# What will happen when I go for my test?



Travel to the test centre on the day and at the time you have selected.

A member of staff will greet you on arrival and check you do not have COVID-19 symptoms.



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Please remember to wear a face covering to your appointment unless you are exempt. One will be provided if you haven't got one. Please use the hand sanitiser on arrival.

You will then be escorted to the testing area where a member of staff will talk you through the test including how to register your test.



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You will need to put the swab in the back of your mouth near your tonsils.

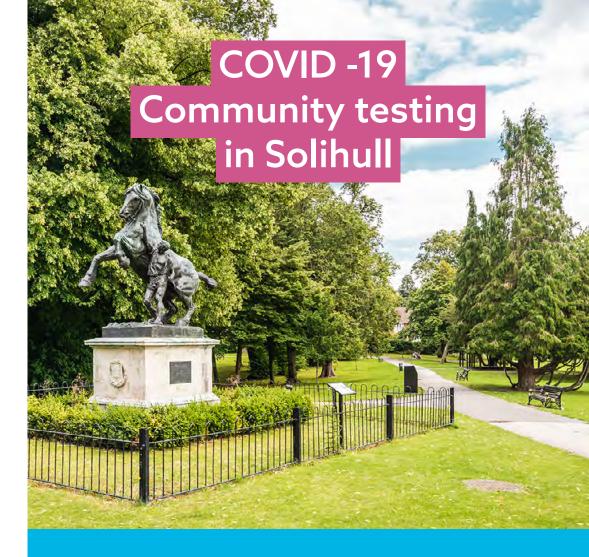
You will then need to put the swab up your nose.



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Next carefully place the swab into the tube provided.

A member of staff will now process the test. You will receive your results via SMS message from NHS Test and Trace within the hour. If you test positive you will need to book in a PCR test within two days to confirm you have COVID. Monkspath Hall Road and Birmingham Airport are the closest PCR test sites and tests can be booked here: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by calling 119.













Hands

Face

**Space** 

Fresh air

Get a test





## What is COVID-19 community testing?

Community testing is a type of COVID-19 testing for people who do not have COVID symptoms.

It involves a swab test and gives results in under an hour. People carry out their own swab tests, then trained staff process the test.

These tests are vital in helping to stop the spread of COVID-19. They are quick and easy to do and give fast results.

### Who should have the test?

Anyone living or working in Solihull over the age of 2 can get a test. This is an appointment only service, you should attend alone unless you require assistance from another adult or are aged 2-17 years old.

You must not have any symptoms of COVID-19, nor should you attend if someone in your household is self-isolating (you need to self-isolate with them).

Not everyone who tests positive for the virus gets COVID-19 symptoms. By taking the test regularly, preferably twice a week (every 3-5 days), you can make sure you are not passing the virus onto family, friends and colleagues.

#### How do I book a test?

You must book a test online here: https://www.solihull.gov.uk/ COVID-19/covidtesting

Anyone needing help to book should call 0121 704 6918, Monday – Thursday, 9am – 5pm, Friday 9am – 4pm. Please note this number is only for help if you are unable to access the website or if you have testing queries.

Let's keep doing the right thing for Solihull and get tested for COVID-19

## Where can I get a test?

You need to book an appointment to take a test at one of our community testing centres. No walk-in appointments are available. Tests are available at:



Test centres and opening hours may change so please check the Council website regularly for the latest information and for Mobile Testing Unit locations.

**Community Collect -** anyone over the age of 18 can now collect tests from either of the Council Testing centres and from the Council's COVID-19 Mobile Testing Unit. No booking is required for this service. Kits can also be ordered directly online or collected from pharmacies. Enter your postcode to find your nearest test collection centre: https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/

Visit www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests to order a home supply.

## Help and support

Solihull residents who test positive for COVID-19 will be contacted locally by the Solihull contact tracing service with advice and support about the required 10-day self-isolation period.

You may be eligible for financial support. For more information please visit www.solihull.gov.uk/COVID-19/here2help or call 0121 704 8200. If you generally feel unwell or develop symptoms (high temperature, new continuous cough, loss or change in sense of smell or taste) you need to book a test via the national website: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by phoning 119.