

**THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH**

**Decisions taken by the Communicable Diseases High Committee meeting under the Communicable Diseases Law 45/2018**

**WEEKLY COVID-19 DATA TABLES (13.07.2022)**

<b>COMPARISON TABLE</b>			
	<b>05.07.2022</b>	<b>12.07.2022</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total number of cases	2,251	2,776	<b>23.32%</b>
Number of local cases	2,251	2,776	<b>23.32%</b>
Cases from abroad	0	0	<b>0.00%</b>
Number of cases per 100,000	589.27	726.70	<b>23.32%</b>
Local cases per 100,000	589.27	726.70	<b>23.32%</b>
Number of tests	18,869	16,692	<b>-11.54%</b>
Test positivity rate	11.93%	16.63%	<b>39.40%</b>
Being treated in hospital	13	23	<b>76.92%</b>
Being treated in intensive care	2	1	<b>-50.00%</b>
Intensive care rate	0.05%	0.04%	<b>-20.00%</b>
Number of active cases	2,059	2,500	<b>21.42%</b>
Number of cases who passed away	1	2	<b>100.00%</b>

<b>AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAILY CASES PER 100,000 BY DISTRICT</b>			
	<b>05.07.2022</b>	<b>12.07.2022</b>	<b>Change</b>
TRNC GENERAL	84.0	103.6	<b>23.33%</b>
LEFKOŞA	144.1	165.2	<b>14.64%</b>
GAZİMAĞUSA	60.2	76.6	<b>27.24%</b>
GİRNE	50.4	82.2	<b>63.10%</b>
İSKELE	14.8	26.6	<b>79.73%</b>
GÜZELYURT	72.7	79.2	<b>8.94%</b>
LEFKE	58.9	67.0	<b>13.75%</b>

## DECISIONS

### A. DECISIONS REGARDING ENTRY TO THE COUNTRY

1. Until a new decision is taken by our Committee, people will be able to enter the country without the requirement to take a Covid-19 test regardless of whether or not they are vaccinated.

### B. DECISIONS REGARDING INLAND BORDER CROSSINGS

2. People can continue to cross at inland crossing points without the requirement of a Covid-19 test.

### C. RULES REGARDING MASKS

1. **It is compulsory to wear masks in indoor areas and on public transport.**
2. **It is necessary to pay attention to social distancing and hygiene rules in outdoor and indoor areas.**
3. People with upper respiratory tract complaints will use masks in all areas (indoors and outdoors).
4. Indoor areas (classrooms, restaurants, gyms, and similar places) need to be ventilated frequently.

### D. GENERAL RULES REGARDING TESTS

5. With the proposal of the Laboratory Committee, the Covid-19 tests used in our country (PCR/antigen tests) must have CE-IVD certificates.
6. People visiting care homes for the elderly and prisons must submit a negative antigen test result from within the last 48 hours or a negative PCR test from within the last 72 hours. People showing symptoms will not be able to visit the specified places, even if their tests are negative.
7. People with symptoms will wear a mask and have an antigen test performed. If the antigen test is positive, a PCR test will be performed. People who have severe symptoms despite their antigen test being negative will be able to have a PCR test at the request of a doctor.

### E. DECISIONS REGARDING PEOPLE WHO ARE CONTACTS

8. 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. If these people have no symptoms, then they will have an antigen test done on the 5<sup>th</sup> day. However, if people who are contacts show symptoms before the specified period, they will have their antigen tests performed earlier. If their antigen test is positive then they will have a PCR test done.

## F. DECISIONS REGARDING COVID-19 POSITIVE PEOPLE

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- ✓ The isolation process of a person starts after the message that their Covid-19 PCR test result is positive (Day 0).
- ✓ If a second test is performed by going to another test centre, the result of the second test will not be taken into account.
- ✓ The isolation period is 7 days. At the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> day, people will be able to continue with their daily lives without the need to have a test done.
- ✓ If positive people experience symptoms such as shortness of breath, chest pain and an increase in symptoms (fever, coughing, fatigue, headache, etc.) at home, they can seek help by calling **0533 842 8358 or 1102**.

For home quarantine to be applied to Covid-19 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.)

A Covid-19 positive person placed in home quarantine cannot leave the home during quarantine (they can only leave in the case of an emergency, with the knowledge of the quarantine centre) and absolutely no visitors are allowed into the home where they have been placed in quarantine.

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.

## G. DECISIONS REGARDING VACCINES

10. Vaccinated people can have their booster doses done within 4-6 months.

People who have had the Covid-19 disease and not been vaccinated at all or who have not completed the vaccination process can get vaccinated 1 month after recovering.

As for vaccinated people who have had the Covid-19 disease, they can have their booster doses 4-6 months after recovering.