

Section 16g

Reliable COVID-19 certificate

A certificate of COVID-19 vaccination may be considered reliable if it indicates the name and date of birth of the person vaccinated, the vaccine received, the place and date of issue of the certificate, and the signature and stamp of the vaccinator or other similar confirmation. A vaccination series means the number of vaccine doses defined in the marketing authorisation.

A COVID-19 test certificate indicating a negative result may be considered reliable if it indicates the name and date of birth of the person tested, the diagnostic method used in the test, the date when the sample was taken and the laboratory, healthcare authority or other national authority that issued the certificate.

A certificate of recovery from COVID-19 may be considered reliable if it indicates the name and date of birth of the person tested, the date when the positive sample was taken, the place and date of issue of the certificate, and the signature and stamp of the physician or other similar confirmation.

The certificate referred to in subsections 1–3 or its certified translation must be in Finnish, Swedish or English. The certificate presented in the Sámi homeland referred to in the Act on the Sámi Parliament (974/1995) may also be in any of the Sámi languages.

Provisions on the EU Digital COVID Certificate are laid down in Regulation (EU) 2021/953 of the European Parliament and of the Council on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable COVID-19 vaccination, test and recovery certificates (EU Digital COVID Certificate) to facilitate free movement during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The persons employed by or performing tasks belonging to a municipality or joint municipal authority referred to in section 16a, subsection 3 above shall have the right to be informed of the content of the certificate presented by the person, to process the personal data referred to in subsections 1–4 that is provided by the person and to make an entry in the case-specific register referred to in section 39 indicating that the person presented the certificate referred to in section 16a, subsection 1, if the processing is necessary for the purpose of the tasks laid down in sections 16a–16e.