

Are you travelling to Germany?

Please be aware that according to German legislation:

- police and customs officers may carry out checks in plain clothes and they may use civilian cars

- persons travelling to Germany may be checked without reasonable suspicion

- the checking authority may seize items in your possession or money as a deposit

Did you know that it is prohibited to transport:

- knives with a solid blade longer than 12 cm

- certain types of pyrotechnics

- number of other objects (For more information visit: www.mvcr.cz)

When travelling to Germany you may often be subject to checks performed within the scope of the fight against crime in the border regions.



What are your rights? Do you think that you were checked unjustifiably?

Request that the officer(s) provide proof of identity (state, federal or customs).

Note the service number of the officer(s) and the license plate of their vehicle.

Ask about the purpose of the check.

If your personal belongings are being checked, request a written certificate (*Durchsuchungsbescheinigung*) confirming the check (the police in Saxony and customs officers are not obliged to give you one).

It is necessary to file complaints directly with German authorities and in accordance with German legislation.

In case of further questions contact: stiznost.schengen@mvcz.cz

Have you had any issues?

Contact consular service:

+49 170 247 99 56

In case of an emergency abroad,

call the European emergency

number: **112**

