

Hygiene concept of the Karlsruhochschule International University

Concept for temporary additional measures to protect against the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus

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Preliminary remark

The requirements of the [Corona-Verordnung der Landesregierung](#) (Corona Ordinance of the State Government) and the [Corona-Verordnung Studienbetrieb](#) (Corona Ordinance Study Operations), as amended from time to time, must be followed.

Hygiene measures

- **Distance requirement:** A distance of at least 1.50 m must be maintained, unless otherwise specified by the state government. This does not apply to activities where close physical proximity cannot be avoided. In these cases, wearing a medical mouth-to-nose covering is required. The minimum distance must be maintained throughout the university campus.
- **Mask obligation (FFP2):** Within closed rooms, there is an obligation to wear respiratory protection that meets the requirements of the FFP2 standard according to the DIN EN 149:2001 standard. A mask obligation also exists during examinations that take place in person at Karlsruhochschule and during participation in-person events. The obligation to wear an FFP2 mask does not apply to employees of the university. For them, the [SARS-CoV-2-Arbeitsschutzverordnung des Bundes](#) (Health and safety regulation of the federal government) continues to apply. Lecturers are exempt from the obligation to wear a mask when giving a lecture, provided that a distance of at least 1.5 m is maintained.
- **Masks (medical)** must be worn on the routes (corridors) within the university. There is no obligation to wear a medical mask, provided that a distance of 1.5 meters to other persons can be maintained or a medical certificate exempts from this.
- A violation of this medical mask obligation is an administrative offense in the sense of § 73 paragraph 1a number 24 of the Infection Protection Act.
- Thorough hand hygiene by washing hands with liquid soap for at least 20 - 30 seconds (especially after using public transportation, after contact with stair rails, door handles, grab bars, before and after eating or visiting the restroom)
- Coughing and sneezing etiquette: Cough and sneeze into the crook of your arm! When coughing or sneezing, keep the greatest possible distance from other persons and turn your body away.
- Do not touch the face with hands, especially the mucous membranes (mouth, eyes or nose).

- Do not touch, hug or shake hands.
- A visit to Karlsruhochschule or participation in an event is not permitted if you have to go into quarantine or isolation according to the requirements of the state government, in particular according to the [CoronaVO Absonderung](#). This applies in particular when
 1. You have typical symptoms of coronavirus infection, in particular shortness of breath, new-onset cough, fever, loss of smell or taste, and either the public health department has ordered a PCR test for the coronavirus for you or you have undergone a PCR test for the coronavirus because of the typical symptoms of an infection,
 2. You have tested positive (even if you do not have typical symptoms).
 3. You live in a household with a person who has tested positive by PCR or rapid test, or
 4. You are a close contact person according to the specifications of the RKI (in particular in case of contact with infected persons at a distance of less than 1.5 m, for longer than 10 minutes, without covering the mouth and nose – see [Definition RKI](#))By entering Karlsruhochschule or participating in an event, you declare that the above-mentioned reasons for exclusion do not apply.
- Lecture, seminar and meeting rooms must be ventilated regularly. As far as possible, windows should also remain open during events/meetings. In addition, aerosol filters ensure improved air quality and a reduction in aerosols in the rooms. CO2 measuring devices control the air quality in each room.
- Karlsruhochschule uses signs inside the buildings to point out that hygiene measures must be observed and has set up hand disinfectant dispensers at central locations.

Lectures

- According to current knowledge, infection with the coronavirus occurs essentially through droplets and aerosols. Therefore, special care must be taken to **ensure regular and thorough air exchange** in the rooms of Karlsruhochschule. Shock ventilation (completely open all windows that can be opened) is to be observed according to the time schedule of the lectures, but at the latest every 45 minutes.
- Surfaces and objects, especially tables, are cleaned regularly. In addition, disinfectant is provided by the building services department. The sanitary areas are also cleaned regularly.
- Events in face-to-face form and other face-to-face formats of study operation are permitted in accordance with § 2 CoronaVO Studienbetrieb. The obligation to wear a medical mask does not apply if a minimum distance of 1.5 meters to other persons can be reliably maintained and nothing else has been ordered by Karlsruhochschule. When leaving the seat, masks must be worn.
This regulation is currently suspended. The obligation to wear an FFP2 mask applies during study operation.
- Lecturers are not required to wear a medical mask if a distance of 1.5 meters to other persons can be reliably maintained.
- For other events outside of the lecture program, the „Hygienekonzept Karlsruhochschule Veranstaltungen“ applies.

3G Rule

- Entrance to the university is only possible upon presentation of proof of vaccination, convalescence or testing as defined in § 4 paragraph 2 and § 5 paragraphs 2 and 3 CoronaVO.
- Proof of GGG must be provided upon entering the university:
 - Negative Covid 19 test, max. 24 hrs old: **A rapid test** is valid (performed by medically trained personnel in pharmacies or test centers) → NO SELF-TESTS) or a **PCR test** or
 - Proof of recovery (min. 28 days and max. 3 months old without further vaccination) or
 - Proof of complete vaccination (at least 14 days old, max. 3 month old, in case of booster vaccination - immediate validity unlimited)
- The verification of the proof of vaccination, convalescence or test will be carried out on the basis of random samples.
- The existence of a vaccination, convalescence or test certificate is checked for all participants at other events at Karlsruhochschule.

Library

- Separate regulations apply to the use of the library - see "Information about library use".

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Head of University