

Using the NHS COVID Pass at an event in England as part of the Events Research Programme (ERP).

The NHS COVID Pass will allow individuals to demonstrate their COVID-19 status at a series of event trials in England. Home & Gift is part of the Government's Events Research Programme this summer. Therefore, if you are intending to visit the show, you will be asked to demonstrate your COVID-19 status when entering the event. It's quick and simple to demonstrate your COVID-19 status using the NHS COVID Pass. Using the NHS COVID Pass will help streamline your entry to your event and help you gain access quickly.

By downloading the NHS App onto your smartphone, you can use the NHS COVID Pass to show your vaccination or lateral flow test status to the registration staff as you enter your event. Alternatively you can download and show an offline version or print a copy of your status and show the printed version instead.

If you don't have access to a computer or smartphone, then you can order a copy of the NHS COVID Pass letter if you have been vaccinated by telephoning 119 but please note that the letter can take up to 5 working days to reach you.

To find out more about the NHS COVID Pass click here
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/demonstrating-your-covid-19-status>

There are three simple ways to access the NHS COVID Pass, but we advise that you do this BEFORE you attend the event.

To use the NHS COVID Pass

The NHS COVID Pass is available if you are registered with a GP in England and:

- have had a full course of the COVID-19 vaccine (a full course is currently 2 doses of any approved vaccine)
- have had your second dose of the vaccine at least 2 weeks ago
- were vaccinated in England
- are aged 16 or over

How to obtain the NHS COVID Pass

1. By downloading and registering for the NHS App (free to download from App stores)
2. Via the NHS website <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-pass/>
3. By requesting an NHS COVID Pass letter to be posted to you via the NHS website or 119

1. By downloading and registering for the NHS App

If you live in **England**, you can demonstrate your COVID-19 status via the NHS COVID Pass within the NHS App if you meet the vaccination criteria listed above or have logged a negative lateral flow test result in the last 48 hours: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

The NHS App is free but you do need to be registered with a GP in England to use the NHS App. You can access the NHS App on a mobile device such as a smartphone or tablet.

NHS App – Vaccination Status

If you are using your **vaccination status** to demonstrate your COVID-19 status, you can access your NHS COVID Pass whether or not you have verified your identity on the app. If you have **not** verified your identity, you **will still be able to get your NHS COVID Pass** (the screen that enables you to access your event) but will not be able to see a separate screen with your vaccination data (this screen is not needed to access Home & Gift). If you have registered and verified your identity you will be able to see both your NHS COVID Pass and your vaccination data.

NHS App – Negative Lateral Flow Test Result *valid for 48 hours only

If you are using your **negative lateral flow test result** to demonstrate your COVID-19 status, you can only access your NHS COVID Pass (the screen that enables you to access your event) if you have registered and verified your identity on the app. You should also log your lateral flow test results using the public reporting system <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>. It can take up to two hours for your results to appear within the App.

Please keep in mind you will need to download and register for the NHS App, and check your status BEFORE travelling to your event.

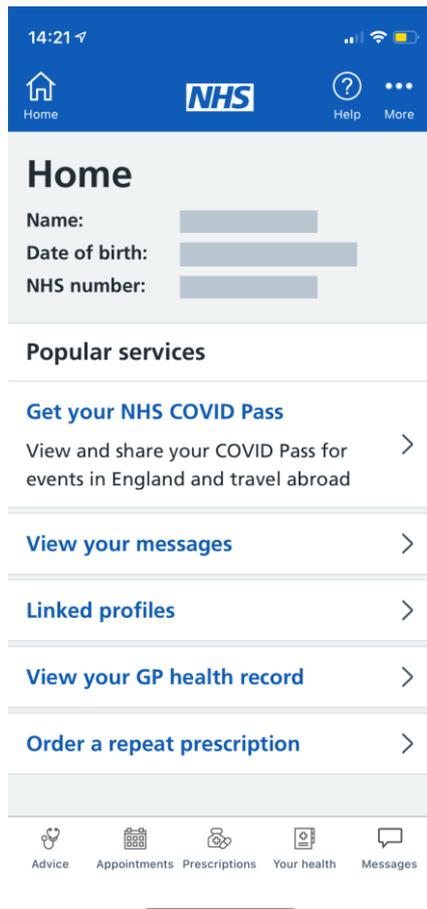
If you are looking to use a negative Lateral Flow Test result to access your NHS COVID Pass, you will need to have verified your identity in the App in addition to having registered for the app. The verification process may take up to seven days, although on average this is completed much quicker.

How to use the NHS COVID Pass on your smartphone or tablet

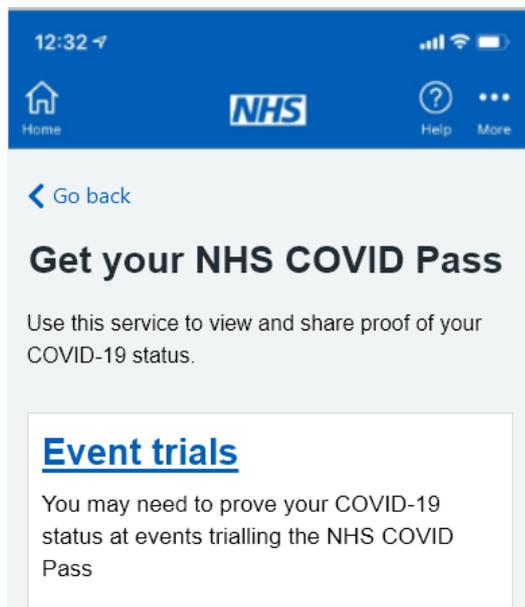
Download the free NHS App using the Google or Apple App store. Please note you will not be

charged for downloading the NHS App. Please note the  'NHS App' is different to the 'NHS COVID-19' App used to check into venues.

