

**INSTRUCTION OF THE DIRECTOR OF ÚZ SDaJ (Accommodation and Catering Services)  
FOR ORGANIZATION AND COMPLIANCE WITH EPIDEMIOLOGICAL MEASURES FOR  
ACCOMMODATED STUDENTS  
IN STUDENT DORMITORIES FOR THE 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

In order to prevent the spread of communicable diseases in the accommodation facilities of Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava (hereinafter referred to as SD) and in accordance with the recommendation of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Slovak Republic, I issue the following binding

**INSTRUCTION**

1. This instruction regulates the basic hygienic and epidemiological measures for ensuring the operation of the SD and ensuring hygienic and epidemiological measures for accommodated students.
2. For the purposes of ensuring the operating conditions in the area of the epidemic, their updating and student awareness, the director of ÚZ SDaJ shall establish a permanent monitoring and coordinating body as an advisory body of the STU Crisis Staff, whose task is to monitor and organize the epidemiological situation. On the basis of its development, it introduces the necessary measures.
3. This document is designed as a warning system on three levels: **green orange** and **red**. The warning system for compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for accommodated STU students is used for each SD individually (Annexes No. 1-6).
4. The Operations Director of the relevant SD will ensure sufficient stocks of personal protective equipment and disinfectants.
5. The Operations Director of the relevant SD will ensure that the staff in charge of hygienic and epidemiological measures are informed and instructed on the stricter conditions for cleaning and disinfecting contact surfaces and other surfaces and equipment in the SD.
6. When entering the SD, the Operations Director of the relevant SD will ensure the publication of instructions (individual phases of the warning system) on how to proceed in case of suspected disease and also in case of confirmation of COVID-19 disease, including contact details (phone, e-mail, website).
7. In the event that the accommodated persons **do not comply** with the epidemiological recommendations and guidelines of the SD and the Regional Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic (RPHA SR), the Operations Director has the right to **cancel their accommodation in the SD** without the possibility of appeal.
8. In the case of the student's **subjective symptoms** of COVID-19 disease (i.e. **green phase**), the student has minimized movement in the SD, with the exception of the providing of food and basic necessities.
9. In the case of declaration of **the orange phase**, the student to whom the RPHA or the attending physician **confirmed the suspicion** of COVID-19 disease, has mandatory domestic isolation ordered along with their roommates, i.e. no exit from the room / unit.

10. In the event of declaration of **the red phase**, the possibilities of closing all service operations that are managed by the accommodation facility within the premises of the relevant SD, including catering, will be reconsidered.
11. In the case of declaration of the red phase with several confirmed cases of students accommodated at the relevant SD or its parts, the following shall be considered:
  - a) Interruption of provision of accommodation services in the SD or in selected objects or parts,
  - b) Interruption of accommodation for selected groups of students (e.g. a student who has a permanent residence in the SR), which will be notified to the accommodated students well in advance.
12. Premises where a positive student has been for the **last 48 hours** before entering home isolation will be subject to **increased disinfection**.
13. Operations of services that are managed by the SD provide their services in a stricter regime, i.e. for one customer 15 m<sup>2</sup> of space, keeping a min. distance of 2 m etc.
14. The catering centre and other service operations must be set up in such a way as to ensure hygienic and epidemiological measures in accordance with the regulations of the Central Crisis Staff of the Slovak Republic (ÚKŠ SR) and the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic (ÚVZ SR).
15. Operations of services that are not under the administration of the SD are governed by the current regulations of ÚKŠ SR and ÚVZ SR.

#### **A. Green phase - the procedure for ensuring normal operation of the SD**

The green phase represents a condition in which the SD **does not have a person** with suspected COVID-19 or a confirmed COVID-19 disease.

