In order to contain the corona epidemic, the Hessian state government has introduced regulations which impose far-reaching restrictions on various areas of life. These rules are binding for all persons residing in Hesse.

Further information is available at www.hessen.de.

The following regulations concern all persons entering Hessen from abroad.

Ordinance of 13 March 2020 for combating the corona virus,
last modified on 10.4.2020 (extract, complete at www.hessen.de)

§ 1
Quarantine

(1) Persons who (...) enter Hessen by land, sea or air from a country outside the Federal Republic of Germany (...) are obliged to go directly to their own home or other suitable accommodation immediately after arrival and to remain there permanently for a period of 14 days after arriving; this also applies to persons who first entered another federal state in the Federal Republic of Germany. The persons mentioned in Clause 1 are not permitted to receive visits from persons who do not belong to their household during this period.

(2) The persons covered by Para. 1 Clause 1 are obliged to contact the health authority responsible for their own place of residence or other suitable accommodation without delay and notify it of the existence of the obligations under Para. 1. Persons covered by Para. 1 Clause 1 are also obliged to contact the responsible public health department in accordance with Clause 1 without delay if symptoms of a disease with COVID-19 occur in the sense of the criteria defined by the Robert Koch Institute.

(3) The persons recorded in Para. 1 Clause 1 shall be subject to observation by the responsible public health department during the period of isolation.

Exceptions to these regulations apply to, for example:

- employees of haulage and transport companies who have been abroad for less than 72 hours,
- persons whose activity is essential in the public interest (e.g. employees of the health care system and regulatory authorities),
- through travellers - these must leave Hesse by the most direct route,
- persons who have been abroad for less than 48 hours.

Violations of these regulations can be punished with a fine of up to €25,000.