New coronavirus:
The Federal Council makes rules and prohibitions

The Federal Council wants to protect all people in Switzerland. That is why the Federal Council has declared: Switzerland is now in an extraordinary situation. This means: There are new and stricter rules.

**These rules apply for all people in Switzerland!**

**Why is the Federal Council doing this?**

- The new disease is spreading very quickly. A lot of people are getting sick.
- It wants to protect people at risk.
- It wants there to be enough hospital beds for all seriously ill people.
- It wants there to be enough medicine for everybody.

**This means it is very important that:**

- All people in Switzerland stick to the rules!
- All people help to prevent people at risk from getting sick.
Stay at home!

Stay at home now.
Do not leave your home anymore.
You should only leave your home:
• If you need to buy food.
• If you need to go to the doctor.
• If you need to go to the chemist.
• If you need to help someone.
• If you cannot work from home and have to go to work.

Never more than 5 people!

A new ban:
Never be with more than 5 people.
This applies in public places.
For example:
• In a square
• On paths
• In a park

All people must keep their distance from other people.
More than 2 metres is best.
This also applies if there are only 2 people.
Everyone must follow this rule.
Otherwise you have to pay a fine.
Entering Switzerland

People from these countries are no longer permitted to enter Switzerland:

- Italy
- Germany
- France
- Austria

These are currently the countries.

It is possible that more countries will be added to the list.

Why are these people not permitted to enter Switzerland?

- To ensure that the disease doesn't spread even more.
- To ensure that there are enough hospital beds for all seriously ill people in Switzerland.
- To ensure that there is enough medicine for everybody.

But there are some exceptions.

For example: If someone works in Switzerland. Or lives in Switzerland. Then they can still enter Switzerland.
Rules for all people and for all organisations

Schools
All schools are closed.
Children may no longer go to school.
It is forbidden.
All children must stay at home.
There is one exception:
Parents who must work and cannot stay with their children.
In this case, the school must look after the children.
This rule applies until 19 April 2020.

Events, activities and businesses
All public and private events are forbidden.
All sports events and club activities too.
For example:
- Football matches
- Dancing courses
- Boy scouts and girl guides
- Birthday parties
A lot of businesses and facilities are closed.
For example:
- Department stores
- Restaurants
- Swimming baths
- Theatres and cinemas
- Museums and zoos
- Hairdressers
- Massage studios
What is very important: All shops remain open that are important for daily life.

These shops, businesses and establishments remain open:

- Shops where you buy food
  For example: Coop, Migros, Denner, kiosks

- Takeaways
  For example: Pizza-delivery services, Brezel-König, work canteens, meal-delivery services

- Pharmacies and drugstores

- Shops where you buy medical aids
  For example: Glasses, hearing aids

- All care facilities
  For example: Retirement homes, homes for the handicapped

- Post offices

- Banks

- Petrol stations

- Railway stations

- Hospitals and doctors' surgeries

- Hotels

- Authorities

All these shops, businesses and establishments must stick to all the new rules.

What is very important: All people must keep their distance from other people.

At least 2 metres is best.

That is why it is important that not too many people are in a shop at the same time.

This rule applies until 19 April 2020.
People especially at risk

Are you over 65?

People with the following conditions are also at risk:

- High blood pressure
- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular problems
- Respiratory problems
- For example: Asthma
- Diseases and therapies that weaken your immune system
- Cancer

If so, it is now very important:

- To stay at home and not go out!
- To no longer meet up with other people.

Employers must protect people at risk.

People especially at risk must work from home.

If you cannot work from home:

You must stay at home anyway.
You may now no longer go to work.
Your employer must allow you to do this.
And your employer will continue to pay your salary.

Are you especially at risk?

Then tell your employer.
Perhaps you will need a sick note from your doctor.
Looking after sick people

Seriously ill people must go into hospital.
There are public hospitals and private hospitals.
Seriously ill people are being treated in a public hospital.
It is possible that private hospitals will also have to treat seriously ill people.
The canton will decide.
Doctors in hospitals and doctors' surgeries
may only treat people if it is really urgent. Otherwise not at all.
This also applies for dentists.

Employers must protect people at risk

People at especially high risk must work from home.
Employers must ensure that this is possible.
Some work cannot be done from home.
This means that people who are at especially high risk must go to work.
For example:
- To work in the Coop, Migros, Denner
- To work on a construction site
- To work in a cleaning company
- To work in a bank
Then it is important that:
Employers follow all the rules.
This means:
- Everyone in the company must keep their distance from each other.
- Everyone in the company must be able to wash their hands.
- More than 5 people must never be together.
The employer must ensure that this is possible.
Are these rules not followed in your company?
Then stay at home anyway!
You may no longer go to work anymore.
Your employer must allow this.
And your employer will continue to pay your salary.
Are you at especially high risk?
Then tell your employer.
Perhaps you will need a sick note from your doctor.

Fines
All people must adhere to the bans.
Anyone who doesn't will get a fine.
This can be a monetary fine or prison.