

Decisions taken by the Communicable Diseases High Committee convened on 2nd March 2022 within the scope of the 45/2018 Communicable Diseases Law

- Criminal proceedings will be launched in accordance with Article 43 (6) of the Communicable Diseases Law 45/2018 in the case of non-compliance with the rules decided by the Communicable Diseases High Committee and listed below.
- The rules to be implemented will be overseen by the District Police Boards, municipalities and the Police General Directorate.

WEEKLY COVID-19 DATA TABLES (02.03.2022)

COMPARISON TABLE			
	22.02.2022	01.03.2022	Change
Total number of cases	3.005	3.108	3,43%
Number of local cases	3.005	3.108	3,43%
Cases from abroad	0	0	0,00%
Number of cases per 100,000	786,65	813,61	3,43%
Local cases per 100,000	786,65	813,61	3,43%
Number of tests	132.640	131.147	-1,13%
Test positivity rate	2,27%	2,37%	4,41%
Being treated in hospital	43	47	9,30%
Being treated in intensive care	7	5	-28,57%
Intensive care rate	0,17%	0,12%	-29,41%
Number of active cases	4019	4124	2,61%
Number of cases who passed away	4	8	100,000%

AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAILY CASES PER 100,000 BY DISTRICT			
	22.02.2022	01.03.2022	Change
TRNC GENERAL	112,1	116,0	3,48%
LEFKOŞA	140,4	136,6	-2,71%
GAZİMAĞUSA	125,1	114,2	-8,71%
GİRNE	83,6	113,4	35,65%
İSKELE	80,9	67,5	-16,56%
GÜZELYURT	84,6	105,4	24,59%
LEFKE	77,2	76,2	-1,30%

DECISIONS

ENTRY TO THE COUNTRY

A) Pre-departure negative PCR result from the last 72 hours or negative Antigen result from the last 24 hours.

B) GENERAL RULES:

- Accepted Vaccines:
 - SINOVAC
 - SINOPHARM (VEROCELL)
 - COMIRNATY (Pfizer/Biontech)
 - VAXZEVRIA (Astrazeneca/Oxford)
 - COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen/ Johnson and Johnson
 - SPUTNIK V
 - MODERNA
 - NOVAVAX
 - COVISHIELD (Astrazeneca/Oxford)
 - COVAXIN
 - CANSINOBIO
- VACCINATED PEOPLE:
 - According to the definition of vaccinated person stated above, persons aged 18 years and over, whose second dose of vaccine (single dose for Johnson) has passed 14 days and has not passed 270 days (9 months), will be considered as vaccinated persons.
 - Persons aged 18 years and older who have 270 days (9 months) past their second dose (single dose for Johnson) will be considered as vaccinated if they have had booster doses.
 - Persons aged 12-18 years (including 12 and 18 years) will be considered a vaccinated person if 14 days have passed from second dose of vaccine (a single dose for Johnson) regardless of the booster dose.
 - Persons who have had the disease at least 10 days after the positive PCR test but who have not passed 180 days will be considered as vaccinated.
 - If people receive two different doses of the vaccines mentioned above, they will also be considered as vaccinated people.
 - Persons who have had Covid-19 disease and have had 1 dose of vaccine, but have not passed 90 days, will be considered as vaccinated.

-Children under the age of 12 will be considered according to their parents' entry criteria in the event of they are traveling with a parent who has been vaccinated and has the disease described above.

2. Everyone entering the TRNC by air-sea routes and from outside the island by using the land border gates must create a Digital Travel Document within the last 72 hours before travel from the Givende Kal (Stay Safe) application or the TRNC entry form section of the www.guvendekalkkktc.com website.