- a) The student is obliged to observe and proceed according to the measures and guidelines of the SD and ÚVZ SR
- b) A foreign student from a risky country must submit a negative test for COVID-19, performed on the territory of the Slovak Republic, before the start of accommodation in the SD
- c) A student with permanent residence in the SR and a foreign student from a safe country must submit an Affidavit before the start of accommodation in the SD
- d) The student is obliged to disinfect their hands after arrival at and departure from the SD or student dining area (hereinafter referred to as the SDA) and other operations located in the SD
- e) The student is obliged to wear a face mask everywhere in the interior premises of the SD and the SDA, except for their room
- f) The student is obliged to regularly clean their premises, especially sanitary facilities, using disinfectants, to use liquid disinfectant soaps and observe hygiene measures
- g) We recommend frequent and intensive ventilation in the room where group of students is present
- h) Students are advised to minimize travel from the SD (home or elsewhere) during the 2020/2021 academic year.
- ch) Admission to the SD is restricted to accommodated students and persons working in the SD premises
- i) Visits are prohibited in the SD so that safe environment is ensured

#### **B. Orange phase - procedure in the event of suspected COVID-19 disease**

The orange phase occurs in the case of a student with **suspected** COVID-19 disease.

In case of suspicion of COVID-19 disease of the accommodated person, the following guidelines apply beyond the scope of the green phase measure:

Students with symptoms of respiratory tract infection that may correspond to the known symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, vomiting, diarrhoea, sudden loss of taste and smell, another symptom of upper respiratory tract infection) **are prohibited from leaving the room** and are ordered **mandatory home isolation** until further procedure determined by the attending physician. If there is not enough capacity for individual isolation, the Operations Director of the SD may order the **isolation of the entire room or accommodation unit**.

#### **1. Student with permanent residence in Slovakia:**

- a) If the student develops symptoms of COVID-19 infection during the day, the student immediately informs the SD through the listed contacts of the relevant SD (see Annex No. 1-6). There is permanent service on the listed telephone contacts.
- b) Only the locally competent RPHA or the attending physician can designate a student with a **suspicion** of COVID-19 disease.
- c) If the locally competent RPHA notifies the SD of the suspicion of the occurrence of the disease in the student, then the SD follows its instructions and provides co-operation to the locally competent RPHA.
- d) If the student notifies the SD after the indication by the general practitioner that they are suspected of having COVID-19, the SD immediately contacts the locally relevant RPHA and follows its instructions and provides co-operation to the locally competent RPHA.
- e) If a student is suspected of having COVID-19, the mandatory home isolation applies to all accommodated students in the given room or unit.
- f) If the student has a **positive** test result, the red phase commences, and the student and other roommates are recommended **home isolation outside the SD accommodation** in another accommodation facility.

#### **2. Foreign student who does not have a permanent residence in Slovakia:**

They proceed in the same way as the "Student with permanent residence in Slovakia" with the only difference that they complete domestic isolation in the designated isolation facility in the SD, until the time determined by the RPHA or the attending physician.

### **C. Red phase - procedure in case of the occurrence of COVID-19 disease**

The red phase commences in the event of **more than two confirmed positive cases of COVID-19** among the accommodated persons at the SD.

In the case of a confirmed disease in a COVID-19 positive student, the following guidelines apply beyond the green and orange phase measures:

#### **1. Student with permanent residence in Slovakia:**

- a) is obliged, in co-operation with the locally competent RPHA, to ensure domestic isolation **outside the accommodation** in the given SD, at the address of their permanent residence or in another accommodation facility, until the time determined by the RPHA or the attending physician.
- b) In an exceptional case and in the case of free accommodation capacities, they may undergo domestic isolation in a designated isolation in the SD or the Operations Director of the SD may order mandatory domestic isolation of the entire room or accommodation unit.

## **2. Foreign student who does not have a permanent residence in Slovakia:**

- a) Foreign students with a positive test will, in cooperation with the RPHA, be transferred to home isolation to another accommodation facility or, in exceptional cases, to a designated isolation facility in the SD.
- b) In the event that there is not sufficient capacity of designated isolation facilities in the SD, the Operations Director of the SD may order the isolation of the entire room or accommodation unit.

In Bratislava, on 02/09/2020

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### **Annexes**

- No. 1 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the Mladá Garda SD.
- No. 2 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the Jura Hronca SD
- No. 3 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the N. Belojanisa SD.
- No. 4 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the Akademik SD.
- No. 5 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the Mladost' SD.
- No. 6 Warning system - Compliance with hygienic and epidemiological measures for the Dobrovičova SD.