Protection against infection concept | general regulations to protect against new infections

- Adhere to **social distancing** regulations wherever possible

- Access to buildings/participation in events is only for people who are vaccinated, recovered or tested (3G rule); PCR test certificates (48 hrs) or POC test certificates (24 hrs); the university is obliged to check vaccination certificates, certificates of recovery or test certificates presented. Anyone who breaches the 3G rule is committing a finable offence and must expect charges to be filed!

- Ensure regular and adequate ventilation in closed rooms

- No entry for those displaying symptoms which could indicate a COVID-19 illness or for those obliged to stay in quarantine at home

- Mandatory FFP2 masks on university grounds in the buildings and closed rooms. Staff must wear surgical masks at their desks/workstations. Face masks do not have to be worn if it is possible to maintain social distancing at the desk/workstation or if there are other individual protective measures.

**Hygiene measures**

- Hände sorgfältig waschen
- Hände vom Gesicht fernhalten
- In den Ärmel Husten und Niesen
- Regelmäßiges Lüften

(Source: Bundeszentrale für gesundheitliche Aufklärung (BZgA). (29. April 2020); zugr.: Von https://www.infektionsschutz.de/ abgerufen.)
The general regulations serve to implement

- the Bavarian Infection Protection Measures Regulations (BayIfSMV),
- local general rules,
- the Framework Concept for Universities (announcement by the Bavarian State Ministry of Science and the Arts in agreement with the Bavarian State Ministry of Health and Care) as well as
- the SARS-CoV-2 standard of occupational safety by the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs

Unless otherwise provided for, the regulations apply to the entire university operations and all events, regardless of the site, as well as to all members of and visitors to the TH Rosenheim. The special hygiene concepts related to the “Health” Faculty remain unaffected.

Social distancing

All university members and guests are required to maintain a social distance of 1.5 m to each other. Where it is not possible to maintain social distancing (e.g. through organisational working measures), alternative protective measures should be taken, such as transparent dividing walls (e.g. perspex) for contact with the public (e.g. at information desks and lending counters).

Mandatory face masks

Wearing an FFP2 mask is mandatory inside all buildings and closed rooms; staff must wear surgical masks at their desks/workstations. Face masks do not have to be worn at fixed seats, standing places or desks as long as the minimum social distance of 1.5 m to other people is reliably maintained. This particularly applies to lectures and examinations, too.
Domiciliary rights /authority

Teachers are responsible for adherence to protective regulations in lecture rooms/labs; domiciliary rights /authority are therefore transferred to them.

3G rule | scope of validity of the 3G rule

Admission to the university (buildings and other closed rooms) is only possible for people who are vaccinated, recovered or tested (3G rule) within the meaning of Section 2 No. 2, 4, 6 of the SchAusnahmV (protective measures exception regulation).

The 3G rule applies to anyone entering university buildings, especially for:
• coming to work
• participating in teaching events and examinations (lectures, exercises, practical teaching events, etc.)
• spending time in the library

3G rule | checks, responsible areas, consequences of non-adherence

The university is obliged to check adherence to the 3G rule. A security service will be organised by the university for this purpose to conduct random spot checks at building entrances. Participants at events should plan in sufficient extra time for this. All people subject to the 3G rule are obliged to show the security staff their relevant vaccination, recovery or test certificates, or chip card (staff), upon request.

The security service is responsible for checking adherence to the 3G rule, not the teaching staff.

In the case of field trips and events that are off university premises, the appointed teaching staff is responsible for
conducting the checks. Checks at all other events which are not teaching events are the responsibility of the person in charge of the event.

Anyone discovered without the relevant proof of 3G status will not be permitted to enter. Domiciliary rights/authority are therefore transferred to the appointed staff. We would like to point out that entering buildings/rooms without evidence of 3G status is an offence which is usually punishable with a fine.

