

Corona Protection Concept of the Global Music Academy GmbH

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In implementation of the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Measures Ordinance of the State of Berlin and the Hygiene Framework Concept of the Senate Department for Culture and Europe of 20.08.2021 and the Hygiene Framework Concept for fitness and dance studios, weight rooms and similar indoor sports facilities from 14.07.2021, this protection concept defines the hygiene and infection protection standards for teaching in presence.

- **Music lessons** (individual and group lessons) can take place indoors, provided that the number of participants is sufficient to ensure a minimum distance of 1.5 metres at all times.
- **Singing classes** (individual and group lessons) can take place indoors, provided that the number of participants is sufficient to ensure a minimum distance of 2 metres in all directions at all times.
- **Dance classes** may take place in enclosed rooms, provided that, taking into account the spatial conditions, the maximum possible total number of people present at the same time is not exceeded at any time, i.e. at least 5 square metres per person are guaranteed.

1. Distance rules

1.1 A minimum distance of 1.5 metres must be maintained at all times in all premises.

1.2 For vocals and wind instruments, a minimum distance of 2.0 metres must be ensured.

1.3 Group lessons and lessons with singing and wind instruments are only permitted in adequately sized rooms where teachers and participants can keep a sufficient distance.

1.4 The distance requirement of 1.5 metres (or 2.0 metres for singing and wind instruments) must also be observed outdoors.

2. Mandatory wearing of masks

2.1 When entering any part of the building (corridors, waiting areas and toilets) as well as all classrooms, an FFP-2 mask is mandatory.

2.2 A medical mask is required for children from the age of 6 to the age of 14.

2.3 As long as the necessary distance rules can be fully observed, masks may be removed during lessons for artistic and didactic reasons.

3. 3G Rule for participation in indoor classes

3.1 The following persons are allowed to participate in the classes:

- Persons who have been vaccinated, have recovered or have been tested (=3G Rule);
- Pupils who attend schools as defined by the Berlin School Act and institutions of the second educational path.

3.2 The 3G Rule does not apply to children up to the age of 6. In the case of dance and movement activities, the testing obligation does not apply to children up to and including 14 years of age if the activity is carried out in fixed groups of a maximum of 20 persons present plus one supervising person.

3.3 Proof of a current negative test result must be provided before the start of lessons by presenting a written or electronic certificate: either an antigen test (within the last 24 hours) or PCR test (not older than 48 hours). When attending classes more than twice a week, only two negative test results on non-consecutive days are required. The testing obligation does not apply to vaccinated and recovered persons according to the provisions of the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Measures Ordinance of the State of Berlin.

3.4 Teachers must provide evidence of a current negative test result twice a week. If the activity takes place on only one day of the week, only a negative test on the day of the activity is required. The testing obligation does not apply if the teachers are vaccinated or recovered according to the provisions of the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Measures Ordinance of the State of Berlin.

3.5 Staff members are entitled to free testing twice a week for infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus by means of a point-of-care (PoC) antigen test.

4. Attendance documentation

4.1 According to §5 of the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Measures Ordinance of the State of Berlin, attendance records must be kept for all visitors for contact tracing purposes. The attendance records must contain the following information:

- Participants of courses with a current contract: first name and surname, time of attendance, details of the test certificate (type of test, date of certificate).
- All other visitors (including trial lessons): name and surname, full address or e-mail, telephone number, time of attendance, details of test evidence (type of test, date of certificate).

4.2 The lists are to be kept by the teacher. Forms are available in the office.

4.3 Data will be kept for a period of four weeks and then destroyed.

5. Access rules

5.1 During lessons, only the teacher and the pupils (and, if necessary, an accompanying person) are allowed in the room at the same time.

5.2 During group lessons, all teachers and pupils must strictly observe the distance rules when entering and leaving the classroom.

5.3 Between lessons, break times (at least 15 minutes) are to be observed in order to maintain the required distance rules and minimise contacts.

5.4 The restrooms are to be entered only separately.

5.5 Persons who have had contact with a person suffering from SARS-CoV-2 in the last 14 days or who are themselves suffering from an upper respiratory tract infection are not allowed to enter.

6. Hygiene rules

6.1 Access to the classrooms is only permitted if the instructions on hand hygiene and sneezing and coughing etiquette are followed (no shaking hands; regular hand washing with soap and disposable towels; don't touch your face with your hands; do not cough or sneeze into the room or into your hands, but into the crook of the arm).

6.2 All persons must disinfect their hands when entering and leaving the classrooms. Disinfectant is available in permanently mounted dispensers (at entrances, exits and toilets).

6.3 Door handles, music stands and other frequently used objects are disinfected after each use or after each lesson by the teacher who last gave the lesson.

6.4 After each lesson, the teacher who gave the last lesson must air the respective classroom thoroughly (at least 15 minutes).

7. Use of instruments

7.1 The sharing of instruments or objects at the same time is to be avoided.

7.2 The sharing or passing on of wind instruments is not permitted.

7.3 During piano lessons, the required minimum distance is to be observed. Hand hygiene is to be observed before the start of playing.

8. Additional measures

8.1 Signs regarding hygiene regulations and distance rules are posted in the rooms.

8.2 The restrooms are equipped with sufficient soap and paper towels.

8.3 Cleaning in high traffic areas is increased, especially in the sanitary rooms.

9. Instruction

All teachers are to be instructed about the protection concept and must confirm that they have taken note of it by signing it.