

## COVID SEMAPHORE

### of the University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice

The aim of COVID SEMAPHORE of the University of Veterinary Medicine and pharmacy in Košice (hereinafter referred to as “UVMP” or “university”) is monitoring the development of the epidemic and taking anti-epidemic measures depending on the intensity of the spread of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19 disease) in its environment and in its workplaces.

The system of UVMP COVID SEMAPHORE enables the implementation of measures that are: simple, understandable, predictable, targeted, enforceable, safe and in accordance with legislation.



**Green phase** represents a situation where at the university:

1. No person is positive for COVID-19
2. One or more persons are quarantined because they have come into contact with a COVID-19 positive person outside the university

*At that time, teaching takes place without restrictions, under strict anti-epidemic measures.*



**Orange phase** represents a situation where there is at least one confirmed positive case of COVID-19 at the university (student, employee, external contractor or client). The head of the department or the relevant workplace in which the positive person occurred will interrupt the teaching process in the study group or year according to the number of the positive person's contacts.

*During quarantine, the head of the workplace will ensure distance form of teaching for the group.*



**Red phase** occurs if several confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 occur, if it is an **epidemic occurrence according to the decision of the relevant Regional Public Health Authority of the SR.**

*Regional Public Health Authority in Košice may interrupt teaching process in several or all study groups / years due to the epidemic spread of the disease.*

*In study groups / years with interrupted attendance in person form of teaching, the Rector will issue an instruction to ensure the distance form of teaching.*

**Green phase** represents a situation where at the university:

- a) There is no person suspected of having COVID-19 (i.e. no person at the university has been in close contact with a person positive for COVID-19),
- b) One or more suspects of COVID-19 are present (i.e. one or more persons are quarantined because they have come into contact with a COVID-19 positive person outside the university).

#### **Suspicion of COVID-19 disease**

- A student or university employee who has at least one of the possible symptoms of COVID-19 is **suspected of having the disease** and must leave the university building and **go into home isolation** as soon as possible after their manifestation.
- **No one with symptoms** of respiratory tract infection that may correspond to the symptoms of COVID-19 **shall enter the university premises and workplaces.**
- If a student or employee develops symptoms of COVID-19 during the working day/teaching process, he/she immediately informs the head of the department/Study Office and leaves the university as soon as possible.

#### **If a student is suspected for COVID-19 disease**

- Student with a suspected COVID-19 disease (or who has been in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person outside the university) does not attend university for 14 days after the last contact with a COVID-19 positive person. If a student has been marked as a close contact, only such student is quarantined and not his/her entire study group.
- If a student was in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person outside the university, he/she is obliged to pass the RT-PCR test ordered by the Regional Public Health Authority or the general practitioner and thus minimize the risk of disease transmission to the university.

If a student with suspected COVID-19 disease takes the RT-PCR test and the result is:

- a) **Negative** – the student informs the university (Study Office) about the result and continues in a 14-day quarantine. The teaching of other students continues in the standard way.
- b) **Positive** – the student informs the university (Study Office) about the result and continues in isolation under the supervision of the general practitioner, who decides on its termination. University passes into the **Orange phase** of UVMP COVID SEMAPHORE.

**Orange phase** represents a situation where at least one case of COVID-19 has been confirmed at the university.

- If a person is confirmed for COVID-19, he/she shall immediately notify all persons with whom he/she has been in close contact in the period of two days before the onset of clinical symptoms, in the asymptomatic course of the infection in the period of two days before testing for COVID-19.
- The student is also obliged to report this fact to the Study Office and the employee to the head of the department and/or the Department of Safety and Crisis Management.
- If a COVID-19 disease has been confirmed in a student or university employee, they remain in the home quarantine ordered by the relevant Regional Public Health Authority or the general practitioner.
- Students or employees **suspected of being infected with COVID-19** (who have been in close contact with a person who is positive for COVID-19) will be identified and ordered to be **quarantined** by the relevant Regional Public Health Authority or the general practitioner. Quarantined persons shall report this fact to the Study Office or to the head of the department and the Department of Safety and Crisis Management.

