After your COVID-19 test

Requirements following your test

You must follow any advice given to you in a Direction or by Public Health. If you do not, you can be charged and fined.

Requirements following your COVID-19 test will depend on your specific situation.

If your situation requires you to isolate after your test, you must go directly home and stay in isolation for the required period.

While in isolation, you cannot have visitors to your home, go to the shops, or go for a walk outside your premises.

For more information on what you are required to do after a COVID-19 test, including isolation requirements, scan the QR code to visit www.health.wa.gov.au/afteryourtest or call 13 COVID (13 268 43).

Test results

You will receive your result via SMS within 72 hours, but most people receive their result within 24 to 48 hours. We understand that you may be worried while you are waiting for your result and thank you for your patience.

If you do not receive your result after 48 hours and you had your test at a WA Department of Health COVID clinic or a regional hospital, check your My Health Record for your test result, or call the Results Hotline on 1800 313 223, from 8am to 4pm, 7 days per week.

If you were referred for a test by your GP or were tested by a private pathology provider, contact them directly.

COVID-19 tests may not be processed in the order the tests were taken. If you had a test with another person, you may not get your results at the same time.

More information

For more information, see the following:


If you cannot find the information you need, call the coronavirus (COVID-19) information helpline, 13 COVID (13 268 43).

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