

What is the rationale for the application of specific epidemiological control protocols in areas where seasonal work is taking place?

- Seasonal work entails more than 2,000 people travelling to the Basque Country every year. To ensure the epidemiological control of persons in transit to certain areas, specific pandemic control protocols have been established.
- Given that workers often share accommodation with other workers during this type of job, it is important to ensure the best possible sanitary conditions to prevent the spread of the virus in the event of a confirmed case.

What procedure will apply to me before I start work?

- Before starting work, a PCR test will be offered to screen all seasonal workers who have travelled for the work season.
- The result of this test will determine whether the person has an active COVID19 infection at that time, and will allow immediate measures to be put in place to break the chain of transmission of the disease.
- People who can prove that they have had the disease within the last 90 days will be exempted from this test. (A laboratory report with a validated result will be required)

What happens if the diagnostic test result is positive?

- You will receive an SMS with the result on your mobile phone (if you have previously provided your number).
- An Epidemiological Surveillance team will contact you by telephone to assess your case and determine who your close contacts may have been (cohabitants, work colleagues, social contacts, etc.). These professionals will also assess whether your current accommodation meets the necessary safety conditions to carry out the isolation period or whether you will have to be transferred to a hotel.
- You must remain in isolation for at least 10 days from the onset of symptoms or from the time you were tested if you are asymptomatic. This period could be extended if symptoms persist. A Primary Care team will call you regularly to assess your clinical progress and determine when to discharge you.



Who is considered to be a close contact?

Any person who has been less than **2 metres** from a **confirmed COVID19 case for more than 15 minutes** without the **continuous and proper use of a mask**.



What if I am a close contact?

- If you are a close contact, **you will receive a call from the Epidemiological Surveillance team** to assess your case and evaluate whether your current accommodation meets the necessary safety conditions for quarantine or whether you should be transferred to a hotel.
- If you have no suspected COVID19 symptoms and your PCR is negative, **but you have been in close contact with a confirmed case recently, you will be quarantined for at least 10 days**. A negative result in a diagnostic test means that no traces of virus could be detected in the sample, but that does not mean that you might not be incubating the disease. Therefore, it is important that you remain in quarantine for 10 days after exposure. At the end of this period, you will take another PCR test and, if it is negative again and you still have no suspicious symptoms, you will be notified of the end of the quarantine.

What happens if the diagnostic test result is negative?

- You will receive an SMS with the result on your mobile phone (if you have previously provided your number).
- If you have no suspected COVID19 symptoms and you have not been in close contact with a confirmed case in the last few days, you may return to work immediately.

What happens once the isolation/quarantine has been completed?

Once you have been discharged, you will be transferred back to your place of residence and you will be able to return to work immediately.

Will I receive financial compensation for the days I spend in quarantine/isolation?

If you have signed an employment contract and are a confirmed case or close contact, you will be entitled to temporary sick leave, so that you can receive financial compensation for the days you have been isolated or quarantined.

Where will I be offered accommodation if I am a confirmed case or a close contact?

If a decision is made that it is impossible to comply with the isolation and/or quarantine conditions in your current temporary residence, your transfer to a special hotel will be arranged.



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You may be considered for referral to these hotels if you are considered a **close contact or confirmed case to ensure a safe quarantine and provided that the severity of your clinical condition does not require admission to hospital.**

- ✓ These services are completely free of charge for transferees and offer both accommodation and food services. The transfer to these hotels, if you do not have your own vehicle, can be arranged by ambulance or bus, at no cost to you.
- ✓ A team of nurses in coordination with Primary Care facilities will call regularly to assess the clinical condition and needs of the people transferred to the hotel.
- ✓ From the COVID19 Case and Contact Monitoring Network, we can activate an interpreter service to help us communicate and overcome the language barrier. We can also provide professionals specialised in detecting your needs, providing support, and **activating and arranging social resources in coordination with the region's various social agents.**
- ✓ Remember to pack a small suitcase with your personal belongings, warm clothes, medication, mobile phone charger, books, entertainment material.... **it is important that you pack everything you will need during the days of your isolation/quarantine.**

What general recommendations should I implement to reduce the risk of transmitting the disease?

CORONAVIRUS

EVITA LA TRANSMISIÓN
REDUCE LOS CONTACTOS

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1 UTILIZA MASCARILLA.
RECUERDA QUE SU USO ES OBLIGATORIO
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2 LÁVATE LAS MANOS
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3 MANTÉN LA DISTANCIA DE SEGURIDAD (MÍNIMO 1,5 M)
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4 EVITA LAS AGLOMERACIONES DE PERSONAS.
SUPONEN UN IMPORTANTE FOCO DE TRANSMISIÓN DEL VIRUS
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5 EVITA TOCAR SUPERFICIES COMUNES.
SI LO HACES, LÁVATE LAS MANOS
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6 CUANDO LLEGUES A CASA, LIMPIA LO QUE PUEDA ESTAR CONTAMINADO

SI TIENES ESTOS SÍNTOMAS



TOS



DOLOR DE GARGANTA



PIEBRE +37°



SENSACIÓN DE FALTA DE AIRE



PÉRDIDA DE OLFATO

AISLAMIENTO



PERMANECE EN CASA.
PODRÍAS ESTAR CONTAGIADO



CONTACTA CON TU CENTRO DE SALUD

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Where can I find more information?

For further information, please consult the official health department information channels:
<https://www.euskadi.eus/material-informativo-coronavirus/web01-a2korona/es/>