

Guide for COVID-19 Vaccinations

Application for vaccination certificates

There are 2 types of certificates: Hungarian Immunity Certificate and EU Digital COVID Certificate (DCC)

A) APPLICATION FOR THE HUNGARIAN IMMUNITY CERTIFICATE

You are entitled to an immunity certificate, if you have been vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine authorized in the European Union and Hungary - in the territory of Hungary or the countries listed below:

Member States of the European Union: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Netherlands, Croatia, Ireland, Poland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Slovakia, Slovenia

Candidate countries of the European Union: Albania, Northern Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey

Member countries of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD): United States, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, South Korea, United Kingdom, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Netherlands, Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Canada, Colombia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Luxembourg, Hungary, Mexico, Germany, Norway, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey, New Zealand, United States

Member States of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO): Albania, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, United States, United Kingdom, Northern Macedonia, Estonia, France, Greece, Netherlands, Croatia, Iceland, Canada, Poland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Montenegro, Germany, Norway, Italy, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey

Member States of the Cooperation Council of Turkic Speaking States: Republic of Azerbaijan, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Turkey, Republic of Uzbekistan

In addition, in the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Bahrain and in the countries specified in the decree of the minister in charge of foreign policy in agreement with the minister in charge of public security.

Foreign citizens without a TAJ number, if they have registered on the website www.vakcinainfo.gov.hu and received their vaccination in the territory of Hungary, will be issued the immunity certificate automatically, ex officio.

As of 28 June 2021, a non-Hungarian citizen legally resident in the territory of Hungary for more than 90 days within 180 days, who has been vaccinated in one of the countries listed previously may apply for the issuance of an immunity certificate **free of charge in a government office in person or electronically**. It is necessary to fill in the form on the website www.magyarorszag.hu electronically.

Please note that foreign nationals vaccinated abroad do not have the opportunity to use the Immunity Certificate mobile application.

1. What documents are required for a non-Hungarian citizen who was vaccinated abroad?

The application must be accompanied by a certificate of vaccination in Hungarian or English issued by the foreign authority or the healthcare provider performing the vaccination. Failing this, an authentic Hungarian translation of your certificate in another foreign language must be attached to the application. The certificate must include the type of the coronavirus vaccine, the date and place of the vaccination.

2. How long does it take to receive the immunity certificate?

After March 1, 2021, the immunity certificate will be issued ex officio and mailed within 8 days after the vaccination in Hungary. As mentioned above, in case you have been vaccinated in another country, it will be issued within 15 days of the submission of the application.

3. How to receive the immunity certificate?

In all cases, the immunity certificate will be delivered by post to the declared place of residence provided during the registration/application, or, failing that, to the home address.

4. How long is the validity of the immunity certificate?

According to the current regulations, the immunity certificate card does not have a validity period.

B) ISSUANCE OF THE EU Digital COVID Certificate (DCC):

Starting from 1 July 2021, it is possible also in Hungary to issue EU Digital COVID Certificate (DCC)

1. Who can receive the EU Digital COVID Certificate (DCC)?

Digital Covid Certificate (DCC) can also be issued to those, who

- have been vaccinated against COVID-19 – Vaccination Certificate

2. Based on what data can the EU Digital COVID Certificate be issued?

The EU Digital COVID Certificate can be issued based on the data registered in the National eHealth Infrastructure (abbreviated EESZT) of the person concerned.

3. In what ways can the EU Digital COVID Certificate be issued?

Foreigners who do not have a Hungarian TAJ number may apply for EU Digital COVID Certificate personally in any government office. In this case, the DCC will be printed and sent by post.

4. What data are required in the case of personally submitted requests?

The request must include the identification data of the applicant and, if they have one, their TAJ number. If the applicant does not have a TAJ number, the request must include the number of the official identity document of the applicant, which was provided to the healthcare provider in the course of the healthcare procedure that established the certificate's eligibility based on the EUr.

5. Without registered vaccination in the National eHealth Infrastructure (EESZT), who is eligible to apply for a Vaccination Certificate?

