

What you need to know about compulsory masks

All federal states have made it compulsory to wear a mouth and nose protection in parts of public spaces.

How is the situation in Schleswig-Holstein (S-H)?

The obligation to wear masks is valid from April 29, 2020 until May 31, 2020 **extension possible and likely.**

Where and when must a mask be worn?

In S-H a mask must be worn **in busses, trains and during the shopping. This also applies for craft and service companies.**

Who is exempt?

Excluded are children up to the age of six, bus, train and ship drivers, shop assistants and taxi drivers. Passengers of taxis must wear a mask. Anyone who can show a disabled person's pass, allergy pass or similar is also exempt from the obligation.

Why the mask?

The main purpose of a mouth-nose protector is to minimize the risk of droplet infections (~ finest droplets, which are produced when coughing and sneezing) infecting others with the coronavirus. Mouth and nose must be covered. **Regulations for coughing and sneezing, hygiene measures, distance control and the ban on contact also continue to apply!**

Mask without sewing:

<https://www.tagesspiegel.de/berlin/mundschutz-ohne-naehen-selber-machen-eine-vorlage-zum-basteln-einer-atemschutz-maske/25692528.html>

Sewing instructions for masks (German, English, Turkish, Italian, Spanish):

<https://naehtalente.de/atemschutz-naehen/>

Mask duty - video for correct use:

<https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-de/themen/coronavirus/maskenpflicht-in-deutschland-1747318>

other sources: ndr.de, tagesschau.de, bundesregierung.de, rki.de