

Instructions on how to carry out activities in conditions of epidemiological safety for the prevention and control of infections with SARS-Cov-2 in “Tudor Vladimirescu” student campus

These instructions will be enforced on “Tudor Vladimirescu” student campus of “Gheorghe Asachi” Technical University of Iasi subsequent to the issuance of Order no 5487/1494/2020 by the Ministry of Education and Research and the Ministry of Health, with a view to guaranteeing the right to education and to health of the TUIASI students, as well as of the personnel of the TUIASI Student Services Office.

The measures aim to:

- guarantee the implementation of the activities intended to prevent SRS-Cov-2 infections;
- organise spaces so as to ensure that physical distancing requirements are met;
- organise access to the halls of residence, to the cafeteria, to the sports base;
- apply hygienic-sanitary measures at an individual level;
- apply hygienic-sanitary measures in the halls of residence, the cafeteria and the sports base on the campus;
- train the personnel and communicate permanently to the students the measures intended to prevent infections with SARS-Cov-2;
- ensure the application of measures of protection in the case of the students and the campus personnel who are part of the risk groups related to age and/or chronic diseases and/or disabilities.

1. Ensuring a coordination of the activities intended to prevent infections with SARS-Cov-2.

Within the Office for Student Services, in accordance with the decision of the Administrative Council, Mrs. eng. Camelia Nițulescu – head of the Social Affairs Office – was appointed as the person in charge with the coordination of the activities intended to prevent infections with SARS-Cov-2.

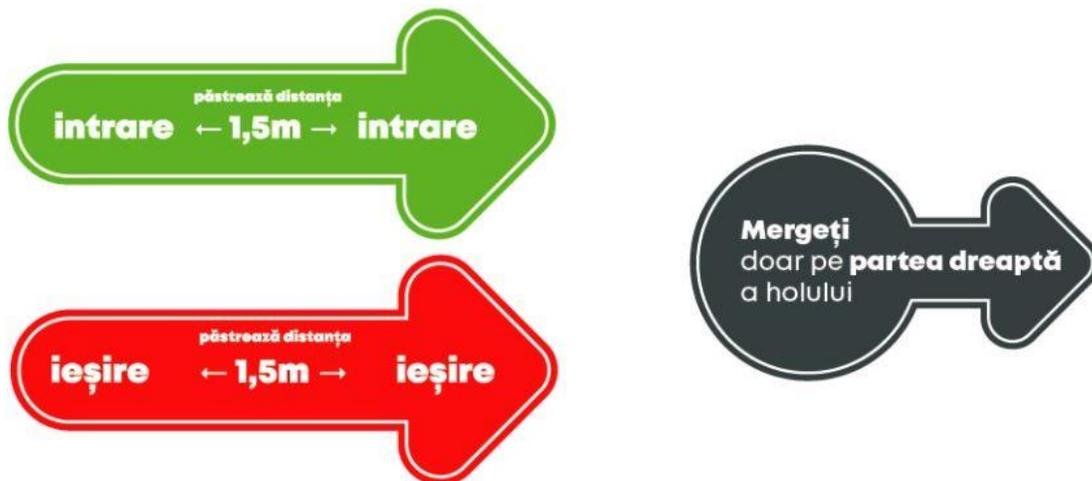
In the halls of residence, the cafeteria, the sports base, the persons in charge with the coordination of the activities intended to prevent infections with SARS-Cov-2 are the administrators of these respective buildings.

2. Organising access to residence halls and cafeteria

- the persons’ access and orientation will be taken care of at the entrance to the halls of residence, to the cafeteria and to the sports base by members of the staff of the university’s Security Service or of the Security service company with which the university signed a provision of services agreement for the halls T1-T2, T3-T4, T5, T9;

- at the entrance to the halls of residence, to the cafeteria and to the sports base there will be hand disinfectant dispensers;
- at the entrance to the buildings, information materials regarding the hygiene/protection measures will be displayed;
- access to the **halls of residence** will be allowed only to students living in the hall in question. Therefore, visitors' access to the residence halls (relatives, friends, students from other halls of residence, etc.) will be forbidden. At the entrance to the **hall of residence**, the students will show their hall of residence card to the security agents;
- access to the **cafeteria** will only be allowed to TUIASI students and personnel; they will show the security agent any document proving their student/employee status. No other category of persons will be allowed to enter the cafeteria;
- all persons entering the halls of residence or the cafeteria will disinfect their hands and will wear masks covering their mouth and nose;
- the security agents (university's employees + security company employees) will take the students' temperature readings when they enter the building. All security points on the campus have a contactless infrared thermometer;
- in every building there will be an “in-out” circuit signalled on the floor by means of different colours; green – ‘in’ direction; red – ‘out’ direction; grey – ‘only walk on the right side of the hallway’;
- 1.5 m physical distancing between persons will be signalled by means of marks coloured in green and red, corresponding to the “in-out” circuits;

Example:



- the access doors will be kept opened as much as possible, in order to avoid contact areas and to ensure an adequate aeration of the spaces.

