



Brief information on Covid19 mass testing V3, valid from 20th September 2021

In principle, BFH tests with precise PCR saliva tests, which must be analyzed in a laboratory. The spit sample can be kept for about 2 days. The samples are brought to the laboratory from Monday to Thursday at 10 a.m., Friday at 4 p.m.

Who should test themselves?

All employees and students of the HKB, independent of their state of vaccination. The test is voluntary and free of charge.

Who should not test themselves?

Audience at events/exhibitions, family members, roommates etc.

Where can the tests be obtained/submitted?

At the receptions Fellerstrasse 11, Ostermundigenstrasse 103, Eigerplatz 5, Zikadenweg 35, Holzikofenweg 8 (Cafeteria), Biel Seedorstadt 99, Biel Jakob-Rosius Str. 16 and at Papiermühlestrasse 13a (1st floor at the copier).

When can tests be submitted for analysis?

The tests can be obtained any time. With advantage they are done shortly before the samples are brought to the laboratory.

How often should a test be carried out?

For vaccinated/recovered people: Once a week, on the first day of work/study on site.

For non-vaccinated people: at least once a week and in order that a valid certificate is available where necessary.

Will the tests end protective measures (distance, mask requirement, etc.)?

No. Special conditions apply to the theatre department. However, if all participants agree to show a valid certificate, masks can be waived in classrooms.

How and when is informed about the test result?

By e-mail and text message. Usually, a result is provided in the evening of the same day, latest 24h after the sample has reached the laboratory.

Can I go in a restaurant with a negative PCR test or attend events for tested only?

Yes. If the checkbox "Certificate" is ticked during the registration process, a certificate will be provided. However, for travelling a specific test with extra charge may be required.

What happens. if the test is positive?

In the event of a positive PCR test, the cantonal medical office will order quarantine or isolation. It is valid 72 hours after the scanning of the QR-Code.

Quick guide on PCR-saliva-test:

- 30 minutes before the test do not eat, drink, smoke, brush teeth, chew gum.
- Scan the QR-code on the test tube and fill in the electronic form.
Enterprise Code: 5Q4F
Attention: You need your 20-digit card number from your health insurance card during registration.
- Gargle water from the transparent vial for 15 seconds and spew in the test tube.
- Unscrew the funnel and firmly close the test tube with the lid.
- Put the sample in the black sample box.
- Throw waste into the blue trash can with a yellow lid.

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Thanks for your support!

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