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Information for people offering guiding services in Český Krumlov

In the Czech Republic, business can be conducted in accordance with the Act number 455/1991 which can be found at the pages of the Ministry of Business and Trade of the Czech Republic at www.mpo.cz/business/licensed-trades/.

Guide service is considered to be licensed trade providing this service is conducted interruptedly, independently, in their own name, on one's own responsibility aiming to gain profits.

Guide services can also be conducted by an employee whose employer is a holder of guide services trade license.

Guide service (Travel Industry) is the licensed trade included within the section No.71 Free Trades: Manufacturing, trade and services not showed in the Enclosures 1 to 3 of the Trade Act.

In order to legally offer guiding services in the Czech Republic, one has to comply with conditions that are described bellow. The business office of the Cesky Krumlov city hall conducts regular inspections to determine whether guides are complying with these conditions. These inspections are carried out in accordance with Act 255/2012 (Inspection Act). The person who is being inspected has to create conditions that allow the inspection to be carried out in accordance with the Inspection Act. When the inspected person cannot sufficiently cooperate with the inspection, their employer is responsible for cooperating with the inspection. The inspectors establish their identity by showing their inspector ID. They are accompanied by interpreters who speak English, German, French, Russian, Japanese or Chinese. The inspection produces an inspection report, the counterpart of which is then given to the inspected person. The refusal to be inspected can incur a fine up to 500,000 CZK and depending on its character can be classified as a misdemeanor or a delict. The offering of a guiding service without the appropriate business license can incur a fine up to 500,000 CZK.

Thus we ask you for your cooperation. Your tour will not be interrupted for longer than necessary (up to 15 minutes). In order for the inspection to proceed as quickly and successfully as possible, the guide must carry the following documents:

1. a Czech citizen or a European Union citizen residing in the Czech Republic:

- an ID
- a Czech Republic business license copy

2. a European Union citizen offering their guiding services temporarily in the Czech Republic:

- an ID
- a proof that they have a business license in their country that is the equivalent of the Czech Republic business list

3. a citizen of a country outside of the European Union:

- an ID and a proof that they are in the Czech Republic legally (a visa)
- a Czech Republic business license

4. an employee:

- an ID
- a certificate proving that they are an employee
- a copy of the employer's Czech Republic business license or its equivalent from the employer's country of origin