- Persons who are entitled to a Hungarian immunity certificate for vaccinations received abroad, based on the Government Regulation 60/2021 (II.12.).

- Persons who hold a certificate of immunity issued by a state whose certificate of immunity is recognised by Hungary, and the fact of this is declared in the decree of the minister in charge of foreign policy, issued in agreement with the minister in charge of border policing.
- Persons who have been vaccinated with a vaccine are accepted in Hungary.

Application for vaccination certificate may only be submitted in the government offices.

The certificate is issued upon request to those entitled. In the case of such request, the competent healthcare provider registers the information relating to the vaccination in the EESZT.

6. What information shall be included in the application of those persons defined in point 5?

The application must include the identification data of the applicant, the number of the official identity document as well as the certificate of vaccination in English or Hungarian language issued by the foreign authority or the healthcare provider performing the vaccination. Failing this, an authentic Hungarian translation of the certificate in another foreign language must be attached to the application and it must contain the information defined in points c) – j) of Article 1 listed in the Annex of EUr. as follows:

- (c) disease or agent targeted: COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2 or one of its variants);
- (d) COVID-19 vaccine or prophylaxis;
- (e) COVID-19 vaccine product name;
- (f) COVID-19 vaccine marketing authorisation holder or manufacturer;
- (g) number in a series of doses as well as the overall number of doses in the series;
- (h) date of vaccination, indicating the date of the latest dose received;
- (i) Member State or third country in which the vaccine was administered;
- (j) certificate issuer;

The issuing authority issues to EU Covid Certificate in the case of certification of vaccination by a vaccine approved and used in Hungary.

Those concerned can submit their application as of 9 August 2021.

7. Persons who were vaccinated abroad may apply for DCC starting from 9 August 2021:

The application for DCC may be submitted in person in any government office. The vaccination certificate needs to be attached in Hungarian or English. Based on the document, the government office contacts the competent healthcare provider. The DCC is issued following the data entry by the healthcare provider, and sent by post in a printed form to the foreign applicant, who does not have a TAJ number.

8. Who can be considered protected due to being vaccinated against COVID-19?

Those who have received at least the first dose of a vaccine authorised and used in Hungary for the vaccination of the population, as long as the vaccination took place less than a year ago. **The validity of the vaccination certificate is 1 year.**

9. Does the type of vaccine affect the issuance of the vaccination certificate?

Every vaccinated person is entitled to receive the vaccination certificate, regardless of which type of vaccine they received. The Member States will need to accept certificates issued for COVID-19 vaccines that have been granted marketing authorisation by the Union. So those eligible for such certificate will be exempted from restrictions to free movement. Member States may decide to extend the exemption to those EU travellers who received another type of vaccine.

10. COVID-19 certificates issued by a third country

If the vaccination certificate was issued in a third country for a vaccine complying with a COVID-19 vaccine that has been granted EU marketing authorisation, and the authorities of the Member State received all necessary information, including a credible proof of the vaccination, the mentioned authorities may issue the vaccination certificate for the person concerned upon request. Member States should not be required to issue a vaccination certificate where the COVID-19 vaccine concerned is not authorised for use on its territory.

As noted above, the Digital COVID Certificate may be requested in Hungary by those who are eligible for immunity card due to being vaccinated abroad, based on the Government Regulation 60/2021 (II. 12.), and those, who hold a certificate of immunity issued by a state whose certificate of immunity is recognised by Hungary, and the fact of this is declared in the decree of the minister in charge of foreign policy, issued in agreement with the minister in charge of border policing.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE APPLICATION FOR THE HUNGARIAN IMMUNITY CERTIFICATE AND THE DCC MAY BE DONE AT THE SAME TIME IN THE GOVERNMENT OFFICE. THEY WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO THE MOBILE APPLICATION, HOWEVER, THEY WILL RECEIVE THE DCC AND THE HUNGARIAN IMMUNITY CERTIFICATE IN PAPER FORMAT BY POST, TO THE MAILING ADDRESS PROVIDED DURING THE APPLICATION