

Report directly from the Chancellor Corona press briefing from 4:20 p.m.

About new findings and measures in the corona crisis

The trigger for the rising corona numbers is seen in shared accommodation, events and celebrations, and vacation-related mobility. In order to get back to "normal" values, in addition to the already known measures, no major new opening steps are taken. Regional adjustments are possible. All federal states with the exception of Saxony Anhalt have committed themselves to a minimum fine of 50 euros. In local and long-distance traffic, it is to be examined how the fine can be levied as an increased transport fee and thus collected by the train staff directly on site.

Often travelers are not informed, also due to the ongoing changes in the risk areas, which according to the regulation, quarantine is mandatory. In terms of voluntary testing when returning from areas without a risk warning, the free test ends on September 15, 2020. The federal and state governments expressly appeal once again to all those returning to travel to comply with the quarantine regulations. (Note: Obviously, compliance seems to fall on deaf ears with some, otherwise probably not the appeal). The Infection Protection Act is to be changed in such a way that compensation for loss of wages is no longer granted if you enter areas / countries that have already been classified as risk areas before the trip for no good reason. Anyone who violates the imposed obligations should receive sensitive fines.

Another problem is the exit cards, which are often not completely filled out (like now, nobody checks that?), Now the whole thing is to be digitized, the Ministry of the Interior is working flat out (makes sense when the vacation times are over). Due to problems with the quarantine, the partly too early tests are planned from the beginning of October 2020, to be able to control better with the help of digitization, to make the tests accordingly only after 5 days after the return trip in order to get reliable results (i.e. Conversely, everything that has been done so far is largely humbug or actionism, only a small part is "caught", so to speak). The test capacities are to be expanded so that, in addition to travelers, retirement and nursing homes, schools, hospitals and daycare centers can be better tested.

The RKI is requested to check the duration of the quarantine to see whether it can be shortened. A major conference with all areas of the health service is to take place on September 8th. Parents of children get 5 more paid days off for possible examinations of their children if they have a cold or a test is due.

Bans on major events will be extended from the end of October to the end of 2020, namely all those where it is not possible to trace contacts and comply with hygiene rules. When it comes to sporting events, the individual countries will work in working groups by the end of October 2020 to find out how this is possible again.

At the beginning of his additional remarks, Mr. Söder explains that the harmony between the Prime Ministers was not as pronounced as sometimes desired, and that some differences had to be overcome, he calls it "different temperaments". This is also supported by the extremely long time that was spent on the video conference this time: Obviously, the "agreement", one can also say the "compromise", was difficult to achieve. Because the press briefing planned after the conference took place with a delay of over 3 hours, otherwise completely unusual. First difference to the other federal states: Bavaria will continue with the free tests from non - risk countries as a service of the state until October. With the exit cards, Söder not only criticizes the way they are filled out, but also sees the switch to the digital process as an ambitious undertaking. He could have said right away that he didn't believe it until the end of September. Speaks for the alleged professionals who deal with it. He also clearly speaks of a surprise for him that there are travelers who still travel to a country or area for no

good reason, even though travel warnings and risks have been issued for weeks. One must separate the reasonable from the unreasonable, he makes clear.

Regarding the questions of the journalists: Söder speaks out on the topic of spectators at football that it may be possible to agree a small step before Christmas. He couldn't have said it any more precisely. Ms. Merkel talks about regional measures and guest restrictions, especially at celebrations, but knows very well that neither the health department nor any other office will find out about it, let alone obtain approval if someone wants to celebrate their 30th birthday with their 100 friends. They just come and celebrate, only to live with any new infections afterwards, that's it. We have heard it enough times in the past. Mr. Tschentscher from Hamburg explains that the fines have been passed by all countries and that nothing stands in the way of their introduction. Ms. Merkel confirms the end of the VAT reduction on December 31. this year and at the same time talks about the fact that 90% of the citizens can look forward to an abolition of the solos.

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