To create a digital travel document:

- Those with a smart device must download the Givende Kal (Stay Safe) application from Apple Store or Android Market to their smart devices and create a Digital Travel Document from the "TRNC Entry Form" step of the application.
- Those without a smart device must fill in the Digital Travel Document from the www.guvendekalkkktc.com address. They must keep the completed form with them digitally or as a printout.
- When creating their Digital Travel Document, people who will enter the country are required to save their vaccination documents and pre-departure negative PCR test results obtained within the last 72 hours by using the cameras of their devices to scan the QR code on the vaccination documents and PCR test results with the QR reader in the application.
- Persons under the age of 6 will not be able to create a Digital Travel document since they do not have to test for Covid-19 upon entering the country.
- Passengers who do not fill in the "TRNC Entry Form" through the stay safe application or the www.guvendekalkkktc.com website and do not create a Digital Travel Document QR code will not be able to enter the TRNC.
- Within the digital travel document, citizens of the Republic of Turkey can automatically upload their digital vaccination documents and PCR test results into the form by entering their HES codes.

INLAND BORDER CROSSING RULES

3. Based on the results of the epidemiological assessment within the island, "LEVEL 3" rules will be applied at the crossings.
According to this;

A) Persons who will pass without a Covid-19 test

- Persons vaccinated with a full dose of Comirnaty{Pfizer/Biontech), Vaxzevria(Astrazeneca) and Moderna vaccines and 14 days past their second dose of vaccines. People who have not passed 7 months since their last dose or who have taken the booster dose if it has passed.
- Persons who are fully vaccinated with Sinovac, Sinopharm or Sputnik and Johnson& Johnson vaccines and 14 days have passed since the second dose (1st dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine). People who have not passed 3 months since their last dose or who

have taken the booster dose if it has passed.

- B) Persons who will pass with negative PCR done within the last 7 days/negative antigen within last 48 hours
Unvaccinated secondary school students (secondary and high school students), children between 5-11 years old and unvaccinated residents of Kato Pyrgos

C) A 72-hour negative PCR or 48-hour negative antigen test is required for

- People who have not been vaccinated at all
- People aged 12 years and above who have not received a booster dose when due

ADA (ISLAND) PASS CHECK

4. THE VACCINE AND PCR CRITERIA OF PEOPLE WHO WILL ENTER VENUES/ SECTORS/ ACTIVITIES/ EVENTS TO BE CHECKED WITH THE ADAPASS SYSTEM ARE STATED IN THE TABLE BELOW.

✓ VACCINATED: NO TEST UNVACCINATED: LAST 72 HOURS PCR / LAST 48 AdaPassTIER 1	✓ VACCINATED: NO TEST UNVACCINATED: NO ENTRY AdaPassTIER II	
<i>SUPERMARKETS/MARKETS</i>	<i>CASINOS</i>	<i>INDOOR AREAS OF COFFEE SHOPS/COFFEEHOUSES</i>
<i>STATE OFFICES</i>	<i>BARNS/CLUBS</i>	<i>CINEMAS</i>
<i>RETAIL STORES</i>	<i>INDOOR FITNESS HALLS</i>	<i>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</i>
<i>BANKS</i>	<i>STADIUMS</i>	<i>CONGRESSES/RALLIES</i>
<i>OUTDOOR TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>INDOOR TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>YOUTH CAMPS</i>
	<i>BOXING /WRESTLING</i>	<i>BETTING SHOPS</i>
	<i>GROUP DANCES /</i>	<i>SHOPPING CENTRES</i>
	<i>SWIMMING POOLS</i>	<i>INTERNET CAFES</i>
	<i>HOTELS</i>	<i>BARBER</i>
	<i>NIGHTCLUBS</i>	<i>SHOPS/HAIRDRESSERS</i>
	<i>CONCERTS / THEATRES</i>	<i>PLACES OF WORSHIP</i>
	<i>WEDDINGS (WITH FOOD- INDOOR AREAS OF</i>	<i>OFFICES</i>
	<i>RESTAURANTS TAVERNS</i>	<i>EXHIBITIONS</i>

- ✓ People who have not had at least two doses of vaccine (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) are prohibited from entering indoor areas. In addition, even people who have had a double dose (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) but have not had a booster dose will only be able to enter supermarkets/markets, state offices, retail stores, outdoor team sports and banks with a negative PCR test from the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from the last 48 hours.
- ✓ The Adapass check is mandatory for those aged 12 and above and should be done with an ID card. The Adapass check can be done with an Adapass

card, vaccine card and test result document for the 12-18 age group.

