



5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

## COVID Measures – Further Update

We wrote to you yesterday with updated COVID measures and would like to provide some further clarity on the new 7 day isolation and testing rules.

The DfE guidance we received prior to school re-opening is not fully aligned with the latest Government guidance online, with regards to the 7 day isolation period.

Our letter yesterday stated the following:

If your child tests positive, day 0 is classed as the day symptoms began or when the positive test was taken.

- Day 6 - take LFD
- Day 7 - take LFD
- If both LFD tests are negative and your child has no temperature, your child may come out of isolation and return to school on day 8 by providing a photograph of the negative LFDs

Correction:

Official Government guidance states that following a 2<sup>nd</sup> negative LFD, your child may come out of isolation on **day 7**.

**This is only if there are 24 hours between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> negative LFDs (on day 6 and day 7).**

For example, if you test your child at 7am on day 6, then at 7am on day 7 and both tests are negative, your child may return to school on day 7 if you're able to provide a photograph of the 2 negative test results in time for your child starting school.

Please see the following page for the advice provided on the Government website.

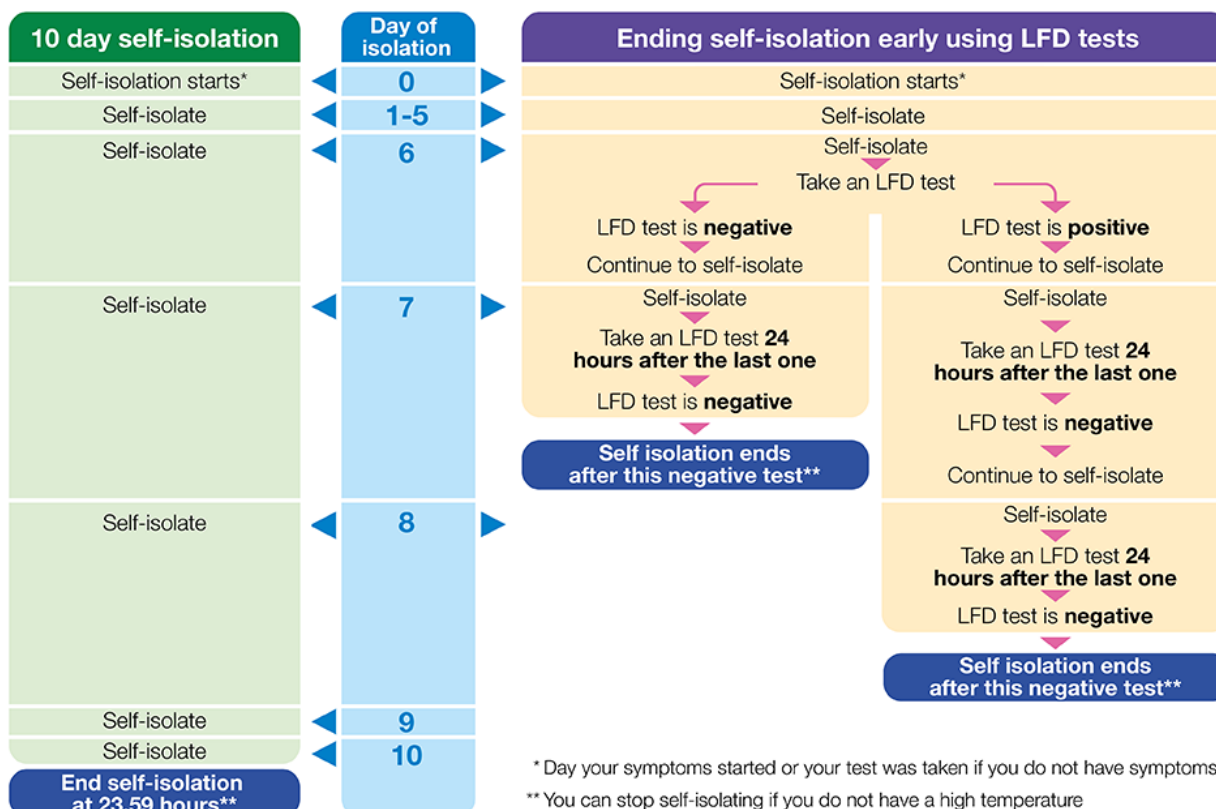


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## Examples of when to end self-isolation if you have had COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result



This means that if, for example, your symptoms started at any time on the 15th of the month (or if you did not have symptoms but your first positive COVID-19 test was taken on the 15th), you may take daily LFD tests from the 21st of the month. If your LFD test results are negative on the 21st and 22nd, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your isolation period after the negative test result on the 22nd of the month.

Many thanks and apologies for any confusion.

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