

User operation at PSI during the Covid-19 pandemic period

Safety protection and guidelines for users (as of July 5, 2021)



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The protection concept is based on the following general rules:

- Low number of users on site
- Small motion range
- As less interaction as possible
- Enhanced hygiene standards

The PSI regulations for a safe working environment do include:

- Regular hand washing and/or hand disinfection
- Distance of at least 1.5 m between people
- Masks are required for close working conditions (<1.5 m separation) and at the beamlines/instruments depending on the room size and number of people.
- > 4 m²/person in meeting rooms

Compulsory SARS-CoV-2 tests for external users:

Starting with May 1, 2021 all *external* users of the PSI facilities SLS, SwissFEL, SINQ, SμS and CHRISP must present a certificate of a negative PCR test for SARS-CoV-2 according to Swiss BAG rules for air travel (i.e. currently with the date of the result being not older than 72 hrs when arriving at PSI, NO self-testing).

“External” means: both not being affiliated to PSI and without a long-term or permanent PSI access badge.

[Further information](#)

For our external users the above regulations do strictly apply. Additionally, please be aware of the following guidelines:

- People must be healthy and must not show any Covid-19 symptoms. If you feel ill or do show Covid-19 symptoms please stay in your hotel/guesthouse room and inform your local contact or the PSI User Office (useroffice@psi.ch, phone 4666).
- On request from PSI or the sending institution, the user must be able to provide a trace of the contacts up to three days before and during the business trip.
- If the user is suspected of having an infection before, during or 3 days after the visit, it is mandatory to immediately inform either your local contact or the PSI User Office by phone or e-mail.
- If there is a suspicion of infection of one of the contact persons at PSI during or 3 days after the visit, the local contact must immediately inform the user or the superior by phone or e-mail.

Travel restrictions to and within Switzerland:

- The Swiss Federal Office of Public Health maintains a [website with actual information](#) about the actual travel restrictions to and within Switzerland.
- Additionally PSI reserves its right to apply additional restrictions to access the PSI campus.