

## PRESS RELEASE

### Rapid antigen testing units – 17 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 three-week 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 **Sunday, 17 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:

<b>District</b>	<b>Location of testing units</b>	<b>Operating hours</b>
<b>Lemesos (9 units)</b>	University Square, Lemesos (behind TEPAK Rectorate)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Pano Polemidia Cultural Events Hall	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	My Mall Limassol	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Hotel Atlantica Oasis, Germasogeia (hotel lobby)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Episkopi Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Pelendri Community Council	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Kyperouna Community Council	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Conference Centre of Kolossi (close to Apostolos)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

	Loukas Church)	p.m.
	Pissouri Central Square	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
<b>Larnaka (11 units)</b>	Larnaka Municipal Theatre (Municipal Gardens)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Makariou Housing Community Council, Kamares area, Larnaka (5 Agios Vasileios Street)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	“Agios Georgios Kontos” parking area, Larnaka	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Metropolis Mall (entrance 1)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Livadia Square (next to the Bank of Cyprus)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Area near the Municipal Health Clinic of Aradippou	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Kiti Old Nursery	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Ormideia Community Council (underground area)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Kornos Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Athienou Municipal Building	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

	Agglisides Community Council	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
<b>Lefkosia (18 units)</b>	Agios Dometios Municipality (events hall)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	European University Cyprus (graduation platform, next to the cafeteria)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Aglantzia Health Centre (entrance opposite Lefkoniko Municipality)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Panagia Evangelistria Church, Palouriotissa	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Mall of Cyprus (underground parking area)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Agios Georgios Church, Latsia	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Tis tou Theou Sofias Church, Strovolos	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Lakatamia Municipal Gallery (behind the Amphitheatre of Lakatamia)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Psimolofou Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Paliometochos Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Nicosia Mall	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

	Dali Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Peristerona Community Council	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Agion Constantinou and Elenis Church, Tseri	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Kakopetria Community Council	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Lythrodontas Community Clinic	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Metropolis of Tamasos and Oreinis, Episkopeio	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Palaichori Central Square	10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.
<b>Pafos (4 units)</b>	Kings Avenue Mall, Pafos (main entrance)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Town Hall Square (next to “Efseveia” Club)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Polis Chrysochous Municipality Cultural Centre	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Chloraka Church	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
<b>Ammochostos (5 unit)</b>	Paralimni Town Hall (covered parking area)	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

	Agia Napa Church, Agia Napa	10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Deryneia Adults Centre	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Avgorou Senior Citizens' club	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
	Ethnikofrona Somateia of Liopetri	9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

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