## **Government Decree 177/2021 (15 April)**

# on returning to normal education in public upbringing institutions, vocational training institutions and in adults training, and terminating the extraordinary break in kindergartens

The Government,

acting within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (2) of the Fundamental Law, having regard to section 51/A of Act CXXVIII of 2011 on disaster management and amending certain related Acts,

acting, with respect to section 6, within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (3) of the Fundamental Law, on the basis of an authorisation by the National Assembly pursuant to section 2 (1) of Act I of 2021 on the containment of the coronavirus pandemic,

acting within its function laid down in Article 15 (1) of the Fundamental Law, decrees as follows:

### 1. Termination of the extraordinary break in kindergartens

**Section 1** The extraordinary break in kindergartens introduced on 8 March 2021 shall terminate on 19 April 2021.

# 2. Rules on returning to normal education in public upbringing institutions and vocational training institutions

- **Section 2** (1) In grades 1 to 4 in primary schools (lower grades), digital working arrangements outside of classroom shall terminate on 19 April 2021.
- (2) From 19 April 2021, grades 1 to 4 in primary schools (lower grades) shall operate in normal working arrangements.
- (3) Grades 5 to 8 in primary schools (upper grades), secondary schools, schools other than those referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2), and vocational training institutions shall operate in digital working arrangements outside of classroom until 9 May 2021.
- (4) In all grades in public upbringing institutions and vocational training institutions, digital working arrangements outside of classroom shall terminate on 10 May 2021.
- (5) From 10 May 2021, all grades in public upbringing institutions and vocational training institutions shall operate in normal working arrangements.
- **Section 3** As regards the operation of public upbringing institutions and vocational training institutions, the implementation of government measures shall be regulated in a ministerial decision by the minister responsible for public upbringing and the minister responsible for vocational training, respectively.

### 3. Rules on returning to normal education in adults training

- **Section 4** (1) Contact-hour education and training within the meaning of point 8 of section 2 of Act LXXVII of 2013 on adults training (hereinafter the "Fktv."), including organising education and training under section 1 (2) of the Fktv. by an adults training provider, may be organised and completed in a form that relies on a digital device used for contact between persons participating in the training and instructors without requiring meeting in person or in the framework of closed-system electronic distance education, or in the form of distance education, even if doing so is not allowed by law, a grant document, a grant contract, an adults training contract, an authoritative contract or the training programme otherwise.
- (2) Participation by a person participating in a training in accordance with paragraph (1) shall be considered attendance in person.

- (3) Other than in the case of dates previously set for central written tests in 2021, the central written examination activities of complex vocational qualification examinations organised in adults training that fall on a day between 12 and 18 April 2021 may also be held 14 days later than originally set.
- (4) Professional examinations in law may be organised in accordance with Decree 5/1991 (4 April) IM on professional examination in law.

### 4. Final provisions

Section 5 (1) With the exception specified in paragraph (2), this Decree shall enter into force on 19 April 2021.

- (2) Section 6 shall enter into force on 3 May 2021.
- 6. § (1) The Government extends the temporal scope of this Decree until Act I of 2021 on the containment of the coronavirus pandemic is repealed.
  - (2) This Decree shall be repealed on 23 May 2021.

Section 7 Subtitle 7 of Government Decree 104/2021 (5 March) tightening protective measures temporarily shall be repealed.

Section 8 Section 1 (1) of Government Decree 111/2021 (6 March) on the supervision of children while protective measures are temporarily tightened shall be replaced by the following provision:

"(1) During the period of digital working arrangements outside of classroom according to section 2 (3) of Government Decree 177/2021 (15 April) on returning to normal education in public upbringing institutions, vocational training institutions and in adults training, and terminating the extraordinary break in kindergartens, in grades 5 to 8 in primary schools, at the request of a parent or a statutory representative, the head of the institution shall provide for organising the supervision of children and students during the day."

Section 9 Government Decree 145/2021 (27 March) on returning to normal education in public upbringing institutions and vocational training institutions, and terminating the extraordinary break in kindergartens shall not enter into force.

Section 10 Section 9 and section 10 of Government Decree 167/2021 (9 April) on organising secondary school leaving examinations for the period May to June 2021 during the period of state of danger and on certain public education rules shall not enter into force.

