



Starting from 15 March, Ukraine closed its borders for foreign citizens for two weeks. Foreigners with temporary or permanent residency permits are exempt from the ban.



Starting from 17 March and until 24 April, Kyiv and other big Ukrainian cities introduced restrictions in order to stop the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19):

- Movement of people between the capital and other points within Ukraine is restricted.
- All cultural, sporting, social, religious and other mass events are banned.
- Restaurants, including fast food restaurants, cafes, bars, and shopping malls are also closed.
- People are officially allowed to work from home for the duration of the quarantine period.



Starting from 25 March and until 24 April, the Government introduced the emergency situation regime in the entire territory of Ukraine to prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Law no. 3219 'Amending certain Legislative Acts of Ukraine with a view to Preventing Occurrence and Spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)'.



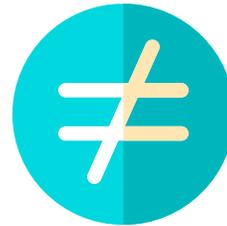
Law no. 3220 'Amending the Tax Code of Ukraine and other Laws of Ukraine with a view to Supporting Tax Payers for the Duration of the Measures Implemented to Prevent the Occurrence and Spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)'.



Emergency situation is a special temporary legal regime that arises from the violation of normal living conditions and activities of people through an accident, catastrophe, natural disaster or epidemic.

Emergency Situation

The emergency situation **DOES NOT** limit the constitutional rights of citizens but only consolidates the efforts to combat coronavirus.



State of Emergency

During this period the state can directly manage both state and all private companies, and the rights and freedoms of Ukrainians may be restricted.



During an emergency situation, the authorities, and the civil protection services, will work intensely, in a special mode. Emergency **DOES NOT** imply government intervention in the management of private companies or restrictions on the rights and freedoms of Ukrainians.

Main Novelties according to Law no. 3219

Force-majeure



The Law enables the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce to certify the occurrence of force-majeure in contracts with reference to the quarantine.

Vacations and teleworking



Employers may ask employees to work from home or to allow employees go on a vacation leave, if they so wish.

Opening hours of businesses



Owners of companies may change their opening hours. Information about such changes must be advertised through websites and through other communication channels.

Foreigners



A ban upon imposition of administrative sanctions against foreigners and stateless persons who were not able to leave Ukraine.

State supervision and administrative services



Governmental authorities are prohibited from carrying out scheduled measures with regard to state control (supervision) over commercial activities.

Taxes and duties



Importation into Ukraine of medicines and medical equipment required for prevention, containment and liquidation of the coronavirus are exempted from VAT.

Public procurement



The procurement of goods, works or services required for the prevention, containment or liquidation of outbreaks, epidemics or pandemics of the coronavirus is temporarily exempted from the public procurement tender formalities.

- ★ **Canceled penalties for violation of tax legislation** for the period March 1 – May 31, 2020
- ★ **Moratorium on tax audits** for the period March 18 – May 31, 2020
- ★ **Suspension of statutory limitation periods** for the period March 18 – May 31, 2020
- ★ **Mandatory cash registries for all business working on the simplified tax regime** postponed by 3 months
- ★ **Canceled payment of Single Social Contribution** for all private entrepreneurs and those engaged in independent professional activities for the period March 1 – April 30, 2020
- ★ **Non-residential real estate owned by individuals or legal persons is not subject to real estate tax** for the period March 1 – April 30, 2020
- ★ **Rent on land is not accrued and paid** for the period March 1 – April 30, 2020
- ★ **Wealth and income declarations filling period** extended until July 1, 2020

Investors Concerns

The Government imposed restrictions on entering Ukraine's territory, that will impede supply chains



Indeed, starting from March 15 Ukraine closed its borders for foreign citizens for 2 weeks to prevent the spread of coronavirus. However, **the ban does not apply to international freight operations**. Latest news and updates on trade related measures are published at Facebook page [#uatradecovid19](#). For more information please refer to Customs Service (by hot-line phone number **1548** or via web-site <https://cc.customs.gov.ua/>).

Closure of border crossings which will increase time for customs clearance



As one of restrictive measures, almost half of Ukraine's 230 border crossings are closed through Friday, April 3. In case of long queues at a border crossing, you can chose another open checkpoint within your district. An interactive map shows open and closed checkpoints online: <http://shorturl.at/jmpT5>.

The Government imposed restrictions on movement within Ukraine, that will impede companies' operating activity



To prevent the spread of coronavirus the Government has imposed some restrictions on internal movement:
1) quarantine is imposed in all territory of Ukraine for the period from March 12 till April 3, 2020;
2) regular and irregular suburban and intra- and interregional passenger transportation between cities is banned for the period from March 18 till April 3, 2020.
However, regular special transportation which includes **transportation of employees to worksites is not forbidden**. There is only a limitation on number of employees – 10 people in one vehicle.
For more information please refer to: <http://shorturl.at/eNY29>.

Foreigners that are not able to leave Ukraine's territory in connection with the quarantine will be punished



The recently adopted Law no. 3219 'Amending certain Legislative Acts of Ukraine with a view to Preventing Occurrence and Spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)' **bans imposition of administrative sanctions against foreigners and stateless persons who were not able to leave Ukraine** or file a request with the offices of the State Migration Service for the extension of their permitted stay in Ukraine in connection with the quarantine.

Due to COVID-19 and UAH exchange rate fluctuations NBU will impose currency restrictions



The National Bank of Ukraine (NBU) has enough reserves to smooth the hryvnia exchange rate fluctuations - currently the international reserves of Ukraine amount to approx. \$25 billion. **NBU does not plan any limits on capital withdrawal or currency restrictions**.