

# Following the emergence of the Omicron variant Updates have been made to the COVID-19 Rapid Test Protocol to include swabs for both the throat and nose



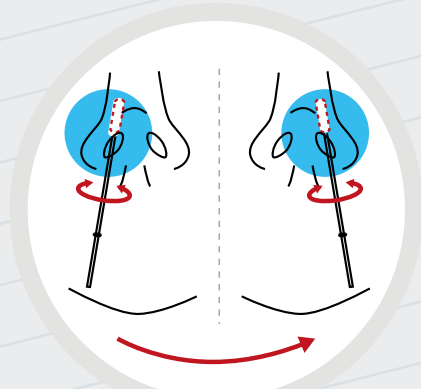
**Follow the instructions provided** with the COVID-19 rapid testing device

## How to use the device?



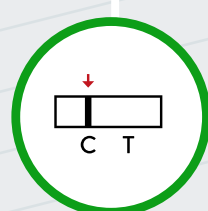
**Step 1**

**Swipe the soft tip of the swab across the very back of the throat** behind the Arch by opening mouth wide and stick out the tongue, ensure to swab the sides of the arch. Don't swab the tongue or teeth.

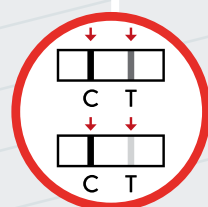


**Step 2**

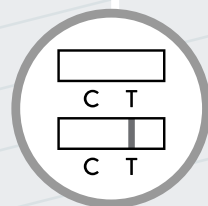
**Using the same swab, place tip of the cotton swab inside nostril** and gently wipe around inside of the nose, no force needed & repeat it to other nostril.



The result is **negative** if **one line appears in area (C)**.



The result is **positive** if **two lines appear in the (C) / (T) areas**. If so, a PCR test must be performed.



Note: The test shall be considered **invalid** and must be repeated if **no line appears in area (C)**.

## Note

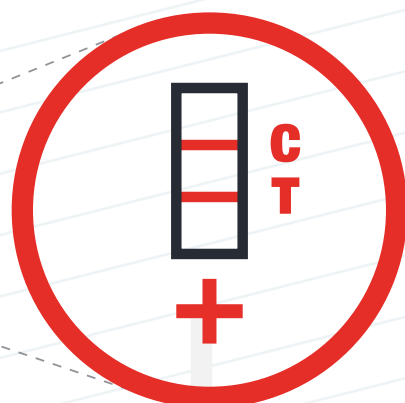


**You should not be eating or drinking 30 mins** before the procedure to yield reliable result.



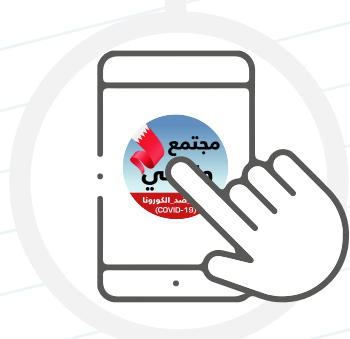
**The used tools must be sealed in a plastic bag** and kept outside for 3 days. After 3 days, it can be treated as normal waste.

# Instructions on testing positive following a rapid COVID-19 test

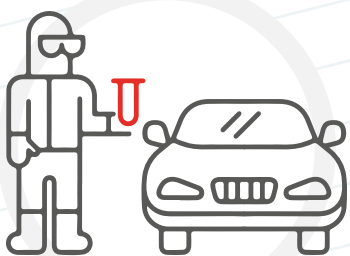


**If you have tested positive**

**following a rapid COVID-19 test**



**You must report the result via the  
“BeAware” application**

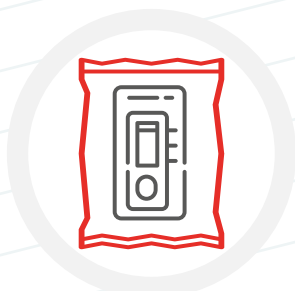


**Go directly to the drive-through  
testing center at:**

- **Muharraq Drive-Through Testing Centre, near the King Hamad University Hospital**
- **Southern Governorate Drive-Through Testing Centre, near the Bahrain Centre for Strategic, International, and Energy Studies (Derasat)**
- **Northern Governorate Drive-Through Testing Centre in Salman City**



**Without the need to call 444**



**Do not forget to carry the rapid test device  
with you following placement in a  
transparent airtight bag**

## **Note:**

**Please isolate yourself, avoid interactions with others  
and wear a mask.**