

Rector's Order No. 9/2021. (VIII.27.)/R

on the Operation of Residence Halls, Colleges for Advanced Studies and Rented Accommodation of Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary for the academic year 2021/2022 with regard to the control of the coronavirus pandemic

Concerning the state of health crisis declared in Government Decree 283/2020 (17 June) introducing a state of epidemiological preparedness, in accordance with Government Decree 484/2020 (10 November) on the second phase of protective measures applicable during the period of state of danger and Government Decree 408/2020 (30 August) on travel restrictions during the period of state of epidemiological preparedness, in the interest of the orderly and effective operation of the University's residence halls, dormitories, other rented accommodation and colleges for advanced studies (hereinafter: resident halls), I issue the following order pursuant to Article 32 (1) of the Organisational and Operational Rules of Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary (hereinafter: University).

1. Preamble

1.1. This Order takes into account the protection of life, health, property and legal security of the citizens living and working in the residence halls of Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary, the guarantee of the continuity of higher education at the University, the smooth operation of the University as well as the prevention of the further spread of the coronavirus pandemic.

2. Rules for creating a healthy and safe environment for operating the residence halls

- 2.1. Compliance with the rules for creating a healthy and safe environment for the performance of University's tasks is also compulsory in the resident halls.
- 2.2. The guidelines issued by the Ministry of Innovation and Technology shall be taken into account with regard to the entry, vaccination and immunity cards of non-Hungarian citizens who have accommodation in the residence hall or are admitted there (GUIDELINES ON ENTRY, VACCINATION AND IMMUNITY CARDS FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS, available on https://english.kre.hu/index.php/information-for-international-students/covid-19/entry-into-the-territory-of-hungary.html).

3. General Rules for Operating Residence Halls

- 3.1. Residence halls may be visited only by healthy persons who do not show the symptoms of the coronavirus disease.
- 3.2. Events may only be organised or held in accordance with the rules set out in the Government Decree.
- 3.3. Only persons having immunity to the coronavirus may participate in musical and dancing or other events at the residence hall.



- 3.4. If a right under the Government Decree can be exercised in the case of immunity to the coronavirus, the person intending to exercise this right may be requested to present his/her immunity card in order to prove his/her immunity.
- 3.5. When moving into the residence hall or staying there, a person is considered protected against the coronavirus if he/she proves it by presenting an official immunity card according to Government Decree 60/2021 (12 February) on certifying immunity to coronavirus.
- 3.6. Efforts should be made to accommodate persons having immunity to the coronavirus in the same room or dormitory unit. To this end, the persons in charge of on-site accommodation should ask the student to present his/her immunity card, provided that access to the personal data must be based on voluntary, explicit consent of the student, following appropriate information, without collecting, recording or storing personal data.
- 3.7. The allocation of dormitory rooms should be modified on the basis of immunity to coronavirus according to point 6.
- 3.8. It is recommended to wear a medical facemask made of textile or other materials covering the mouth and the nose indoors, if several persons are in the same room. The use of a mask should not be prohibited for anyone.
- 3.9. The move-in process should be organised in space and time in such a way that the minimum safety distance is maintained. To avoid overcrowding is an ongoing objective.
- 3.10. As far as possible, students of the same study groups or attending the same classes should be accommodated in the same room.
- 3.11. Taking into consideration the availability of places in the residence halls, the headcounts must be determined in accordance with the appropriate hygiene rules.
- 3.12. When organizing any event or programme in the territory of the residence halls, care must be taken to keep an appropriate distance between the persons.
- 3.13. Guests arriving at the residence hall are obliged to comply with the provisions set out in this information.
- 3.14. Individual and team sports are permitted on the outdoor sports fields of the residence halls.
- 3.15. In kitchens and in sanitary, bathing and toilette facilities, as well as in common areas (study rooms, computer rooms), the number of persons occupying the premises at the same time may not exceed the number of persons required to maintain a sufficient safety distance. In common areas, such as kitchens and sanitary rooms, occupants must respect the rules of social distancing in space and time.
- 3.16. The number of facilities in rest and common areas (both indoors and outdoors) should be reduced as necessary to avoid crowded spaces.
- 3.17. The operator of the residence hall must ensure that antiviral hand sanitizers are placed and regularly refilled in the common areas.
- 3.18. The operator of the residence hall should ensure increased cleaning and disinfection of the common premises.
- 3.19. Students and persons staying at the residence hall should be reminded to observe the coughing and sneezing etiquette, and the need for frequent hand washing and disinfection.
- 3.20. Natural and artificial ventilation in the dormitories should be provided as often as possible.
- 3.21. Frequently touched surfaces must be regularly cleaned and disinfected.
- 3.22. After the maintenance of the air-conditioning equipment, the maintainer is obliged to issue a written certificate of the disinfection of the machine, including the exact date, the disinfectant used and the name of the responsible person.
- 3.23. If the student does not have an address in Hungary, or is not a Hungarian citizen, or has stayed abroad within 2 weeks prior to moving in, may move into the residence hall
 - a) in compliance with the provisions of Government Decree on travel restrictions,
 - b) in compliance with the legislation in force,
 - c) and in compliance with the public health protocol published on www.koronavirus.gov.hu.



- 3.24. Persons showing the signs of the COVID-19 infection (especially fever, tiredness, dry cough, muscle pain, runny nose, sore throat, diarrhoea, shortness of breath) must not stay in the residence hall. In case of symptoms indicating a possibility of the COVID-19 infection, the person concerned or his/her fellow students are obliged to report the suspected case to the teacher of the residence hall by email. At the same time, the student showing the symptoms should consult his/her GP. The teacher shall notify the director of the residence hall or the entrusted supervisor, and should follow the instructions of the director. The student may return to the residence hall only with a medical certificate that excludes the COVID-19 infection.
- 3.25. The student is obliged to report to the teacher or to the leader of the residence hall if COVID-19 infection has been confirmed in his/her family or among his/her close friends or acquaintances with whom he/she has come into contact.
- 4. This order enters into force on 27 August 2021.

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