There must be a responsible person at the entrances of the venues/activities/sectors/events specified above with the aim of actively performing Adpass checks

- People who have had the: VAXZEVRIA (Astrazeneca/Oxford) MODERNA

COMIRNATY (Pfizer/Biontech)

vaccines and

6 months have passed since their 2nd dose;

CORONAVAC (Sinovac) vaccine and 3 months have passed since their 2nd dose;

COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen / Johnson and Johnson vaccine and 3 months have passed;

will be regarded as unvaccinated people **within the country** and have their Adapasses cancelled if they do not have their 3rd dose vaccines.

Note: People who have had the disease will continue to be regarded as vaccinated for up to 90 days.

5. People working in the sectors operating in our country and listed below will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days if they are vaccinated and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.

TABLE: TESTS THAT SECTOR WORKERS MUST HAVE

ANTIGEN TEST (VACCINATED: ONCE EVERY 7 DAYS) (UNVACCINATED: ONCE EVERY 72 HOURS)	
<i>HOTEL STAFF</i>	<i>MARKETS/STORE STAFF AND SUPPLIERS</i>
<i>CASINO STAFF</i>	<i>BARBER / HAIRDRESSER/BEAUTY PARLOUR/TA TTOO SHOP STAFF</i>
<i>MUSICIANS</i>	<i>RESTAURANT STAFF</i>
<i>BAR/CLUB STAFF</i>	<i>CAFE STAFF</i>
<i>CINEMA STAFF</i>	<i>TAVERN STAFF</i>
<i>THOSE WHO DO TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>PATISSERIE STAFF</i>
<i>THOSE WHO DO SWIMMING SPORTS</i>	<i>COFFEE SHOP / COFFEE HOUSE STAFF</i>
<i>INDOOR SPORTS HALL STAFF</i>	<i>BANK STAFF</i>
<i>INDOOR CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA STAFF</i>	<i>PUBLIC SECTOR WORKERS</i>
<i>ENTERTAINMENT/CONCERTS AND SIMILAR EVENT STAFF</i>	<i>OFFICE WORKERS</i>
<i>NIGHTCLUB STAFF</i>	<i>INTERNET CAFE STAFF</i>
<i>CARE HOME STAFF</i>	<i>BETTING SHOP STAFF</i>
<i>SEA / CRUISE BOAT WORKERS</i>	<i>BOXING, WRESTLING, CLOSE</i>
<i>THOSE WHO STAY IN WORKER ACCOMMODATION/ LODGINGS</i>	<i>BEACH/POOL STAFF</i>
<i>PRODUCTION / FACTORY STAFF</i>	<i>SCHOOL/SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTRE</i>
<i>PUBLIC TRANSPORT STAFF</i>	
<i>STAFF AT PLACES OF WORSHIP</i>	

6. With the proposal of the Laboratory Committee, the Covid-19 tests used in our

country (PCR/antigen tests) must have CE-IVD certificates.

7. People will be able to perform a "Self-Test" antigen test, which they can obtain from chemists. However, these tests will not be entered into the Adapass system and will not be used for Adapass purposes.
If the self-test is positive, they are required to send the result to the phone number 0539 117 5223 via WhatsApp. The name, surname, identity number and image of the test result (photo of the test (cassette) where a double line visible) should be sent as a message via WhatsApp application.
8. 75% of closed areas will be used in all businesses. Hygiene and disinfection conditions must be applied both inside the workplace and at entrances and exits. It is the responsibility of the workplace to take and implement these measures. It is mandatory to wear masks and comply with the social distance rule in all indoor and outdoor areas.
 - People in internet cafes will be able to use the computers for a maximum of two hours.
 - Cinemas, indoor concerts and theatre halls will serve at half capacity and food will not be served.
 - Food will not be served in betting shops.
9. People visiting care homes for the elderly must submit a negative Covid-19 test result from the last 24 hours.

COVID-19 POSITIVE/CONTACT PEOPLE

10. Fully vaccinated people who have been in contact with a Covid-19 positive person will continue with their daily lives by wearing a mask and monitoring their symptoms. These people will have an antigen test done on the 5th day if they have no symptoms.

