



Health and Wellbeing at Work 15-16 March 2022 **NEC Covid Rules**

Entry requirements COVID-status checks:

The health and safety of everyone who visits the NEC remains our top priority. As with other large UK venues, The NEC are implementing COVID-status checks at agreed entry points to keep visitors and staff safe.

All visitors, exhibitors and contractors will be asked to show proof of their COVID-19 status.

The accepted methods of showing COVID-status are as follows:

- NHS COVID-19 Pass via the NHS App or a paper copy. (It is advised individuals apply no later than 48 hours before attending their event to allow for the application to be processed in time.)

OR

- Proof of immunity shown by a positive PCR test result for COVID-19, lasting for 180 days from the date of the positive test and following completion of the self-isolation period.

OR

- Lateral flow or PCR negative test results text or e-mail, received within 72 hours prior to attending the event. However, we would encourage visitors to complete their test within 48 hours as some organisers/promoters may request the shorter timeframe.

OR

- If visitors would prefer not to use the NHS App or do not have a smartphone they can obtain a NHS COVID-19 Pass letter (proving vaccination status only) by calling 119 or visiting the NHS website.

OR

- EU Digital or paper COVID Certificate. International visitors can show their equivalent COVID Pass from their country of origin.

Exhibitors and contractors along with any multiple day visitor will be checked every 48hrs

For those visitors who cannot provide their COVID-status, our Venue Protect team will offer the option to take a lateral flow test on-site. If the result is negative, you will be able to enter the venue. **The lateral flow test costs £12 per person.** This charge covers the costs of staffing the testing, the on-site arrangements and the cost of purchasing the test. The NEC does not make a profit from the test charge.

For those visitors, who choose not to follow any of the guidance, and object to any checks you will NOT be permitted entry into the venue.

We ask visitors to please bear with us as these checks take place, as there may be a slight delay in accessing the venue.

Codes of behaviour:

Health and safety risk assessments are undertaken for every event. This includes but is not limited to, the consideration of international travel and audience demographics. We also ask individuals to take personal responsibility for their health and those around them by adhering to COVID-19 safety measures in place and NOT attending our venue if they...

- Are displaying symptoms of COVID-19 (a high temperature, new and persistent cough, or a loss of/change in sense of taste or smell), even if these symptoms are mild.
- have been asked to self-isolate because they have been exposed to a person with COVID-19
- or live with an individual who has symptoms of COVID-19

For more details please visit <https://thenec.co.uk/visitors/plan-your-visit/>