New coronavirus

Switzerland now finds itself in an extraordinary situation. The number of cases is increasing rapidly. The entire population is affected and is urgently called upon to act responsibly: Stay at home. To limit the number of severe cases of the disease and prevent our healthcare system from being overwhelmed, we need to act together.

The Federal Council is calling on the public to act responsibly: Stay at home. The Federal Council has also further tightened its measures. It is banning gatherings of more than five people in public spaces. If five or fewer people meet, they must maintain a distance of 2 metres from one another. Anyone not complying with this rule will be fined. The other measures already in place remain in force. They are intended to curb the spread of the coronavirus as far as possible. Information for the public and people at high risk, for the workplace and for health professionals can be found here.

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

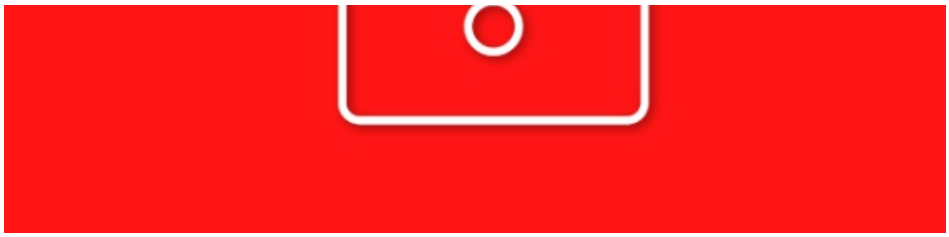
The Federal Council's highest priority is to protect the public. It has declared that an 'extraordinary situation' exists in Switzerland. Everyone is affected and must now act responsibly.

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.

Downloads in various languages

Everyone is now expected to act responsibly. The campaign 'How to protect yourself and others' tells you how best to do that. Here you can find downloads to help you and to share.



Protect yourself and others

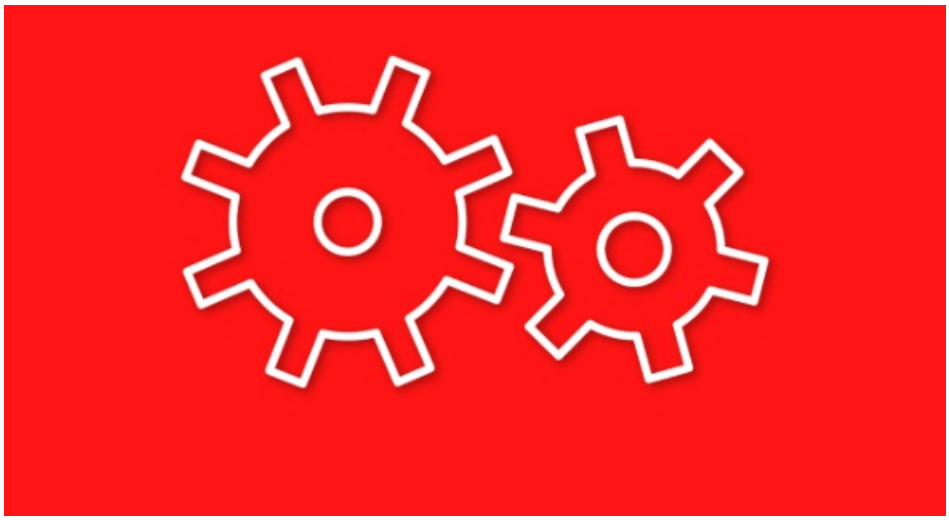
How can you protect yourself against the new coronavirus? You can find out just how to do that in the section on ‘How to protect yourself and others’. Follow the rules on hygiene and what to do if you experience symptoms.

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?

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 recommendations for the workplace are aimed at employers and workers. These recommendations and the more stringent measures imposed by the federal government have an impact on the workplace. Find out more here.

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.

New corona virus: information in easy-to-read language

All people have many questions about the corona virus.
Certainly you too!
You can get sick. You can protect yourself.
There are rules and prohibitions.
Here will you find information.

New coronavirus: Information in sign language

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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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