People whose vaccinations are incomplete or who are unvaccinated will isolate for 7 days and have an antigen test done at the end of the 7th day. If the result is negative, their isolation will end.

In both of the above circumstances, people will have PCR tests done earlier if they show symptoms before the specified time periods. If they are positive, the positive patient follow-up processes will begin.

11. Covid-19 positive people will be able to spend their quarantine period at their home with a wristband according to the conditions set out in Annex 1, if it is deemed appropriate. **Official documents will not be issued by the Ministry of Health to Covid-19 positive people who do not have any records on the Pandemic Information System.**

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION RULES

6. When the studies and guides are examined, it is deemed appropriate to open the special education, pre-school, primary and secondary education 2021-2022 Academic Year on a fulltime basis within the scope of the measures listed below.

Each school is responsible for setting up a "School Pandemic Committee". This committee will work in coordination with the Ministry of Health and will

consist of at least 2 people. (2 people for up to 250 students, and +1 person for every 250-plus students.) The contact details of the responsible person of the committee formed should be forwarded to the Ministry of Health.

The Communicable Diseases High Committee will hold meetings with Pandemic Committee representatives determined by the National Education and Culture Ministry to assess the situation at least once a month.

A) Transportation

- Students, drivers and supervisors will wear masks on school buses.
- Hand sanitiser will be available at the entrance to school buses.
- Supervisors on school buses will ask students about symptoms. Students with symptoms such as a fever, sore throat, cough, etc., will not be allowed on the bus.
- School pandemic committees will be responsible for the disinfection of transport vehicles and the follow-up and inspection of other transport-related measures.
- Students who are taken to school buses will be seated in the same seat every day.
- Transportation companies and pandemic committees will be responsible for implementing these rules

B) Mask

- It is mandatory for all school staff (including transport staff) to wear masks.
 - Students aged 6 and over will be required to wear masks. It is recommended that students aged 2-6 wear masks in the classroom and in indoor areas.
- In case of covid-19 positive cases in pre-school classes between the ages of 4-6, contact status will be evaluated considering whether the mask rule is applied or not.
- Training on the use of masks will be provided by the School Pandemic Committees.
 - Students who wear fabric masks are required to wash their masks every day.

C) Entry-Exit

- Attendants will be determined by the school management or the School Pandemic Committees to avoid congestion at school entrances and exits. Entry and exit will be provided by observing social distance.

D) The classroom

- Those who work in the classroom and students aged 6 and over are required to wear a mask. It is recommended that pupils aged between 2-6 wear a mask.
- Social distancing must be maintained as much as possible in the classroom (particularly in classes for pupils aged between 2-6).
- Classrooms must be ventilated and disinfection rules must be followed.
- Classroom teachers will ask students about symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat, etc. at the classroom entrance. Students with symptoms will be sent home.

E) Disinfection

- Training on hand disinfection will be provided by School Pandemic Committees.
- Hand sanitiser should be placed in areas deemed appropriate by the school administration (canteen, dining hall, etc.).
- The disinfection procedures specified in the booklet prepared by the Ministry of National Education and Culture must be followed.
- Disinfection within the school will be inspected by the School Pandemic Committees.

F) Break times

- Classes should take turns for breaks in order to prevent crowding during break times.

- The necessary arrangements should be made by the school administration in order to prevent crowding in the canteens.
- Classes should rotate their meal times in order to prevent crowding in the dining halls.

G) Common Use Areas

- Toilets in the school will be disinfected frequently.
- Masks will always be worn in the teachers' room, which is used as a common use area, and the social distance rule will be observed.
- The teachers' room, which is used as a common area, needs to be ventilated and disinfected frequently.
- School Pandemic Committees will be responsible for the supervision of common areas within the school.

G) Events

- If there is any collective activity in a school, mask and social distance rules will be observed. These activities will be carried out by minimising the interaction between classes.

H) Illness

- Parents should be warned not to send children with symptoms such as a cough, loss of taste and smell, sore throat, etc., to school.

J) Covid-19 Positive Patient and Contact

- The follow-up of Covid-19 positive patients and contacts will be managed in consultation with the School Pandemic Committees established in each school and the Ministry of Health contact team.

