

Update 29: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends Restrictions Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

- Bulgaria's Health Minister Stoicho Katsarov has issued three orders extending anti-epidemic restrictions currently in place in the country
- Bulgarian nationals and permanent residents traveling from a country on the red zone list would be put in ten-day quarantine
- The quarantine rules would apply if they presented only a vaccination/recovery certificate or negative polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test
- The quarantine could be lifted if they had a negative PCR test within 24 hours of entering the country
- A similar rule applied to children aged 12 to 18, if traveling from a red zone country
- The other two orders, signed by Katsarov extended the anti-epidemic restrictions inside Bulgaria to August 31, 2021
- This includes 50% capacity limits on restaurants, entertainment establishments, gyms and spas, cinemas, theatres, and museums
- Additionally, concert venues, sports events, seminars and exhibitions, children's clubs, and language schools are subjected to the same
- Stores are required to limit the number of customers inside as well as provide masks for their employees and disinfectant for their customers
- Employers are required to allow their employees to work from home where possible, with no more than 50% of staff in the workplace
- Face masks remain mandatory in indoor public spaces
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Bulgaria:
 1. Confirmed Cases: 424,872
 2. Deaths: 18,211 (4.29%)
 3. Recoveries: 398,536 (93.80%)
 4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 2,013,988
 5. Fully Vaccinated: 991,535 (14.2%)
- Supply Wisdom will continue to monitor and issue alerts for any relevant developments

Source(s)

<https://sofiaglobe.com/2021/07/30/covid-19-in-bulgaria-health-minister-extends-anti-epidemic-measures/>
<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/bulgaria/>
<https://news.google.com/covid19/map?hl=en-IN&gl=IN&ceid=IN%3Aen&state=2&mid=%2Fm%2F015qh>
<http://www.mh.government.bg/en/>

Targets Affected:

Sofia

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to '[Lockdown/Emergency/Extension of Lockdown/Other Restrictions](#)' under the '[COVID-19: Actions to Consider](#)' section below / next page

Related Alerts

July 17, 2021

Medium

Update 28: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Travel Restrictions on United Kingdom Effective July 19, 2021 Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

June 17, 2021

High

Update 27: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports First Case of Delta Variant of COVID-19

May 30, 2021

Medium

Update 26: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends State of Epidemic Emergency Until End of July 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 28, 2021

Medium

Update 25: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends State of Epidemic Emergency Until May 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 27, 2021

Medium

Update 24: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes New Rules for Entry into the Country, Effective May 01, 2021 to Curb the Spread COVID-19

April 25, 2021

Medium

Update 23: Sofia, Bulgaria - Records Death of 105 in Last 24 Hours Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

April 2, 2021

Medium

Update 22: Sofia, Bulgaria - Eases Restrictions Amid Third Wave of COVID-19 Pandemic

March 31, 2021

Medium

Update 21: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends Part of COVID-19 Restrictions

March 17, 2021

High

Update 20: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Total Lockdown Effective March 19, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic; Updates List of Red Zone Districts

March 13, 2021

Medium

Update 19: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Mandatory Ten Days Quarantine on Arrivals from Africa Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

March 10, 2021

Medium

Update 18: Sofia, Bulgaria - Economy Contracts by 4.2% in 2020 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Feb. 28, 2021

Medium

Update 17: Sofia, Bulgaria - Orders to Reopen Businesses Including Restaurants and Entertainment Venues Effective March 01, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Feb. 7, 2021

Medium

Update 16: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 30 Deaths and 910 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 223,552

Dec. 23, 2020

Medium

Update 15: Sofia, Bulgaria - Resumes Flights from UK and Northern Ireland Amid New COVID-19 Strain

Dec. 17, 2020

Medium

Update 14: Sofia, Bulgaria - Plans to Extend Restrictions Until January 31, 2021 Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Dec. 1, 2020

Medium

Update 13: Sofia, Bulgaria - Bans Travelers from Outside European Union, Effective December 1, 2020 Amid COVID-19 Crisis

Nov. 29, 2020

High

Update 12: Sofia, Bulgaria - Imposes Partial Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

Nov. 24, 2020

High

Update 11: Sofia, Bulgaria - Plans to Impose Strict Lockdown Amid Surge in COVID-19 Cases

Nov. 14, 2020

Low

Update 10: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports Economic Recovery in Q3 2020 as GDP Increases by 4.3% Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Nov. 1, 2020

Medium

Update 9: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 2,891 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 51,041

Oct. 25, 2020

Medium

Update 8: Sofia, Bulgaria - Tightens Lockdown Restrictions Amid Surge in New COVID-19 Cases

Oct. 14, 2020

Medium

Update 7: Sofia, Bulgaria - Reports 785 New COVID-19 Cases in Last 24 Hours, Raising National Total to 25,774

Aug. 9, 2020

Medium

Update 6: Sofia, Bulgaria - Confirms 5,180 Active COVID-19 Cases, Raising National Total to 13,343

June 11, 2020

Medium

Update 5: Sofia, Bulgaria - Extends Epidemiological Emergency for 15 Days as COVID-19 Cases Increase

May 6, 2020

High

Update 4: Sofia, Bulgaria - Removes
Checkpoint at City-Entrance Starting
May 6, 2020 Amid COVID-19
Pandemic

April 28, 2020

High

Update 3: Sofia, Bulgaria - Confirms 58
New COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 1,348

April 17, 2020

Immediate

Update 2: Sofia, Bulgaria - Announces
City Closure to Curb the Spread of
COVID-19 Pandemic

March 31, 2020

Immediate

Update 1: Sofia, Bulgaria - Rise in
Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

March 13, 2020

Low

Sofia - Coronavirus Infection Cases

Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.