

Covid-19 policy

Opening Hearing, People's Tribunal on the Murder of Journalists

As of 25 September, it is no longer mandatory in the Netherlands to keep 1.5 metres distance from others.

Nevertheless, certain rules will still apply for the Opening Hearing of the People's Tribunal which will take place in The Nieuwe Kerk, The Hague on November 2nd 2021, including:

- 1.5m distance between seats.
- Face masks are optional but not mandatory.
- Registered guests will be sent a COVID-19 update 3 weeks before the event takes place.

Entrance will only be allowed if you can fulfil 1 out of 3 criteria:

1.) Vaccination certificate

If you have been fully vaccinated with a European approved vaccine. In the Netherlands, a vaccination is valid from 14 days after you have been fully vaccinated.

EU citizens who have been fully vaccinated can obtain an EU Digital COVID Certificate (DCC) and use it to enter the Netherlands. If you do not have a DCC and/or are resident of a country outside the EU and the Schengen area, you can enter the venue using paper proof of vaccination.

If you are travelling from an area that has been designated as very high-risk, proof of vaccination is not enough. In this case, you must also show a negative PCR test result that was taken 24 hours prior to the event.

2.) Recovery certificate

If you have a certificate signed by a doctor to show that you have recently recovered from COVID-19 less than six months ago, or proof of a positive corona test of at least 11 days and a maximum of 180 days ago.

3.) Test Evidence

If you can show a negative PCR test result 24 hours prior to the event. Alternatively, if you can show proof of a positive corona test of at least 11 days and a maximum of 180 days ago, you will also be allowed to enter.

Travel

The rules on self-quarantining for people travelling to the Netherlands changed as of 22 September. Vaccinated travellers from very high risk areas such as the United States or the United Kingdom no longer have to self-quarantine on arrival in the Netherlands. Before you leave, you can check the travel advice in English on reizentijdenscorona.rijksoverheid.nl/en,

In November the government will reassess the measures remaining in place for now.

Coronavirus entry pass

Since 25th September, the coronavirus entry pass system has been applied to bars and restaurants (but not takeaways), events (such as festivals, concerts and professional sports matches), and cultural venues (such as cinemas and theatres). Whether people have a fixed seat or not, and whether the location is indoors or outdoors, everyone aged 13 and over is required to show a valid coronavirus entry pass to gain admission. Everyone aged 14 and over also has to show their ID along with their coronavirus entry pass.

Basic rules still apply

Many measures have been lifted, but the virus has not gone away. Staying 1.5 metres from others is no longer mandatory, but is now *an urgent piece of advice*. As long as the virus is circulating, giving each other space is common sense, and 1.5 metres is a safe distance that's proven to help prevent transmission of the virus. Just like the other basic rules: washing hands, coughing and sneezing into your elbow, not shaking hands, staying home and getting tested by the GGD if you have symptoms, and ensuring a good flow of fresh air indoors.

Face masks mandatory on public transport and at airports

Face masks are still mandatory in airports (in any case the airside area and any other locations designated by airport management, such as arrival and departure halls), on aircraft, trains, buses, trams and metros, in taxis and on other commercial passenger transport. Face masks no longer need to be worn in train stations and at bus, tram and metro stops.