
COVID-19 measures

Considering the evolution of the pandemic and the Omicron variant, COVID-19 measures have been changed

Labor Legal Flash

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- > Council of Ministers Resolution 2-A/2022 of January 7
 - > Decree Law 6-A/2022 of January 7



Changes to COVID-19 measures

Considering the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic and the seriousness of the Omicron variant, caution and prudence are required when implementing measures to prevent the epidemiological situation from worsening.

The Portuguese Government has decided to extend the application of certain measures already in force, while also adopting others through Decree Law 6-A/2022 of January 7 and Council of Ministers Resolution 2-A/2022 of January 7.

Because of their impact on labor aspects, we highlight the following points:

- > The mandatory use of the remote work regime, whenever the position and type of work can be carried out remotely, has been extended to January 14, 2022.
- > Following contact with SNS 24 (a telephone and online service of the Portuguese National Health Service) or through automated means, a temporary declaration of isolation will be issued to employees and freelancers in the social security general regime whenever there is (i) a risk situation that may trigger the assessment process, or (ii) any another circumstance requiring isolation under the rules established by the Directorate-General of Health (DGS). A temporary declaration of isolation is valid for seven days. The regime for preventive isolation applies to this situation.

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