# **HOW TO USE THE COVID-19 SELF-TEST?**

Please note: all tests are slightly different. Always check the instructions of your test for the correct steps.

## WHAT TO DO BEFORE THE SELF-TEST?



**Never** store the self-test **in the fridge or freezer**. Store the test in a dark place at room temperature.



Watch the instruction video: www.info-coronavirus.be/ zelftest



Blow vour nose to clear it.



## WHAT TO DO DURING THE SELF-TEST?



- Take the test strip out of the packaging. Place it onto a clean surface.
- Please note that, once opened, you have 30 minutes to do the test.



- Place the soft tip of the swab in the liquid of the extraction tube.
- Rotate the swab in the liquid for 15 seconds.



- Turn the extraction tube over and squeeze drops of the liquid onto the test strip.
- Read the instructions of your test to find out how many drops.

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- Prepare the extraction tube with the liquid.
- Please read the instructions of your test for this (and look at figure 4 in the instruction guide).



- Leave the swab in the liquid for 1 to 2 minutes.
- Pinch the bottom of the extraction tube against the swab.



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- Wait **15 to 30 minutes** to read your **result**.
- Read the instructions of your test to find out the exact waiting time.



 Carefully open the swab packaging.



- Put the soft fabric tip of the swab 2 to 4 cm into your nose. This might feel uncomfortable.
- Do this in **both nostrils**.



• Take the swab out of the extraction tube and throw the swab in the bin.



Press the cap tightly onto the extraction tube.

## When not to use the COVID-19 self-test?

You have **coronavirus symptoms**. Always contact your family doctor.

You had coronavirus less than three months ago according to a PCR COVID-19 test. Scan this QR code for translations in Nederlands, Deutsch, Français, Polski, Español, Türkçe, русский, Lürkçe, русский, らこつ, こ.





# **HOW TO READ YOUR RESULTS?**



#### You probably have coronavirus (positive result)

You will see a line next to the letter 'C' and a line next to the letter 'T'.

F C	Control (c)
T	Test (T)

#### You probably do not have coronavirus (negative result)

You will only see **a line next to the letter 'C'** and nothing next to the letter 'T'.



#### In all other situations, your test did not run correctly and is void.

If there are **no lines or only a line next to 'T'**, your test did not run correctly and is void. Buy a new self-test and do a second test.

### If your test result is positive, you probably have coronavirus.

- Immediately contact your **family doctor** for a **PCR COVID-19 test**.
- Or ask for an activation code for a PCR test via the contact centre on O2 214 19 19.
- You must immediately **self-isolate**.
- If the PCR COVID-19 test is positive, you must self-isolate for a minimum of 10 day.
  - Contact tracing will be initiated.

### If your test result is negative, you probably do not have coronavirus.

• You do **not** need to **self-isolate**.

#### Please note that a self-test is not a 100% reliable. If you develop symptoms, always contact your doctor.

- Always strictly follow the coronavirus rules.
  - Keep a minimum distance of 1.5 metres
  - Wash your hands with soap frequently
  - Respect the number of cuddle contacts
  - Wear a face mask if the distance of 1.5 metres cannot be respected
  - As far as possible, meet up outside

## WHAT IS SELF-ISOLATION?

- You must self-isolate for **10 days**. Start counting from the day of the self-test.
- You are not allowed **any contact** with people in your home.
- **Do not share rooms** with other people (bathroom, toilet, ...). If this is not possible, disinfect the room thoroughly every time.
- After a period of 10 days, you can stop self-isolating.
- If, during the self-isolation period, you develop symptoms (such as a fever, shortness of breath, loss of smell and taste), contact your family doctor.
- If you are still displaying symptoms after 10 days, contact your family doctor again.