

Changes to Isolation Periods

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 which were **taken 24 hours apart**.

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](#).

TO RETURN ON THE DAY OF A SECOND NEGATIVE TEST, BOTH TESTS WOULD NEED TO BE TAKEN BEFORE 9AM.

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 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| | | | | | Negative LFD | Negative LFD | | | | |

Day Zero is the day symptoms started **or** the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.

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

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 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|--------|
| | | | | | Positive LFD | Negative LFD | Negative LFD | | | |

Day Zero is the day symptoms started **or** the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.

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

Scenario 3 A negative test on Day 7 and then Day 8. Isolation ends on Day 8 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 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| | | | | | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Negative LFD | Negative LFD | | |

Day Zero is the day symptoms started **or** the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.

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

Scenario 4 A negative test on Day 8 and then Day 9. Isolation ends on Day 9 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 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| | | | | | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Negative LFD | Negative LFD | |

Day Zero is the day symptoms started **or** the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.

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

Scenario 5 A negative test on Day 9 and then Day 10. Isolation ends on Day 10 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 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | | | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Negative LFD | Negative LFD |

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

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

| Day Zero | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 | Day 8 | Day 9 | Day 10 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| | | | | | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | Positive LFD | |

Day Zero is the day symptoms started **or** the day the test was taken if asymptomatic. Day 1 of isolation is the day after Day Zero.

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.