

**BULLETIN** 26/3/2021 at 13.00

# Restrictions concerning the stage of transmission of coronavirus shall continue in Pyhäjoki until 25/04/2021

On 25/03/2021, the Regional State Administration Agency has issued a decision under Section 58 of the Infectious Diseases Act for the region of Northern Ostrobothnia for the period of 01/04/2021 - 25/04/2021 (see decision in Finnish).

The regional coordination group has outlined in its meeting on 23/03/2021 the recommendations until 25/04/2021. (see recommendations and restrictions)

During its meeting on 26/03/2021, the Crisis Management Team of the Municipality of Pyhäjoki has decided on the restrictions in Pyhäjoki until 25/04/2021.

### Coronavirus measures in the Municipality of Pyhäjoki until 25/04/2021

#### Use of municipal premises

- The library is subject to restricted use, no more than five customers at once.
- Youth premises and club activities:
  - o up to 10 people can participate in activities at once
  - thorough disinfection of equipment between uses
  - o avoid close contact with participants and convoys
- Gym:
  - bookings can be made for personal/family use
  - bookings are made via the Julius booking system <u>https://www.pyhajoki.fi/varauskalenteri-julius</u>
  - o each equipment user is obligated to clean the equipment
  - o disinfection wipes and sprays available at the gym
  - o bookings can be made no earlier than 7 days in advance
  - one booking is for one hour
  - arrive on-site wearing training gear and leave the premises without changing

#### The following premises have been closed entirely to the public:

- Town hall
- Monela

#### Upper secondary education

- Pyhäjoki Upper Secondary School shall continue with classroom teaching until 25/04/2021
- further information shall be provided to students and guardians via Wilma.



## Group leisure activities

Group leisure activities for adults has been suspended until 25/04/2021. Associations and sports clubs are required to observe the same restrictions.

Group leisure activities for children and young people under 18year-olds can be organised in municipal premises with the following restrictions:

- in case of sports premises, each hobby group must appoint at least one person in charge, who is over 18 years old, and they must have a deputy person in charge.
- in addition to the user regulations concerning the premises, the person in charge must ensure that:
  - participation is subject to being healthy, and the guidelines issued to prevent the spread of coronavirus are observed
  - no more than 10 people participate in the activities at once
  - participants and convoys can avoid close contact
  - convoys do not stay indoors
  - participants arrive on-site wearing their training gear and leave the premises without changing

#### Extended remote work recommendation

It is recommended that all employees work remotely if it is possible in terms of work performance.

#### **Remote meeting practices**

Remote meeting practices shall be continued both at workplaces and in case of leisure time meetings.

#### Mask recommendations

In principle, the mask recommendations apply to over 12-yearolds. In addition to this, a recommendation to use a mask has been issued for grades 6-9 of Saari Lower Secondary School.

A mask must be used:

- in public indoor spaces and at public events
- in public transport and other public modes of transport
- in upper secondary educational institutes
- indoors at workplaces, if wearing a mask is possible.
- individuals travelling to provide a sample for a coronavirus test and before receiving the test results, if it is essential to travel outside the home.
- individuals arriving in Finland from a risk area, when they are travelling from the point of entry into the country to the voluntary quarantine location, or if they have an essential reason to travel outside the home during the voluntary quarantine
- healthcare staff in all patient work if the safety distances are not met.
- the recommendation also applies to patients, relatives,



students and visitors.

• in the premises of private service providers (shops, banks, pharmacies, etc.)

#### **Public events**

The number of participants at indoor and outdoor public events has been restricted to 6 people in accordance with the Regional State Administration Agency's decision.

#### **Private events**

It is recommended that the number of participants in private events is restricted to 6 people. The private events should follow regulations on safe distances, using mask and hygiene practices that prevent COVID-19. Remote participation is recommended.

#### Risk groups

- Visits to elderly people and individuals belonging to risk groups are avoided for ten days after participating in an event which is subject to an increased risk of exposure to coronavirus (for example, public events, hobbies, restaurants).
- In the case of visits, the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare's

" Visitations to long-term treatment and care operating units during the coronavirus epidemic" guidelines are observed <u>(see the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare's</u> <u>guidelines)</u>

- To protect patients and residents, visits to the hospital wards are prohibited. In addition to this, it is highly recommended to avoid visits to the sheltered home Jokikartano and sheltered housing units. Exceptional visits (e.g. palliative care) shall be agreed with the manager and responsible person of the unit.
- Dining at the Jokikartano nursing home is closed to customers other than the residents.

# Getting tested for COVID-19

People with symptoms of respiratory infection, such as cough, sore throat, rhinitis or difficulty in breathing should get tested for COVID-19 with a low threshold.

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Crisis Management Team of the Municipality of Pyhäjoki