SAFETY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

At Rafaelhoteles, we are working on the premise that hygiene is the best form of prevention.

**Our priorities** are our guests and our staff, who provide the most valued and intangible asset in our hotel chain: the service.

For this reason, and in order to reduce the risk of catching COVID-19, we have implemented a range of organisational, cleaning and disinfection measures with the advice of our Occupational Risk Prevention Service, as well as that of our Food Hygiene and Health Management System partner.

In addition to our usual cleaning standards, post-pandemic **preventive hygiene and safety measures** are being applied across different hotel areas and services in order to provide our guests with a safe stay and enable our employees to carry out their work in an optimal manner.

Please find below a detailed explanation of the areas and processes for your complete information:

**Reception and hotel check-in / check-out process:**

- **Visible floor markers showing a safe distance** leading to the reception desk.
- **Hydroalcoholic gel dispensers** at the reception desk.
- **Available for guests:** **masks, gloves and non-contact thermometer.**
- **Frequent cleaning and disinfection** with anti-viral solutions.

- Implementation in progress of **Paperless check-in** with a digital device.
- Developing of an **Online Check-In App** to minimise personal contact, streamlining the check-in process to prevent unnecessary waiting and also expanding communication channels with our guests to respond to all their needs more quickly.
Individual toiletry kits are provided, including personal hygiene items and hydroalcoholic gel.

Digital information about the services offered by each hotel, with opening hours and prices.

Using a credit card at check-out is recommended.

Key collection box at check-out for keys to be disinfected.

Access to floors, corridors and lifts:

Visible floor markers indicating the recommended social distance.

Signs regarding the use of each of the lifts by occupants of the same room, with QR information about the protocol and preventive hygiene and safety measures carried out by Rafaelhoteles.

Sharing a lift with other hotel guests is not recommended.

Hydroalcoholic gel dispenser at lifts on every floor.

Rooms

Seal / stamp on entrance doors showing that rooms have been sanitised following the Rafaelhoteles cleaning and disinfection protocol.

The manual cleaning and disinfection protocol is followed using kits containing chlorine- or alcohol-based cleaning products and disinfectant wipes, disposable cloths or textile materials, paying particular attention to items such as telephone, hangers, doorknobs and handles, taps, toilets, hair dryers, etc.

Anti-viral products approved by UNE-EN 14476 Standard are used according to the items being cleaned: textiles, floor, screen, taps or surfaces.

Rooms are ventilated during the cleaning process for proper air renewal (minimum of 10 minutes).

Decorative items, signs, magazines, room bins, bedding, etc. are removed to ensure proper hygienic safety according to the established cleaning procedure.

Bedding and towels are treated and washed at 60 degrees at an industrial laundry.

Remote controls are bagged for single use.

Rubbish and dirty clothing are removed in sealed bags, thus fully preventing contact with clean clothing.

Bathroom bins have a lid and double bag.

Restricted minibar beverage service due to its high risk and contact level.

Ozone is used in a controlled manner to enhance the room disinfecting protocol.

Dining and breakfast service

Hydroalcoholic gel dispenser at the entrance.

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- Furniture is adapted to the **recommended social distance**.
- Prior reservation, if necessary for the **correct control of the maximum capacity** allowed.
- Buffet breakfasts are replaced with **new assisted service options and presentation** to minimise the risk of contagion.
- **Communal items** (oil and vinegar cruets, salt and pepper shakers, drinks machines, sugar cubes, etc.) are replaced with single servings, and any decorative items are removed.
- **Crockery and cutlery is sanitised** by dishwasher.
- **Textiles** are treated and washed at 60 degrees at an industrial laundry.
- **The updated HACCP in the context of COVID-19** are complied with when cleaning and disinfecting the entire area and kitchen.

**Events and Celebrations**

- **Capacity** control is coordinated with the organiser, respecting the **minimum safe distances** between people upon arrival, during breaks, during food and drinks services, and at the end of the event.
- Timings are adapted and **recommended routes** are indicated, informing organisers to maintain the recommended social distancing during each event, bearing in mind that several can be held on the same day.
- The space where the event is being held is properly **ventilated** beforehand.
- **Using materials** such as notepads, propelling pencils or pens, sweets, coasters, etc. is **not** recommended.
- **Individual water bottles** will be put out as near to the start of the meeting as possible.
- **Catering services** are adapted in terms of space, presentation and format, prioritising outdoor spaces if possible.
- Recommendations and/or **specific regulations** adopted by the relevant authorities and/or organisations approved for this purpose are followed such as the use of the Customer Registration Data Form.

**Additional measures:**

- The current regulations are applied regarding the **compulsory use of masks** by guests.
- As we are committed to the safety of our team, daily disinfection of **uniforms** and work tools such as cleaning trolleys, vacuum cleaners, etc. is being carried out through controlled application of **ozone** in specific areas intended for this purpose.
- **Common areas** have been adapted and furniture has been relocated, in accordance with the new legislation, to help guests maintain the recommended social distance.
- **Periodic checking of the air conditioning system** is being increased, especially cleaning filters and grilles.
- Each hotel has a **health security officer** in charge of supervising the implementation of the contingency plan.
Individual members of staff are equipped with PPE in accordance with the recommendations for their jobs in the contingency plan.

All our staff meet the health requirements for work and have received training on detection protocols and on the action plan in case of guest or colleague health problems, as well as on preventive hygiene measures and the correct use of protective material.

Each hotel will have information on local healthcare facilities, fire brigade, local and national police, with opening hours and emergency telephone numbers.

These safety measures to prevent the spread of Covid-19 are subject to change, depending on the recommendations of the health authorities and/or regulations in this regard.

Due to the safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID19, certain food & beverage services, amenities and/or the facilities as gym may be limited or unavailable at some of our Hotels.

For any further information, please contact us at rafaelhoteles@rafaelhoteles.com