3. Organising spaces so as to prevent contact

a) Organising circuits inside common areas

At each building of the student camps, a “in-out” circuit will be marked; this will be signalled on the floor, by means of different colours; green for the ‘in’ circuit; red for the ‘out’ circuit; grey for ‘only walk on the right side of the hallway’;

b) Organising halls of residence

The cleaning and disinfection of all common areas (hallways, corridors, bathrooms, shared kitchen areas, laundries, etc.) will be done according to a posted schedule. The schedule will be displayed in a visible place and will include information about the cleaning and disinfection, the frequency, the hours, the signature of the person who did it, the signature of the person who checked it (the building administrator).

The accommodation capacity of each hall of residence will be reduced, in accordance with Order no. 5487/1494/31.08.2020, issued by the Ministry of Education and Research and by the Ministry of Health. Thus, the new maximum accommodation capacity of the halls of residence on “Tudor Vladimirescu” campus, during the 1st semester of the academic year 2020-2021, will be as follows:

No	Hall of residence	Maximum accommodation capacity per room
1.	T1-T2	1 person
2.	T3-T4	1 person
3.	T5	1 person
4.	T7-T8	2 persons
5.	T9	2 persons
6.	T10	2 persons
7.	T11	2 persons
8.	T12	2 persons
9.	T13	2 persons
10.	T14	2 persons
11.	T15	2 persons
12.	T16	2 persons
13.	T17	2 persons
14.	T18	2 persons
15.	T19	2 persons
16.	T20	2 persons
17.	T21	2 persons

Building T16 and entrance C of the Hall of Residence T20 will be used for the temporary isolation of cases that are suspect of or confirmed with infection with SARS-CoV-2.

Over the 2nd semester, in case a big number of accommodation requests from the students who will start the classes onsite is recorded, the maximum accommodation capacity will rise from 2 to 3 persons in the halls of residence T9, T10, T11, T12, T17, T18, T19, in accordance with the maximum indicators imposed by art. 55 of the Annex to the Order of the Minister of Health no. 119/2014.

Only students from the same year, and if possible, from the same group of study, could be accommodated in the same room.

Correctly wearing the mask in the common areas of the halls of residence is compulsory.

The students' stopping or socialising in the common areas of the hall of residence will not be allowed.

The students who will organise parties will be evacuated from the hall of residence in less than 24 hours.

The students accommodated in the halls of residence have the obligation to keep clean, to disinfect and to aerate regularly the room.

The international students will have to comply with the isolation rules imposed by the country of origin; within this context, prior information is recommended.

The persons coming from international travels to countries/areas with high epidemiological risk and who have the right to enter Romania's national territory are obligated to go into quarantine/isolation at home for 14 days after their return. The list of high-epidemiologic risk countries is established by the National Institute for Public Health.

When the period of isolation ends, the students will return to the halls of residence with a medical certificate issued by the family doctor.

For each residence hall, an action plan will be elaborated for the cases of SARS-CoV-2 infection. This plan will be displayed on the notice board at the residence hall entrance.

If a suspect or confirmed case of SARS-CoV-2 appears, the isolation protocol will be activated, the Public Health District Authority will be announced and the emergency service 112 will be called.

The confirmed student will self-quarantine, either in the units of isolation and treatment that are annexed to hospitals, or at their own home, provided that they could get to their domicile address by their personal means of transport. The room mates of the confirmed students will be quarantined in the residence hall room, provided that the room in question has an en-suite bathroom. In case the room has not an en-suite bathroom, the students will be quarantined in the rooms of the residence hall T16, used as a quarantine building. For the quarantined students, particular solutions will be found so that they could receive the food in front of the room door.

c) Organising the reading rooms in the halls of residence

The reading rooms will be closed for the whole period of the first semester. Sufficient space for individual study is considered to exist in the rooms of the halls of residence, as the accommodation capacity was reduced to 1 or 2 students.

d) Organising the shared bathrooms

The cleaning and disinfection of all bathrooms will be done daily, according to a posted schedule. The schedule will be displayed in a visible place, including the cleaning and disinfection information, the frequency, the hours, the signature of the person who did it, the signature of the person who checked it (the building administrator).

The maximum number of persons who could enter simultaneously will be displayed at the entrance to the shared bathrooms.

Liquid soap and single-use disposable paper towels dispensers will be installed. These will be regularly recharged. A graphic schedule mentioning the date and the time when these were recharged will be displayed.

Information materials regarding correct hygiene will be displayed.