K) Tests

- People working at schools will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days if they are vaccinated (for screening purposes), and once every 72 hours if they are unvaccinated.
- Screening tests are not mandatory for pre-school students. However, an antigen test will be requested from a parent who lives in the same home as these students once every 7 days if they are vaccinated, and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.
- Primary education (from the 1st grade up to the 5th grade) students can repeat antigen tests once every 7 days. However, if these students are unable to do so, an antigen test will be requested from a parent who lives in the same home once every 7 days if they are vaccinated, and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.
- Students from the 6th grade onwards (6th grade included) will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days.
- Random tests will be conducted by the Ministry of Health on school staff and students.

Pandemic rules will be applied in workplaces where vocational education students undertake internships. Tests will be also be in this context. This will also apply to apprentices.

13. Practices relating to higher education are being maintained in communication with the School Pandemic Committees formed within the universities.
14. It has been deemed appropriate to conduct national/international exams to be held in

our country under the conditions stated below:

- Examinees and invigilators must have negative antigen tests from within the last 7 days if they are vaccinated and from within the last 48 hours if they are unvaccinated.

- Doors and windows must be kept open at all times in order to ventilate the exam area,
- Those entering the exam area must use personal protective equipment during the exam,
- Desks in the exam area must be arranged to comply with social distancing rules
- Disinfectant must be placed at the entrance to the exam area.

15. Schools' Positive Case and Contact Protocol

- Symptoms must be checked before leaving home, boarding a bus and entering school. Those who show symptoms (teachers, workers or students) will not be allowed into schools. They will be directed to take a test.
- If a student in the class shows symptoms, the student will be directed to take a test. If their test result is negative, they will return to school.

In the event of the test result of the student is positive; Contacted students determined by the Contact Tracking Unit will have PCR tests done and will be isolated until the test results come out. In this process, the Ministry of Health's Contact Tracking Unit decides the isolation situation of the people and reports this situation to the school management or school pandemic boards.

The rest of the class will continue their education at school by wearing masks and not coming into contact with other classes.

In case the teacher is in contact, fully vaccinated teachers will continue their daily lives with masks by following symptoms. If these people do not have symptoms, they will have the antigen tests done on the 5th day.

Incompletely vaccinated or unvaccinated teachers will be isolated for 7 days and will have antigen tests done at the end of the 7th day. If the result is negative, their isolation will end. In both cases, if people show symptoms before the designated days, they will do PCR on the day of symptom onset.

The isolation period of students and teachers whose PCR test results are positive is 7 days. At the end of the seventh day, patients are given a control PCR test. If the test result is positive, the quarantine period of the patients is ended on the 10th day.

If a positive person has an increase in shortness of breath, chest pain and existing symptoms (fever, cough, weakness, headache, etc.) at home, they have to call the doctor number given to them on 0533 878 1030 and inform them.

TRANSPORTATION

16. Passengers will not be allowed to sit next to the drivers of buses, minibuses, taxis with "T permits", touristic minibuses and permitted similar public transport vehicles. In buses, shared taxis and minibuses, passengers will be transported with a seating arrangement that leaves the seat behind the driver's seat empty.

Vaccinated people (including those who have had their first dose but whose time for their second dose has not yet come) aged 12 and over who use public transport will present their

Adapass/vaccine card before travelling. Unvaccinated people will present a PCR test from the last 72 hours/ antigen test from the last 48 hours.

Vehicles must be ventilated during and after journeys. The driver and passengers in the vehicle will wear masks. Vehicles will be disinfected after each journey.

