days before entering Italy, and with the obligations to fill a self-declaration and presentation of a negative result of a molecular or antigenic test (if applicable) and communication of one's entry from abroad into the national territory, the provisions concerning the obligations of self-isolation, health supervision, the use of the private means of transport to reach the final destination and to undergo a swab test\* do NOT apply:

- a) participation to international sport competition, under certain conditions;
- b) to anyone (regardless of nationality) entering Italy for a period not exceeding 120 hours for proven needs of work, health or absolute urgency, with the obligation, at the end of that period, to leave the national territory immediately or, failing that, to begin the period of health supervision and self-isolation;

- c) to anyone (regardless of nationality) transiting, by private means, through the Italian territory for a period not exceeding 36 hours, with the obligation, at the end of that period, to leave the national territory immediately or, failing that, to begin the period of health supervision and self-isolation;
- d) citizens and residents of the countries listed in lists A, B, C and D who enter Italy for proven work reasons. For countries in list C it is mandatory to undergo a molecular or antigenic test;
- e) to the personnel of companies and institutions with registered or secondary offices in Italy for travel abroad for proven work reasons of no more than 120 hours;
- f) officials and other servants, however, they may be called, of the European Union or international organisations, diplomatic agents, administrative and technical staff of diplomatic missions, consular officials and employees, and military staff and Italian Police personnel in the performance of their duties.

Other exemptions are in place for particular cases and for passengers of “covid-free” flights”, approved by the competent health authorities.

Please contact the Embassy's consular office by mail only to inquire about possibility to travel to Italy at: [cons.dar@esteri.it](mailto:cons.dar@esteri.it). For other inquiries contact Ambassador's office at [segr.dar@esteri.it](mailto:segr.dar@esteri.it). For commercial issues, contact [comm.dar@esteri.it](mailto:comm.dar@esteri.it).

### **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

If you feel bad and have symptoms (cough, fever, difficult in breathing), stay home and avoid contacts with others. Do not go to clinics. Contact your doctor or Tanzanian Ministry of health emergency toll free number: 199. For Zanzibar, call toll free: 190.

Aga Khan Hospital has a dedicated 24/7 hotline: +255 785 749 359. You can also contact IST Clinic: 0718 783393, 0746 499411, 0688 783391, 0784 783393, 0684 7833920.

All samples are being processed at the government lab and the time to take the sample and get a result could be 24hours. Until you get a result, assume you are contagious and isolate yourself as much as possible.

### **USEFUL LINKS**

Italian Prime Minister's Office: [www.governo.it](http://www.governo.it) (Italian only).

Italian Civil Protection: <http://www.protezionecivile.gov.it> (Italian and English).

Italian Ministry of Health: <http://www.salute.gov.it/nuovocoronavirus> (Italian only).

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs: [www.esteri.gov.it](http://www.esteri.gov.it) (Italian and English).

Minister of Health of the United Republic of Tanzania: <https://www.moh.go.tz>.

Ministry of Health in Zanzibar: <https://www.mohz.go.tz/>.