

Guidelines for the COVID-19 Alert Level Traffic Light System



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Consists of 4 levels based on the average percentage of new cases to tests, in addition to the level of occupancy in intensive care unit, as follows:

Alert levels	Average percentage of new cases
Green	When the rolling average percentage of new cases out of tests carried out is below 2% for 14 days .
Yellow	When the rolling average percentage of new cases out of tests carried out is between 2 – 5% for 7 days .
Orange	When the rolling average percentage of new cases out of tests carried out is between 5% and less than 8% for 4 days .
Red	When the rolling average percentage of new cases out of all tests carried out is 8% or more for 3 days .

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- **Moving from a higher alert level to a lower one** would require staying at the same level for a period of no less than a week.
- **Moving up from a lower alert level to a higher one** can be immediate.
- **For example**, it would be possible to directly move from the green to the red level without going through the yellow and orange levels if the data indicated the need to.
- **The thresholds set for each alert level** is subject to change according to data and developments.

Green level

When the rolling average percentage of positive cases out of tests carried out is below 2% for 14 days.



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Retail shops



Shopping malls



Providing the option to attend education and training institutions



Entering standalone government centres



Gyms, sport halls and swimming pools



Restaurants and cafes



Organising events and conferences in external spaces



Playgrounds and entertainment centres



Barbershops, salons and spas



Public attendance of sporting events in outdoor areas



Limited to:



Vaccinated green shield holders

Those recovered from COVID-19

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a vaccinated or a recovered person



Cinemas with up to 50% of the facility's capacity



Organising indoor events and conferences



Attendance of indoor sporting events

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Yellow level

When the rolling average percentage of positive cases out of tests carried out is between 2 – 5% for 7 days.

Only the red, orange, and yellow alert levels will be adopted during this phase until at least 80% of individuals aged 40 and above have received a booster shot.

 **Work policy** Applying 30% work-from-home policy across all government entities

 **The following activities are for vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals**

-  Retail shops
-  Providing the option to attend education and training institutions
-  Entering standalone government centres
-  Holding of private events at home, with no more than 30 attendees

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-  Shopping malls
-  Restaurants and cafes indoor services
-  Indoor gyms, sport halls and swimming pools
-  Cinemas with up to 30% of the facility's capacity
-  Barber shops, salons and spas
-  Playgrounds and entertainment centres
-  Events and conferences
-  Audience attendance at sporting events

 **The essential sectors that will remain open are:**

Hypermarkets, supermarkets, grocery stores, and stores that sell meat products and fresh vegetables, bakeries, fuel and gas stations, private health clinics, with the exception of some health services for which a circular is to be issued by the National Health Regulatory Authority, banks and currency exchange services, administrative offices of institutions and companies, whose activities are not directly customer facing, import and export distributors, automobile repair and spare parts shops, businesses operating in the processing, construction and maintenance sectors, factories, telecom operators, pharmacies.

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Orange level

When the rolling average percentage of positive cases out of tests carried out is between 5% and less than 8% for 4 days.

 **Work policy** Applying 50% work-from-home policy across all government entities

Mandatory rapid testing

 **Vaccinated and not-vaccinated individuals can**

 Hold home gatherings with a limit of no more than 6 people

 Have the option to attend education and training institutions

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 Holding outdoor events and conferences for 50 people, and in indoor areas for 30 people

 Restaurants and cafes outdoor service for 50 people, and in indoor areas for 30 people per reservation

 Outdoor gyms, sport halls and swimming pools

 Retail shops outside of shopping malls

 Shopping malls

 Barber shops, salons and spas (services that do not require removing the mask)

 Outdoor cinemas

 Outdoor playgrounds and entertainment centres

 Entering standalone government centres

 Public attendance of sporting events in outdoor areas

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Red level

When the rolling average percentage of positive cases out of all tests carried out is 8% or more for 3 days.

 **Work policy** Applying 70% work-from-home policy across all government entities

Mandatory rapid testing

✓ Closure of all below sectors

 Suspending attendance at all educational and training institutions, activate distance learning, with the exception of attendance for international examinations

 Shopping malls

 Restaurants and cafes

 Retail shops outside of shopping malls

 Gyms, sport halls and swimming pools

 Cinemas

 Holding of private events at home

 Barber shops, salons and spas

 Events and conferences

 Playgrounds and entertainment centres

 Audience attendance at sporting events

✓ Limiting shop and restaurant services to external orders and delivery

✓ Limited to:

 Entering standalone government centers



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