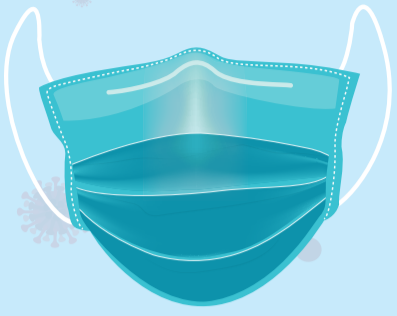




COVID-19

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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