Rijksoverheid

Negative COVID-19 test result and declaration required for people arriving from outside the EU/Schengen area

As of 00.00 on 29 December 2020 people travelling to the Netherlands by air or ferry from outside the EU/Schengen area must be able to present a negative test result and declaration for COVID-19. This is one of the measures being taken by the Netherlands to combat the import and spread of coronavirus.

Passengers must show their negative test result and declaration before boarding and to the authorities in the Netherlands. Passengers must carry printed copies of these documents with them for the duration of their journey.

Who needs to show a negative COVID-19 test result and declaration?

Passengers aged 13 and over coming from outside the EU/Schengen area who:
- are travelling to the Netherlands by air or ferry; and
- are exempt from the EU travel ban (see government.nl/travellers-outside-eu).

No negative test result and declaration / invalid negative test result and declaration

If a passenger cannot present a negative test result and declaration before departure, they may not board the aircraft or ferry to travel to the Netherlands. Passengers may be asked to present their negative test result and declaration again on arrival in the Netherlands. If they cannot do so, they can in some cases be refused entry to the Netherlands.

For more information about negative test results and declarations for people travelling to the Netherlands from outside the EU/Schengen area, see **www.government.nl/travellers-outside-eu**.

Requirements

- The test must have been a standard COVID-19 PCR (polymerase chain reaction) test, not a rapid test.
- The test must have been conducted no more than 72 hours prior to arrival of the aircraft in the Netherlands, taking the time difference into account.
- The test result must be negative.
- The test result must be written in Dutch, English, French, German or Spanish.
- The test result must include the following information:
  - the passenger's first and last names as stated in their passport;
  - the date and time the test was conducted; and
  - the details of the institute/laboratory that performed the test

A completed and signed negative test declaration must accompany the negative test result. The negative test declaration form can be found at www.government.nl/travellers-outside-eu.

If a passenger is delayed through no fault of their own, a negative test result up to 96 hours old (instead of 72 hours) may be accepted. The passenger is responsible for proving there was a valid reason for the delay.

Basic measures to stop the spread of coronavirus in the Netherlands

If you have symptoms, stay at home and get tested.

If you have a fever and/or shortness of breath, anyone you live with must stay at home too.

Work from home, unless that is not possible.

Stay 1.5 metres from others.

If it's too busy, leave.

Wash your hands often.

Cough and sneeze into your elbow.

Wear a face mask where it is mandatory to do so.

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