Disinfection of the surfaces frequently touched by the students will be intensified.

e) Organising shared kitchen areas

At the entrance to the shared kitchen areas, hand disinfectant dispensers will be installed; the maximum number of students allowed to use simultaneously the shared kitchen area will be displayed.

Posters urging the students to disinfect their hands before coming in will be visible at the entrance to the shared kitchen area.

Each shared kitchen area will be equipped with a dishwashing liquid dispenser and a single-use disposable paper towels dispenser.

The cleaning and disinfection of all the shared kitchen areas will be done according to a posted schedule. The schedule will be displayed in a visible place, including the cleaning and disinfection information, the frequency, the hours, the signature of the person who did it, the signature of the person who checked it (the building administrator).

f) Organising the laundries

At the entrance to the laundries, hand disinfectant dispensers will be installed and the maximum number of students allowed to enter simultaneously the shared kitchen area will be displayed.

g) Organising the outer areas around the halls of residence and the cafeteria

In the areas where the students usually gather, posters will be displayed regarding the rules of social distancing.

h) Organising the cafeteria

Students will only have the possibility to buy food to-go from the cafeteria on “Tudor Vladimirescu” campus.

At the entrance to the cafeteria, a hand disinfectant dispenser will be installed and students’ temperature readings will be taken.

Wearing a mask is compulsory inside the cafeteria.

The “in-out” circuit will be signalled on the floor, as well as the 1.5 m physical distancing between persons, according to the provisions of the chapter “Organising access to the halls of residence, the cafeteria and the sports base”.

The daily cleaning and disinfection of all bathrooms in the cafeteria will be done according to a posted schedule; the schedule will be displayed in a visible place, including the cleaning and disinfection information, the frequency, the hours, the signature of the person who did it, the signature of the person who checked it (the building administrator).

The disinfection of surfaces frequently touched by the students will be intensified.

At the entrance to the bathrooms in the cafeteria, the maximum number of persons who can enter simultaneously will be displayed.

Liquid soap and single-use disposable paper towels dispensers will be installed. These will be regularly recharged. A graphic schedule mentioning the date and the time when these were recharged will be displayed.

Information material regarding correct hygiene will be displayed.

i) Organising the sports base

The sports activities will mainly take place on the 6 outdoor fields of the university. The sports indoor halls will only be resorted to when weather/temperatures during winter will not allow for physical activities out.

The access and orientation of persons will be taken care of at the entrance to the sports base by the security agent on duty.

Hand disinfectant dispensers will be installed at the entrance to the sports hall. All persons entering the sports hall will disinfect their hands and will wear a mask covering their mouth and nose until they get to the locker rooms.

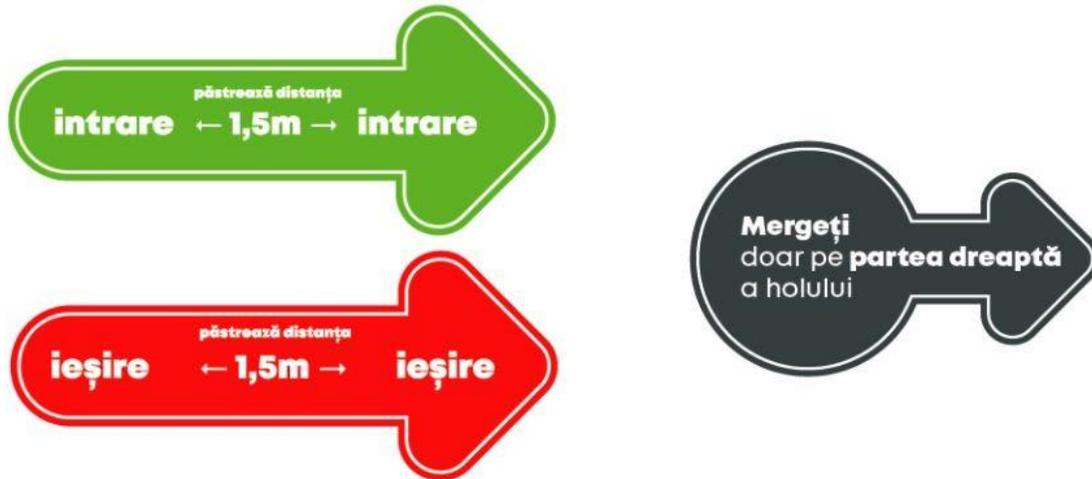
At the entrance to the sports hall, information material regarding the hygiene/protection measures will be displayed.

At the entrance to the sports hall, the students will show the security agent a document attesting their student status.

The security agent will take the students’ temperature readings at the entrance to the sports hall.

An “in-out” circuit will be signalled on the floor by means of different colour marks; green – ‘in’ circuit; red – ‘out’ circuit; grey – ‘only walk on the right side of the hallway’. The 1.5 m physical distancing between persons will be signalled by means of green and red marks, corresponding to the ‘in-out’ circuits.

