



Covid-19 - Changes to Isolation Periods Information (for Schools only - 21.01.22)

The isolation period is still 10 days but can be reduced to **5 full days** (as long as your child is well enough and without a temperature) and receives **2 consecutive negative** LFD results. The earliest they should take the first LFD test is on day 5.

Any **positive test** after a first **negative test** would mean that the first negative is **null and void**. This would **reset** the isolation period and your child would still require 2 consecutive negative tests from this point forward. You must register results with the [NHS Website here](#) and you must e-mail both those results to school. You can order a pack of [LFD tests here](#).

Anyone who tests positive must isolate for a full 5 days.

Scenario 1 A negative test on Day 5 and then Day 6. Isolation ends on Day 6 once the 2nd LFD test is negative.

Day Zero	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Negative LFD	Negative LFD			

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Scenario 2 A negative test on Day 6 and then Day 7. Isolation ends on Day 7 once the 2nd LFD test is negative.

Day Zero	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Positive LFD	Negative LFD	Negative LFD		

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Scenario 3 A negative test on Day 7 and then Day 8. Isolation ends on Day 8 once the 2nd LFD test is negative.

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Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Negative LFD	Negative LFD	

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Scenario 4 A negative test on Day 8 and then Day 9. Isolation ends on Day 9 once the 2nd LFD test is negative.

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Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Negative LFD	Negative LFD

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Scenario 5 A negative test on Day 9 and then Day 10. Isolation ends on Day 10 once the 2nd LFD test is negative.

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Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Negative LFD	Negative LFD

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Scenario 6 Isolation will end at 11:59pm on day 10 so no need to test as child can return on Day 11.

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Day Zero is the day symptoms started <i>or</i> the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.						Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD	Positive LFD

In any scenario, the isolation period can only end if your child no longer has a high temperature. This applies even if they have tested negative twice. If children still have a high temperature after Day 10, they should stay off school and seek medical advice such as contacting your GP or phoning 111.

