

Guidelines for tested, vaccinated and recovered individuals ("3G" policy)

General rules to follow while at Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences¹

1. Maintain a distance of at least 1.5 m to others.
2. Wear a medical-grade mask during all permitted on-campus meetings and events. This applies in addition to the social distancing requirement above. Note: Masks are not required if a campus location is at incidence tier 0, sufficient ventilation can be ensured for the event in question, and all participants have been tested recently, vaccinated or are considered recovered from SARS-CoV-2 in line with Germany's "3G" pandemic policy (*getestet, geimpft, genesen*). However, wearing medical-grade masks is still highly recommended to minimise any chance of spread.
3. Continue to follow the precautions outlined in the "Code of Conduct for the Pandemic" (*Verhaltensregeln Pandemie*) posted on campus.
4. In addition to minimum social distancing, heightened hygienic precautions, masks and sufficient ventilation, all campus visitors are strongly encouraged to use the official Corona Warn App. This app can help prevent the undetected spread of the coronavirus by quickly identifying people who have been in close contact with a confirmed case without knowing. The app also allows users to display their current vaccination status and recent test results.

Conducting in-person teaching and examinations

Lectures and examinations in enclosed spaces require a recent negative test result. This applies to both students and teachers, but is not required for individuals considered immune in accordance with "3G policy" (refer to Section 3 (3) sentence 6, Coronavirus Protection Ordinance NRW (*CoronaSchVO*)). Proof of immunity can be verified by app (CovPass, Corona Warn App etc.) Testing is still strongly recommended by doctors and virologists for all persons regardless of immunity status, however.

An official form of government ID (e.g. German ID card or passport) must be carried in addition to proof of immunity. Here is a detailed summary of accepted statuses:

¹ Please also refer to the Hygiene Framework of Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences, valid from 1 October 2020 and last amended on 24 June 2021

- a. **Tested individuals** must have a negative rapid antigen test from an official test centre. Printed and digital test results are accepted. Test results must be no older than 48 hours (Section 7 CoronaSchVO NRW).
- b. **Recovered individuals** must have a positive PCR test result that is at least 28 days old, but no older than six months. “Recovered” status expires after six months, meaning a negative antigen test or vaccination is then required.

Recovered vaccinated individuals are considered fully vaccinated after their first vaccine dose. They must have a positive PCR test from at least 28 days ago, but in this case tests may be older than six months. In addition, they must also have proof – a vaccination card, for example – that they received at least one dose of an approved SARS-CoV-2 vaccine two or more weeks ago.

- c. **Vaccinated individuals** must be fully vaccinated against SARS-CoV-2 and have received their final vaccine dose at least 14 days prior. Proof of vaccination can be printed or digital, in the languages German, English, French, Italian or Spanish, and saved in an official app (CoVPass, Corona Warn App etc.)

Individuals receiving a two-dose vaccine (e.g. Biontech/Pfizer, Moderna, Astrazeneca) must have had their second dose to be considered fully vaccinated. Only vaccines explicitly named by the Paul Ehrlich Institute are accepted: www.pei.de/impfstoffe/covid-19