Example:



The access doors and the windows will be kept opened as much as possible, to avoid contact areas and to ensure adequate aeration.

The maximum number of students who can participate simultaneously in the sports activity in a hall will be displayed.

Inside the sports halls of the sports base will take place only Sports university classes. The students' access to the sports halls will not be allowed any more outside the Sports classes.

On the outdoor sports fields, the students' access outside the Sports classes will be allowed only upon a written approval of the University.

The cleaning and disinfection of all bathrooms in the sports base will be done daily, according to a posted schedule; the schedule will be displayed in a visible place, including the cleaning and disinfection information, the frequency, the hours, the signature of the person who did it, the signature of the person who checked it (the building administrator).

The disinfection of sports equipment frequently touched by the students will be intensified.

4.Triage protocol

The students' epidemiologic triage is made in accordance to the legal rules in force, i.e. Order of the Health Ministry no.653/2001 on the medical assistance of preschool, school and university students, with all subsequent modifications and additions.

The students' daily triage is made by temperature readings and self-evaluation of the state of health.

At the same time, the daily triage is made each time students enter each residence hall, by temperature readings by the security guards or by employees of the Student Services Office.

In case a student's temperature, when entering the residence hall, is higher than 37.3°C, they will wait for 5 minutes in the entrance hall, keeping a minimal distance of 1.5 meters to any other person. After 5 minutes, another temperature reading will be taken. If at the second reading the temperature is still higher than 37.3°C, the student will wait for 5 more minutes, keeping a minimum distance of 1.5 metres to any other person.

The temperature reading will be repeated for a third time. If at the third reading the temperature is still higher than 37.3°C, the security guard will record the student in a register made to this purpose, including the following information: last name, first name, residence hall, room number, telephone number.

The security guard will inform the residence hall administrator about this situation. The security guard will hand the student a note with the indications they are to observe and a thermometer for temperature readings in the following days.

The student will go to their room and wait to be called on the telephone by the employees of the Student Services Office or the personnel of the on-campus clinic. The student will leave their room only after being allowed to by the personnel of the on-campus clinic.

The auxiliary teaching staff and the non-teaching staff presenting symptoms specific to potentially infectious diseases (fever, cough, headaches, sore throat, respiration difficulties, diarrhoea, vomiting) will self-quarantine at their home, contact the family doctor and immediately announce the person in charge appointed by the university board.

5. Quarantine protocol for sick students

The students with fever, respiratory symptoms or other symptoms specific to infectious diseases (vomiting, diarrhoea, myalgias, modified general state) must immediately call the on-campus clinic, at the telephone number 0232.702.461 – Monday-Friday, between 8.00 am–6.30 pm –, while on Saturdays and on Sundays, or from Monday to Friday after 6.30 pm, they will call the 112 emergency service.

At the indications of the on-campus clinic personnel, the students with the symptoms described above will be quarantined in their residence hall room, if it has an en-suite bathroom, or in the residence hall T16, if their room has no en-suite bathroom.

The students confirmed with SARS-CoV-2 infection will be quarantined either in the units for quarantine and treatment that are annexed to hospitals, or at their own home, provided that they could get to their domicile address by their personal means of transport.

The room mates of the confirmed students will be quarantined in the residence hall room, provided that the room in question has an en-suite bathroom. In case the room has not an en-suite bathroom, the students will be quarantined in the rooms of the residence hall T16, used as a quarantine building. For the quarantined students, particular solutions will be found so that they could buy and receive the food from the on-campus cafeteria in front of the room door.

The student will not go to the family doctor, pharmacy, emergency service or hospital. In case the symptoms get severe, the emergency number 112 will be called.

The residence hall rooms that were occupied by quarantined students will be disinfected by the personnel of the Student Services Office.

The students who were confirmed with SARS-CoV-2 infection will be allowed to return to the residence hall upon presentation of a medical certificate issued by the family doctor, indicating the diagnosis. The student will present the certificate to the residence hall administrator.

6. Measures for students and employees of the Office for Student Affairs who are part of the risk groups related to age and/or chronic diseases and/or disabilities

- The students being part of a risk group (such as: severe chronic respiratory diseases, severe obesity, type I diabetes, inflammatory diseases, immune/autoimmune diseases, metabolism hereditary diseases, disabilities, immunosuppressive treatment) will return to the hall of residence only with the attending physician's consent and specific recommendations
- The personnel being part of a risk group (age-related risks, diabetes or other chronic diseases) will return on the campus with the consent of the occupational physician;
- The Student Services Office staff who present symptoms specific to a condition with infectious potential (fever, cough, headaches, sore throat, respiration difficulties, diarrhoea, vomiting) will isolate themselves home, contact the family doctor and announce the person in charge appointed by the university board.

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