

## Information on coronavirus self-tests

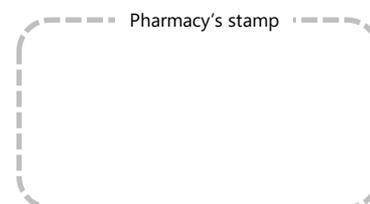
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You have obtained a coronavirus self-test kit from our pharmacy. Please pay attention to the important tips below.  
**The self-test is no substitute for the rules on hygiene and social distancing or existing precautionary measures.**

### What's important to remember when obtaining and using self-tests?

Self-tests have a significantly lower detection rate than PCR tests, so the results are less meaningful – especially for people without symptoms.

<b>When does a self-test make sense?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>For people without symptoms and contact with COVID-19 cases who want to do a test at home.</li><li>For people who have not (yet) been vaccinated or who have not had and recovered from COVID.</li></ul>
<b>When should you not do a selftest?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Self-tests shouldn't be done by people who have symptoms of illness. These people should have a PCR or rapid antigen test at a hospital, medical practice, test centre or pharmacy.</li><li>Self-tests shouldn't be done before visiting people who are at high risk or health facilities.</li><li>Self-tests shouldn't be used for repetitive tests in schools, companies and institutions.</li></ul>
<b>Where can self-test kits be obtained?</b>	In Switzerland self-test kits are available from pharmacies and from retailers against payment.
<b>Who pays for self-tests?</b>	As of October 1, 2021, the federal government has stopped covering the cost of the self-tests. However, they are still available for purchase.
<b>How many self-tests can you obtain from a pharmacy?</b>	There is no limitation for the purchase of self-tests.
<b>How do I use the self-test correctly?</b>	The patient information leaflet that comes with the kit describes how to use it. The QR code opposite will take you to an explanatory video
<b>The result of my self-test is positive</b> What should I do?	<p>→ <b>The result must be confirmed immediately (within 72 hours) with a PCR test. This confirmatory PCR test is free of charge.</b></p> <p>→ Please get a test immediately. QR code: Where can I get tested? <b>Please go into self-isolation</b> until you have the result of your confirmatory PCR test.</p>
<b>The result of my self-test is negative</b> What should I do?	<p>→ Continue to follow the rules on social distancing and hygiene issued by the Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH).</p> <p>→ Your test result is valid only on the day of the test. If you have symptoms, have a test at a hospital, medical practice, test centre or pharmacy. Find out more on your canton's coronavirus information website</p>



Your pharmacist is there to help if you have any questions or if anything is unclear.