'Tackling COVID-19’ – the latest COVID-19 measures in the Free State of Saxony

As of: 4 March 2022

Saxon COVID-19 Protection Regulation dated 1 March 2022

On 1 March 2022, the Saxon state government approved further easing of the COVID-19 restrictions currently in place.

The changes take effect on 4 March and will apply until the end of 19 March 2022.

An overview of the COVID-19 measures

Private households

- 1 household + 2 persons rule – Private gatherings may be only between one household and no more than two persons from another household if they involve at least one unvaccinated person, with the exception of children under 16.
- Private gatherings involving only vaccinated or recovered persons have no limits on participant numbers.

FFP2 masks or equivalent respirator masks

- The wearing of FFP2 masks or equivalent respirator masks is mandatory in settings such as indoor spaces at establishments/institutions, companies, shops and government offices/authorities if these involve publicly accessible traffic areas and services where physical distancing is not possible.

Dining, culture and tourism

- Proof of 3G compliance will be required to enter hospitality venues (incl. bars without dancing).
- Overnight stays at hotels are permitted with proof of 3G compliance. No proof of compliance is stipulated for stays in holiday homes or at camping grounds.
- Proof of 3G compliance also applies to tourist bus and train services.
- Clubs and discos can be attended with proof of 2Gplus compliance. Mandatory mask-wearing, capacity limits and physical-distancing rules do not apply here.
Schools and education

- Schools can operate as normal. Two COVID-19 tests will be conducted weekly.
- Universities, training establishments, Berufsakademie Sachsen vocational academy – 3G rules apply for attending lectures.

Retail and services involving physical proximity

- Mandatory FFP-2 mask-wearing as a basic protection measure
- No further restrictions for accessing retail services
- 3G rules for all services involving physical proximity
- Travel agencies, insurance companies, solariums and other services previously subject to access rules may be used without further restrictions.
Public transport

- **FFP2 masks mandatory** on buses and trains

Culture, recreation and sport

- The **3G rules** apply for cultural and recreational facilities, as well as for events (including sporting events), with a maximum of 1000 participants attending at one time.
- Organisers of major events involving more than 1000 participants attending at one time can choose to subject access to either the **2G rules** or **3G rules**.
- In the case of the **2G rules**, the following capacity limits apply:
  - Maximum 60% capacity and no more than 6000 persons attending simultaneously indoors
  - Maximum 75% capacity and no more than 25,000 persons attending simultaneously outdoors
- In the case of the **3G rules**, a 50% maximum capacity limit will apply.
- At all events, mandatory mask-wearing only applies until you reach your seat.
- Indoor sporting facilities can be used subject to compliance with the **3G rules**. No proof of compliance is required outdoors.
- Pools, saunas and steam saunas can be attended in compliance with the **3G rules**.

Other areas

- Indoor weddings and funerals can be held in compliance with the 3G rules.
- Church services and other gatherings in churches or by religious communities only require a hygiene plan.