

# Corona: basic rules and most recent measures

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## Basic rules

**Follow 4 basic rules to stop the spread of the coronavirus.**

- Call the doctor if you are sick or have [symptoms](#), and stay at home.
- Restrict your [non-essential travel](#).
- [Meet up with others](#) outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water.

**Other measures you should follow:**

- Everyone is allowed to have [1 close contact](#).
- You are allowed to meet up [outside with a maximum of 10 people](#).
- Everyone over the age of 12 must always carry a [face mask](#) with them when they go outside.
- Provide your contact details when asked.
- [Working from home](#) is mandatory wherever possible.
- A [curfew](#) is in effect between midnight and 5 AM.
- Use extra caution around people who belong to a high-risk group:
  - over-65s
  - diabetics
  - heart, lung or kidney patients
  - people who are more susceptible to infections

## Most recent corona measures

**Maximum of 10 people outside**

**Shopping without an appointment**

- Shopkeepers are allowed to receive customers without an appointment.
- Two people from the same family (or you and your close contact) are allowed to enter the store together.

### **Non-medical contact professions reopen**

Among other things, hairdressers and beauticians are allowed to reopen (under the stricter protocols).

### **Reopening of schools**

- Pre-school education, primary education, special secondary education, the first two years of secondary education and the 'learning and working' system: full-time classroom attendance.
- Second and third grades of secondary education: 50 percent classroom attendance;
- Higher Education: 1 day per week of physical on-campus presence.

Exams may be organised with physical attendance.

### **Non-essential travel: testing and quarantine**

Non-essential travel within the European Union is permitted. For travel outside the European Union, European rules continue to apply. All non-essential travel is still advised against.

Upon return, a strict system of mandatory testing and quarantine applies. Violations could be punished with a corona fine of 250 euros.

### **More and tighter controls on working from home**