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## PRESS RELEASE

## Rapid antigen testing units - 9 October 2021

Based on the decisions of the Council of Ministers, dated 30 July 2021, and aiming at the suppression of the dispersion of the virus SARS-CoV-2, as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of August, in places where SafePass is required, individuals aged 12 and above must hold one of the following:

- 1. **Certificate of vaccination** with at least one dose of the vaccine. A period of three weeks must have elapsed from the day of the administration.
- 2. Proof that they have been **infected with COVID-19 during the last six months**.
- 3. **Certificate** of a PCR negative test or a negative rapid antigen test result, **valid for 72 hours.**

According to the Ministerial Decision, dated 2 July, as of 1<sup>st</sup> of August, only the following groups of citizens may be served through the mobile rapid antigen testing units:

- Minors up to 17 years old. It is understood that children aged 12-17 who do not have the consent of their parents/legal guardians for vaccination may carry out a rapid test free of charge through the programme of the Ministry of Health.
- Persons aged 18 years or over who cannot be vaccinated, provided they possess a medical certificate, and after their request has been examined by the Cyprus Medical Association and the Ministry of Health and has been approved. The approval must be presented to the testing unit.
- Pregnant women who are unable for medical reasons to be vaccinated, provided they possess a relevant approval from the ad hoc committee of the Cyprus Medical Association and the Ministry of Health, issued after their request has been examined along with all necessary medical certificates from their Gynaecologist.
- Persons who have been vaccinated with the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of the vaccine, for the threeweek period that they are obliged to be tested as a precondition for the issuance of a SafePass. For verification purposes the Vaccination Card must be presented.
- Persons who have completed their vaccination scheme but wish to take tests for health monitoring purposes or for other reasons. It is understood that the Vaccination Card must be presented.

• Persons holding a COVID-19 recovery certificate within the last 180 days but wish to take tests for health monitoring purposes or for other reasons. It is understood that the recovery certificate must be presented.

In addition to the above verification certificates, it is reminded that all citizens **must carry proof of identity** (e.g. Identity Card, Driver's Licence, Passport, etc.), for identification purposes.

On **Saturday**, **9 October 2021**, the testing units under the control programme of the Ministry of Health, will be operating, only for the abovementioned groups of citizens, in the following areas:

District	Location of testing units	Operating hours
Lemesos	Univercity Square (Behind Cyprus Univercity of Technology Rectorate)	9 a.m6 p.m.
(11 units)	Cultural Events Hall, Pano Polemidia	9 a.m6 p.m.
	My Mall Limassol	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Atlantica Oasis Hotel, Germasogeia (hotel lobby)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Multifunctional Centre, Pyrgos, Lemesos	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Pano Platres Cultural Centre	9 a.m12 n.
	Trimiklini Community Council	1 p.m6 p.m.
	Conference Centre of Kolossi (close to Apostolos Loukas Church)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Trachoni Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Sports Centre "Glafkos Clerides", Agros	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Former Cooperative Bank of Pachna Hall	9 a.m6 p.m.
Larnaka	Larnaka Municipal Amphitheatre (Municipal Gardens)	9 a.m6 p.m.
(10 units)	"Agios Georgios Kontos" parking area, Larnaka	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Metropolis Mall (Entrance 1)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Livadia Square (next to the Bank of Cyprus)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Area near the Municipal Health Clinic of Aradippou	9 a.m6 p.m.

	Amphitheatre of Dromolaxia and Meneou Municipality	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Xylotympou Old Market	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Mosfiloti Community Clinic	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Xylofagou Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Zygi Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
Lefkosia	Agios Dometios Municipality (Events Hall)	9 a.m6 p.m.
(19 units)	European University Cyprus, Egkomi (graduation platform, next to the cafeteria)	9 a.m3.30 p.m.
	Aglantzia Healthcare Centre (entrance opposite from Lefkonico Municipality)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Panagia Evangelistria Church, Palouriotissa	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Mall of Cyprus (underground parking area)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Agios Georgios Church, Latsia	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Tis tou Theou Sofias Church, Strovolos	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Lakatamia Municipal Gallery (behind the amphitheatre of Lakatamia)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Paliometocho Community Clinic	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Nicosia Mall	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Dali Community Clinic	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Astromeritis Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	"Triptolemos" Club, Evrychou	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Metamorfoseos tou Sotiros Church, Pera Chorio Nisou	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Agia Varvara Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Klirou Community Council	9 a.m1 p.m.
	Arediou Community Council	2 p.m6 p.m.
	Agios Kyriakos Anahoritis Church, Kampos	12 n2 p.m.
	Pyrgos Tillirias Community Council	2 p.m6 p.m.
Pafos	Kings Avenue Mall, Pafos (main entrance)	9 a.m6 p.m.
(5 units)	Town Hall Square (next to "Efseveia" Club)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Geroskipou Sculpture Park	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Agia Varvara Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	"Vrisi ton Pegiotisson" Square, Pegeia	9 a.m6 p.m.
Ammochostos	Paralimni Municipal building (covered parking area)	9 a.m6 p.m.

(7 units)	Fornmer SPE Paralimniou (opposite Agia Varvara Church, Paralimni)	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Agia Napa Church, Agia Napa	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Onisilos Club, Sotira	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Frenaros Community Council	9 a.m6 p.m.
	Agios Georgios Housing Central Square, Vrysoulles-Aheritou	9 a.m1 p.m.
	Achna Forest Central Square	2 p.m6 p.m.

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