- For early tracing of contacts in the case of positive students/employees, the Study Office or the Department of Safety and Crisis Management in cooperation with the relevant head of the department, will provide to the Regional Public Health Authority lists of the persons who have been in close contact with the confirmed positive student/employee.
- ***Quarantine in the case of a positive test result is ordered for a definite period in accordance with the applicable legislative measures. The person to whom the quarantine applies must follow the instructions of the general practitioner and/or of the relevant Regional Public Health Authority.***
- ***Quarantine after close contact with a positive person does not apply to:***
  - a) A person at least 14 days after administration of the second dose of a COVID-19 vaccine with a double-dose scheme,
  - b) A person at least 21 days after administration of the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine with a single-dose scheme,
  - c) A person at least 14 days after administration of the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, if the first dose was given within 180 days of overcoming COVID-19,
  - d) A person who overcome COVID-19 disease in the period of last 180 days,

**And such person has no clinical signs of the disease.**

If the student/employee meets the quarantine exemption, the student informs the Study Office and the employee the head of the relevant workplace.

If a study group is ordered a quarantine, exempted students continue with the attendance in person form of teaching.

**Red phase** occurs in case of several confirmed positive cases, if it is an **epidemic occurrence** (i.e. the spread of COVID-19 occurs demonstrably among students and teachers at the university) and by order of the locally competent Regional Public Health Authority. The **Red phase** is announced by the Regional Public Health Authority in Košice.

The Rector of UVMP will order the interruption of attendance in person form of teaching in study groups and/or study years in which several positive cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed and will order the distance form of teaching. At the same time, the Rector of UVMP will decide on the adoption of further effective measures to ensure thorough monitoring of the epidemic situation of students and employees for whom COVID-19 has not been confirmed.

***The maximum number of people allowed to attend in person form of teaching depends on the current phase of the epidemic situation (according to the COVID automaton of the Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic)***

<p>Green phase <i>MONITORING</i></p>	<p>Orange phase <i>VIGILANCE</i></p>	<p>Red phase <i>1st DEGREE of THREAT</i></p>	<p>Dark red phase <i>2nd DEGREE of THREAT</i></p>	<p>Black phase <i>3rd DEGREE of THREAT</i></p>
<p>Without restrictions</p>	<p>In person attendance form of teaching with limitation:</p>	<p>In person attendance form of teaching with limitation:</p>	<p>In person attendance form of teaching individually: Final exams</p>	<p>In person attendance form of teaching individually: Final exams</p>
	<p>Up to 100 persons</p>	<p>Up to 20 persons</p>		
	<p>Up to 400 persons in OTP</p>	<p>Up to 40 persons in OTP</p>	<p>In person attendance form of teaching with limitation:</p>	<p>Groups with distance form of teaching</p>
	<p>Up to 1000 persons fully vaccinated</p>	<p>Up to 120 persons fully vaccinated</p>	<p>Up to 20 persons in OTP</p>	<p>Student Dormitories only for students with attendance in person form of teaching and strongly recommended OTP</p>
			<p>Up to 60 persons fully vaccinated</p>	
			<p>Larger groups with distance form of teaching</p>	
			<p>Student Dormitories only for students with attendance in person form of teaching and strongly recommended OTP</p>	

## Quarantine exemption notification

I submit a quarantine exemption notification for the purpose of maintaining attendance in person form of teaching while ensuring a safe environment at the university in accordance with the exemption pursuant to Section 3 par. 2 of the Decree of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic No. 239/2021 Coll., which prescribes measures in the event of a threat to public health concerning the isolation of persons positive for COVID-19 and quarantine of persons who have come into close contact with a person positive for COVID-19.

I complete the quarantine exemption notification as:

University student \*

University employee \*

(Mark the appropriate with an X) \*

Name and surname:	
Personal number of AIS ID:	

\* fill in the data of the affected persons to the table

In accordance with the conditions of the Decree of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic No. 239/2021 Coll., I inform you that I meet the conditions for exemption from quarantine as being:

- A person at least 14 days after administration of the second dose of a COVID-19 vaccine with a double-dose scheme, or
  - A person at least 21 days after administration of the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine with a single-dose scheme, or
  - A person at least 14 days after administration of the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, if the first dose was given within 180 days of overcoming COVID-19, or
  - A person who overcome COVID-19 disease in the period of last 180 days,
- And at the same time I have no clinical symptoms of the disease.

In the case of a student/employee of the university, the university may process personal data from this questionnaire on the basis of Art. 6 par. 1 letter e) and Art. 9 par. 2 letter c), g), i) of the GDPR Directive to the extent specified here, in order to ensure the protection of the health of students and staff, including a safe and hygienic environment.

On (date) ..... in .....

Signature  
(student/employee)