1st Dose	2nd Dose	3rd Dose	4th Dose	5th Dose
SINOVAC	SINOVAC (1 month after the 1st dose)	BIONTECH (3 months after the dose)*	BIONTECH (1-3 months after 3rd dose)	BIONTECH (3 months after 4th dose)
SINOVAC	SINOVAC (1 month after the 1st dose)	SINOVAC (3 months after the 2nd dose)	BIONTECH (3 months after the 3rd dose) <i>** SINOVAC if there is no mRNA vaccine</i>	BIONTECH (3 months after 4th dose)
BIONTECH	BIONTECH (1 month later)	BIONTECH (3-6 months later)	BIONTECH (3 months after the 3rd dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)	
MODERNA	MODERNA	MODERNA/BIONTECH (3-6 months later)	BIONTECH (3 months after the 3rd dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)	
JOHNSON	BIONTECH (3 months later)	BIONTECH (1-3 months later)	BIONTECH (3 months after the 3rd dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)	
ASTRAZENECA	ASTRAZENECA (1 month later)	BIONTECH (3-6 months later)	BIONTECH (3 months after the 3rd dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)	

**B) The Vaccination Scheme for Those
Who Have Had the Covid-19 Disease -
1**

** People who have had the Covid-19 disease **BEFORE COMPLETING THE VACCINATION SCHEME OR WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN VACCINATED** should start vaccinating 1 month after the date they became negative.

1st Dose 1 month after the date of becoming negative	2nd Dose 2 months after the date of becoming negative	3rd Dose 5 months after the date of becoming negative
BIONTECH (RECOMMENDED)	BIONTECH (RECOMMENDED)	-
SINOVAC	SINOVAC	SINOVAC
ASTRAZENECA	ASTRAZENECA	-
MODERNA	MODERNA	-

**C) The Vaccination Scheme for Those
Who Have Had the Covid-19 Disease -
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** People who have had the Covid-19 disease **DESPITE BEING FULLY VACCINATED** should start vaccinating 3 months after the date they became negative.

VACCINATION BEFORE	3rd DOSE	4th DOSE	5th DOSE
2 DOSES SINOVAC	BIONTECH (3 months after becoming negative)	BIONTECH (3 months after 3rd dose)	
2 DOSES BIONTECH	BIONTECH (3 months after becoming negative)		
1 DOSE JOHNSON & JOHNSON	BIONTECH (3 months after becoming negative)	BIONTECH (3 months after 3rd dose)	

2 DOSES MODERNA	BIONTECH (3 months after becoming negative)		
2 DOSES ASTRAZENECA	BIONTECH (3 months after becoming negative)		
2 DOSES SINOVAC	SINOVAC (3 months after becoming negative)	SINOVAC (4 months after becoming negative)	SINOVAC (7 months after becoming negative)

D) THE VACCINATION PROCESS IS CONTINUING FOR THE 5-11 AGE GROUP

Annex 1 HOME ISOLATION OF COVID-19 POSITIVE PATIENTS

Required home conditions

- 1- For home quarantine to be applied to positive people, there must be a separate room in a way that there will be no contact with other individuals in the home (house, dormitory, lodgings, etc). If the same bath and toilet is used in the home then these places are disinfected after each use. Disinfection is done with bleach diluted to a rate of 1%. (1 small tea cup of bleach placed into 10 litres of water.)
- 2- A Covid-19 positive person placed in home quarantine will be monitored with a wristband. They cannot leave the home during quarantine (they can only leave in the case of an emergency, with the knowledge of the quarantine centre).
- 3- Absolutely no visitors are allowed into a home where a Covid-19 positive person has been placed in quarantine.

How the Process Works

- 1- The isolation process of a person starts after the message that their Covid-19 PCR test result is positive (Day 0).
- 2- It is important not to go to another test centre to repeat the test in order not to increase transmission.
- 3- The isolation period is 7 days. A control PCR test will be conducted on patients at the end of the seventh day. If the test result is positive, the quarantine period of patients is terminated in 10 days.
- 4- If the positive person experiences shortness of breath, chest pains and an increase in existing symptoms (fever, coughing, fatigue, headache, etc) at home they must call the doctor's number given to them and provide information.

Note: If a Covid-19 positive person has entered quarantine with a carer because they are a child or in need of care, or for a similar reason, when the patient's test turns negative vaccinated carers can continue with their daily lives by adhering to mask, distancing and

hygiene rules if the carer's result is negative.

Unvaccinated carers will be isolated for seven 7 days, even if their results are negative.

Vaccinated carers will have an antigen test done on the 5th day, and unvaccinated carers on the 7th day. These people will have PCR tests done earlier if they show symptoms before the specified time periods.

