

Calhoun County Public Health Department guidelines for <u>General Population</u> COVID-19 Quarantine & Isolation Guidance

What to do if you test positive for COVID-19:

Start isolating yourself right away:

- Stay home except to get medical care.
- Stay away from everyone else in your household (stay in a separate room, use separate bathroom if possible, etc.)
- Tell your employer you have COVID-19.
- Think of the people you were around 48 hours before you developed symptoms or tested positive (whichever came first): Tell them you tested positive so they can follow quarantine guidance.

CDC guidelines for the <u>general population</u>, regardless of vaccination status: On Day 5, do you have no symptoms or are your symptoms resolving?

- If yes, you can return to normal activities on Day 6. <u>Mandatory continued use of a well-fitting mask through day 10 (including household members).</u>
- If no, you should continue isolating until symptoms resolve or 10 days have gone by since you tested positive or first developed symptoms. If you have a fever, continue to isolate until your fever goes away. If your symptoms are not resolving or are worsening, seek medical care.



Check here for MDHHS's examples of a well-fitting mask

If you're exposed to someone with COVID-19

If you are not up to date on COVID-19 vaccines

Then you should...

- Stay home (quarantine) for 5 days. Then continue to wear a well-fitting mask through day 10.
- Get tested (PCR or rapid antigen) on Day 6, if possible.
- If positive, follow isolation guidance.
- If you develop symptoms, avoid others and get tested (PCR or rapid antigen). If symptoms worsen or change, follow up with your medical provider and consider getting another
 COVID-19 test.

If you have received a positive COVID-19 test result in the last 90 days.

Then you should...

- Wear a well-fitting mask around others for 10 days.
- Get tested (PCR or rapid antigen) on Day 6, if possible.
- If positive, follow isolation guidance.
- If you develop symptoms, avoid others and get tested (PCR or rapid antigen). If symptoms worsen or change, follow up with your medical provider and consider getting another COVID-19 test.

Additional recommendations from the Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD)

Take a rapid antigen test on day 6 of isolation.

- If negative, end isolation on day 6 and wear a mask around others through day 10.
- If positive, continue to isolate through day 10 or until you get a negative rapid antigen test result, if you wish to continue testing.

If you are often around vulnerable populations (e.g., immunocompromised or elderly people):

- Consider continuing isolation for longer (a full 10 days).
- If you decide to stop isolation before 10 days, take a rapid antigen test. If positive, consider
- isolating for the full 10 days or until you test negative if you choose to test again.





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Note: The updated guidance is specific to the general public and does not change the current guidance recommendations for congregate settings, early childcare, or K-12 settings - these settings should continue to use existing guidelines and policies regarding quarantine and isolation.

ISOLATION: IF YOU TEST POSITIVE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
You get a positive test result or start having COVID symptoms. Start isolation.					If you have no symptoms or if symptoms are resolving, this could be last day of isolation	If you have no symptoms or if symptoms are resolving, done with isolation*
Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	+ Day 6
					*Continue to wear a well-fitting mask when around others until Day 11	
Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 1 0	Day 11	+ CCPHD recommendation: take a rapid antigen test this day to determine next steps	

CCPHD recommendation: If you're often around vulnerable populations (e.g., immunocompromised or elderly people), consider continuing isolation for a full 10 days. If doing this, Day 11 would be when you are done with isolation.

If you are a healthcare worker, see the CDC "Managing Healthcare Personnel" guidelines for details regarding healthcare workers.

QUARANTINE: IF YOU'RE EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WITH COVID-19

If you are not up to date on COVID-19 vaccines. Then you should:

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
You're exposed. Should stay home (quarantine)						You can end quarantine. Keep wearing a well-fitting mask around others.
Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
				You may stop wearing a well-fitting mask around others.	Get tested on this day if possible.	
Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11		

- If positive, follow isolation guidance.
- If you develop symptoms, avoid others and get tested (PCR or rapid antigen). If symptoms worsen or change, follow up with your medical provider and consider getting another COVID-19 test.

IF YOU'RE EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WITH COVID-19

If you have received a positive COVID-19 test result in the last 90 days. Then you should:

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
You're exposed. Start wearing well-fitting mask around others.						Get tested on this day if possible.
Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
				You may stop wearing a well-fitting mask around others.		
Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11		

If you develop symptoms, avoid others and get tested (PCR or rapid antigen). If symptoms worsen or change, follow up with your medical provider and consider getting another COVID-19 test.