Once you have downloaded and registered for the NHS App, select "Get your NHS COVID Pass" on the homepage, see screenshot below.



Then select "Event trials", see screenshot below:



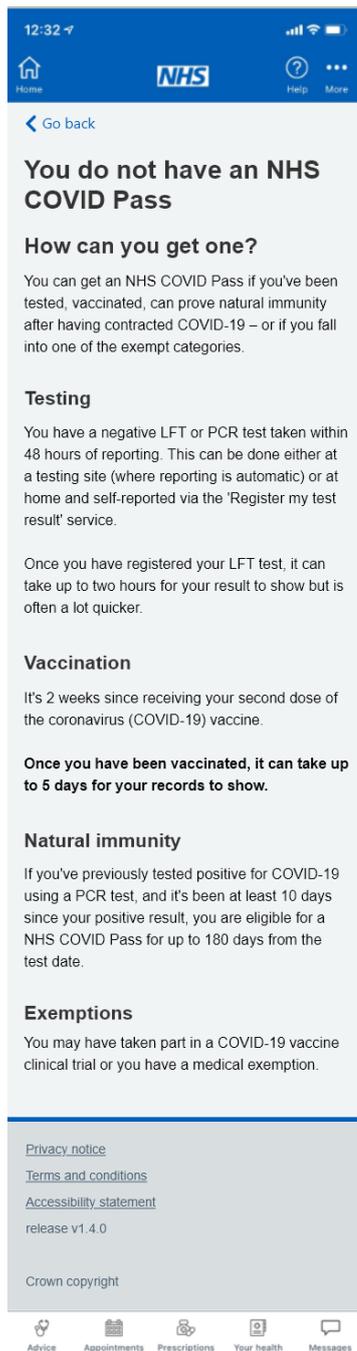
From there you will be able to see your COVID-19 status. If you have a valid COVID-19 status for the event you will see a screen which displays a 2D barcode and a green stripe confirming you have a valid status for entry saying "Valid in England".

Please ensure that you have checked the expiration date of your NHS COVID Pass before travelling to your event, as your Lateral Flow Test results are only valid for 48 hours.

You can download a PDF copy to your device in advance of the event or email yourself a copy. This PDF version, either on your device or printed, will be accepted for entry. We recommend that you print and bring along a PDF copy of your COVID-19 status when attending Home & Gift as wifi connectivity can be sporadic due to the setting.

The screenshot shows the NHS COVID Pass app interface. At the top, the status bar shows the time 12:32 and signal strength. The app header is blue with a home icon, the NHS logo, and help/more options. Below the header, there is a 'Go back' link. The user's name 'Colin Hyland' and date of birth '9 October 1984' are displayed. A prominent message states 'Your NHS COVID Pass expires 19 August 2021 5.30pm'. A large QR code is shown, with the URN 'URN:UVCI:01:GB:1623314537204P9YFXLI4#L' below it. A green bar at the bottom of the QR code area says 'Valid in England'. Below this, there are two buttons: 'Download PDF copy' and 'Receive a copy by email'. At the bottom of the screen, there are links for 'Privacy notice', 'Terms and conditions', and 'Accessibility statement', along with the text 'release v1.4.0' and 'Crown copyright'. The bottom navigation bar includes icons for Advice, Appointments, Prescriptions, Your health, and Messages.

If you do not see this screen as above, information will be displayed on how to get an NHS COVID Pass.



2. Access the NHS COVID Pass through the NHS website

You can view your COVID-19 status online and download or print it as a PDF document via the NHS website. To access the service, you'll need to register for an **NHS login** if you do not have one already. NHS login registrations may take longer than usual when there are high numbers of requests.

Access the NHS COVID Pass via the NHS website (Link <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-pass/>)

3. Request an NHS COVID Pass letter to be posted to you

Request a letter only if you:

- have been fully vaccinated by the NHS in England (you should wait 2 weeks after your second dose)
- are aged 16 or over

The letter will be sent to the address registered with your GP. If you have recently moved house, make sure you've given your new address to your GP practice before requesting a letter.

Please note that the NHS COVID Pass letter will only show your vaccination status and not the results of a lateral flow test.

The letter may take up to 5 working days to reach you, so ensure you order in good time before attending Home & Gift. You can order an NHS COVID Pass letter in two ways:

Request an NHS COVID Pass letter via the NHS website

You can ask for a letter by filling in a form online.

[Request a COVID Pass letter via the NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/covid-status-letter/)
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/covid-status-letter/>

Request an NHS COVID Pass letter by calling 119

If you do not have access to a smartphone, computer or tablet you can call 119 and ask for a letter to be posted to you. Lines may be busy so please allow sufficient time to make your telephone call.

SCOTLAND

If you live in **Scotland**, you can obtain your vaccination status [on this website](#).

WALES

If you live in **Wales**, you can request your vaccination status by following [these instructions](#). It can take up to ten working days for a certificate to arrive.

NORTHERN IRELAND

If you are coming from Northern Ireland you must supply paper proof of vaccination from your GP, or alternatively show a negative lateral flow test result.