

Breaking News: End of social distancing measure and mandatory quarantine in the Netherlands

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An important announcement was made by the Dutch government this Tuesday. As of Saturday 25 September, a further relaxation of Covid measures will take place in the Netherlands, including the elimination of the social distancing measure. As of Wednesday 22 September, fully vaccinated travelers coming out of very high-risk areas are exempt from the mandatory quarantine*.

As METSTRADE we welcome the further relaxation of measures for the entire industry. All necessary precautions to ensure a safe and responsible event for all attendees are maintained by METSTRADE in accordance with our exhibitors and suppliers.

Which measures are in place at METSTRADE 2021?

To summarize, the following measures apply for all events in the Netherlands as of 25 September:

- The EU Digital Covid Certificate (DCC) is used to gain entry to an event. This means a person is either fully vaccinated, has a valid [negative Covid test](#) or valid [proof of recovery](#) (valid paper version is also approved)*;
- A health check (triage questionnaire) is performed to gain entry to an event;
- At locations or fringe events where fixed seating applies, the full visitor capacity can be used;
- Events which last more than one day are allowed, provided the DCC is re-checked daily.

Niels Klarenbeek, Director METSTRADE comments: “The METSTRADE team welcomes yesterdays’ announcements made by the Dutch Government.

Our preparations for METSTRADE 2021 are well on track. With the latest news we are even more excited to bring back a safe and successful event. We can’t wait to welcome everyone in November!”

See you at METSTRADE 2021!

** This accounts for travelers who have received a vaccine approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) or a vaccine on the Emergency Use Listing of the World Health Organization (WHO). This list is found at the bottom of the following [website](#). Fully vaccinated travelers were already exempt from the travel ban.*

The logo for METSTRADE MARINE EQUIPMENT TRADE SHOW. It features the word 'METSTRADE' in a large, bold, blue font with a red triangle to the left of the 'M'. To the right, 'MARINE EQUIPMENT' and 'TRADE SHOW' are in a smaller blue font, and '16-17-18 NOV 2021' and 'AMSTERDAM' are in a red font below them.