3G rule | testing requirements

Within the 3G rule, tested individuals must provide a written or electronic negative test result concerning an infection with the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 on the basis of

- a PCR test, PoC-PCR test or a test using other methods of nucleic acid amplification techniques, which was carried out a maximum of 48 hours previously, or

- a PoC antigen test which was carried out by a certified test centre a maximum of 24 hours previously. For staff, the testing concept for employees and teachers also applies [https://www.th-rosenheim.de/die-hochschule/aktuelles/regelungen-in-bezug-auf-corona](https://www.th-rosenheim.de/die-hochschule/aktuelles/regelungen-in-bezug-auf-corona)

Room occupancy

In accordance with the 15th BayIfSMV, there is no obligatory social distancing in event rooms (especially lecture halls, seminar rooms, labs). However, masks must be worn if the minimum social distance of 1.5 m is not adhered to. At the TH Rosenheim, rooms for events organised by the central scheduling department will generally be occupied without social distancing.

For all other rooms/labs, the responsible member of teaching staff decides whether the room

- should be occupied with social distancing of 1.5 m (no mandatory masks) or
- without social distancing (mandatory masks)
Attendance examinations

A minimum social distance of 1.5 m and mandatory FFP2 masks apply for attendance examinations. The formulation of organisational and legal examination conditions will be determined during the semester, depending on the infection rates and legal requirements.

Cleaning concept

Workstations which are used by several people in rapid succession (especially for face-to-face teaching events and exams) and sanitary facilities will be cleaned daily.

Additional recommendations for hygiene measures when conducting lab practicals
- Disinfect hands using sanitary disinfectant before entering the lab
- At the end of the practical, wipe down the materials and equipment used with liquid disinfectant (not with a spray!), e.g. work surface, keyboard, contact points on the microscope, etc., if this is possible with respect to the material characteristics. When wiping down with disinfectant, use ready-made cleaning products and disinfectants (e.g. disinfectant wet wipes from dispensers). When doing so, make sure that the disinfectant is suited to the respective purpose of application
- Disinfect your hands again after wiping down surfaces and before leaving the lab

Sick people and suspected cases

The following people may not enter university premises or participate in events:
- those displaying symptoms which could indicate a COVID-19 infection, such as respiratory symptoms of any degree of severity, unspecific general symptoms and a loss of taste or smell,
- people who are obliged to quarantine (in particular in the event of a positive test result).
Meetings

Work-related gatherings (meetings, professorial appointment presentations, committee meetings, etc.) are to be organised with as much distance between participants as possible. Face masks must be worn if at least 1.5 metres social distance cannot be maintained between individuals.

Special protective measures for staff

The necessary work on site is to be organised in such a way that there is sufficient social distancing or individual protective options. Regular ventilation must be ensured.

Field trips

- 3G rule for all participants
- Participants are themselves responsible for adhering to official hygiene regulations when travelling to and from the location or staying overnight.
- Only visit facilities/companies which can present an appropriate hygiene concept; the head of the field trip must check this.

Business trips

- 3G rule for business travellers
- The minimum social distance must be adhered to when sharing vehicles on business trips. If this is not feasible, the passengers who cannot maintain the social distance must wear a mask without an exhalation valve when in the car.
The library
- Admission is only possible for people who are vaccinated, recovered or tested (3G rule).
- Supplementary information here: https://www.th-rosenheim.de/die-hochschule/einrichtungen/bibliothek/

University canteen
- Admission is only possible for people who are vaccinated, recovered or tested (3G rule).
- Supplementary information here: https://www.studentenwerk-muenchen.de/mensa/

University sports
- Observe the current specifications in the framework concept for sport - joint announcement by the Bavarian State Ministries of the Interior, Sport and Integration and Health and Care.

Music at the university
- Observe the current specifications in the framework concept for rehearsals in amateur music and amateur theatre - joint announcement by the Bavarian State Ministries of Science and the Arts and Health and Care.
Conferences, conventions and similar events

- Observe the current specifications in the framework concept for conferences, conventions and similar events - joint announcement by the Bavarian State Ministries of the Economy, State Development and Energy and Health and Care.

Measures for risk groups
People who are medically certified as belonging to a higher risk group of severe COVID-19 progression according to the definition by the Robert Koch Institute (RKI) should contact the HR department (staff) or the head of the degree programme (students).

The protection against infection concept came into force by resolution of the University Board on 29.09.2021 and was most recently amended on 09.03.2022.