New coronavirus

Switzerland is in an extraordinary situation. The number of cases is increasing rapidly. The entire population is affected and urgently called upon to take responsibility. To limit the number of severe cases of the disease and prevent our healthcare system from being overloaded, we need to act together.

The Federal Council calls for members of the public to act responsibly and with solidarity. If you have symptoms of illness, stay at home and do not go to public spaces. The new measures are directed at everyone: both members of the public and professional circles. The measures are designed to help limit the spread of the virus as far as possible. In this section of the website you will find information for members of the public and people who are at especially high risk (i.e. especially vulnerable).

Current situation – Switzerland and international

Information on the number of confirmed cases of coronavirus and those who have died as a result of the infection, as well as the report on the epidemiological situation in Switzerland, can be found here.

Federal government measures

The Federal Council's highest priority is to protect the public. It has declared that an 'extraordinary situation' exists in Switzerland. Everyone is affected and must now act responsibly.

New coronavirus: Contact information

This page provides a variety of useful contact details and links to cantonal authority websites, Infoline phone numbers and other useful websites.

People at especially high risk

The new coronavirus represents a particular danger for people over 65 years of age and those with a pre-existing condition. They may become seriously ill. What should they, as well as younger and healthy people, pay attention to?

Protect yourself and others

How can you protect yourself against the new coronavirus? You can find out just how to do that in the section on ‘How to protect yourself and others’. Follow the rules on hygiene and what to do if you experience symptoms.

Recommendations regarding self-isolation and self-quarantine

Not everyone carrying the coronavirus necessarily displays symptoms of the illness or feels ill. In order to stop the unhindered spread of the virus we need to act responsibly through self-isolation and self-quarantine.

Recommendations for the workplace

The new coronavirus can pose a risk to people over the age of 65 and to people with pre-existing medical conditions. Their protection is the main aim of these recommendations for the workplace. However, the recommendations apply to all employers and employees.

Recommendations for travellers

There is a risk of becoming infected with the new coronavirus in almost all parts of the world. The WHO has not yet issued any travel restrictions. Many airports have introduced stricter passenger monitoring procedures. You can find advice on what to be aware of here.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about the new coronavirus

Do you have any questions regarding the risk of infection, travel and tourism, symptoms, diagnosis and treatment, and protecting yourself from infection? You will find many answers here.

Information on the new coronavirus in easy-to-read language

Alle Menschen haben viele Fragen zum Corona-Virus.
Sie sicher auch!
Man kann krank werden. Man kann sich schützen.
Hier finden Sie Informationen.

COVID-19, symptoms and treatment, origins of the new coronavirus

What are the symptoms of COVID-19, and how might the illness progress? Can it be treated? And where did the new coronavirus first appear? Find out here.

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