





There were eleven new Covid-19 cases in the last 24 hours. One of these, a 61-year-old elderly man, was admitted to hospital with complications that were the result of coronavirus, but is not currently in critical condition. There was also the first case of a patient from Gozo who has, more likely than not, contracted the virus when he was amongst a group of people. This Gozitan person is currently recovered in Mater Dei. The large majority of new cases are all the result of transmission from one person to another in Malta. The total number of persons who tested positive for coronavirus now stands at 64. Up till today afternoon, 2, 236 swabs for the virus have been carried out, with 1389 on symptomatic persons. 879 swabs at Mater Dei entrance were also carried out, all of which tested negative for the virus.



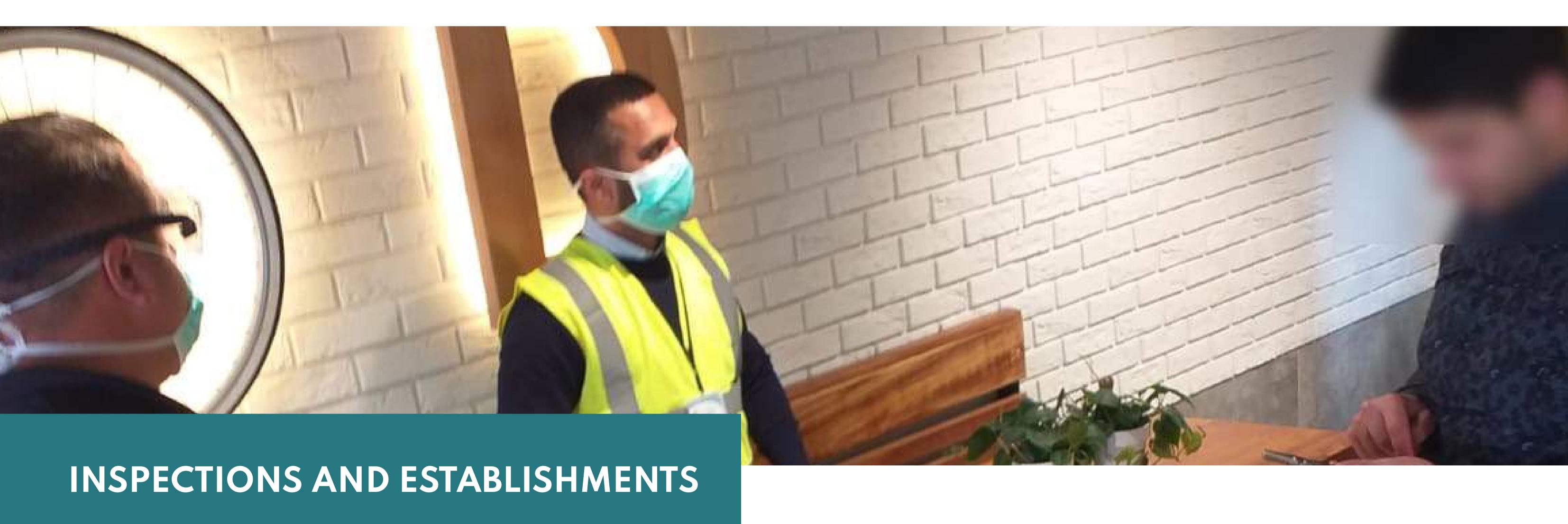
In light of local transmission from one person to another, it is crucial to follow the advice and measures rolled out by health authorities to the letter. Leaving our houses needs to be only in case of great need. Close contact with one another should be as minimal as possible. Everyone must be responsible and do their part.







In the last 24 hours, a total of 378 inspections in Malta, and 34 inspections in Gozo, were carried out. 8 persons were found to have broken the law during these inspections, and were each fined €3000. Therefore, the number of fines that were issued by the authorities has now risen to 19. Once again, the appeal remains for each one of us to be responsible and follow the directives that the authorities are issuing.



Two establishments in Bahar iċ-Caghaq and in Ġnejna respectively, as well as a massage parlour in Buġibba, were caught breaking the rules for establishments to remain closed as part of an overall set of measures to contain the spread of Covid-19. Up till now, 1850 inspections have been carried out, 450 of which were carried out in the last 24 hours. In Gozo, 270 inspections were carried out, and no infringements were found. Establishments which are caught breaking the rules will face a €3000 fine for every time that they are caught in operation. Abuses are to be reported on 21692447.







Although schools are closed, the educational sector is still carrying on, although in a virtual way, with educators continuing their work through online learning. Educators have several tools at their disposal, including the website https://digitalliteracy.skola.edu.mt/ and the educational resources repository www.curriculum.gov.mt. By means of the www.curriculum.gov.mt and https://www.um.edu.mt/matsec/pastpapers/ websites, one can find past papers, marking schemes, and examiners' reports available. Later on this month, information on annual exams, the benchmark, as well as SEC exams and advanced and intermediary matriculation, will be given.



Cleansing and Maintenance employees are being employed round the clock in a hygiene operation of public places in various localities around Malta. This operation does not only cover the disinfection of streets, but also the washing of benches, rubbish bins, bus shelters, and bus terminus. Work is being concentrated where the largest number of people frequenting particular places would most be. These people are doing their part. Together, we can achieve more. Let us keep everywhere clean!







111 - For those who feel symptoms of COVID-19 or who wish further information

2204 2200 – For Maltese residents who were caught in one of the high-risk countries and wish to return to Malta

**21411 411** - For those in **mandatory quarantine** who require provisions of food and medicine

144 – For those who require information about the financial package for industries, businesses, and the self-employed

25981000 – For those who have questions about the educational sector and the impact of the coronavirus

**21692447**- For **hoteliers and tourists** who have questions about the announced measures.

**25903030** - For **elderly persons bereft of support** who need medicines, ready-made meals or food products (fruit and vegetables).

25469111 - For those who work in the gaming industry.