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ADVICE ON THE USE OF MASK

The use of masks should be considered only as a complementary measure and effective only when used in combination with other prevention measures, such as physical distancing, meticulous hand hygiene and other personal protective measures.

How to wear a mask safely

1. Before putting on or removing a mask, wash hands with soap and water or with alcohol-based hand rub.
2. Make sure the mask covers your mouth, nose and chin and adjust the mask to your face without leaving any gaps between your face and mask.
3. Ensure the coloured-side faces outwards.
4. Do not remove the mask to talk and avoid touching the mask; otherwise wash hands or use alcohol-based hand rub.
5. To remove the mask: remove it from behind the ears and do not touch the front of mask.
6. After the use, discard the mask immediately in a closed bin and wash hands.

When to use a mask

The use of mask in the community is recommended when visiting busy and closed spaces, such as supermarkets, department stores, pharmacies and banks.

Wearing a mask is to be obligatory for people working at:

- Means of Public Transportation
- Indoor spaces of companies with customer service
- Public Service and wider public service departments with customer service
- In workplaces that involve physical proximity with the public in retail stores.

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