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This is a reminder that the Lake County state-operated Community Based Testing Site is available to all government employees. The site is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., or until 750 tests are completed each day. The testing site is located at **102 West Water Street, Waukegan**. **Testing is free and is available if you are symptomatic or asymptomatic.** Bring your City ID, a pay stub or we can provide a letter of employment from the City. <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/4435/COVID-19-Testing>

Who Can Be Tested

All individuals with symptoms

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- People in the following groups **with or without symptoms**:
 - Individuals exposed to confirmed COVID-19 cases
 - Individuals with compromised immune systems and/or chronic medical conditions
 - Healthcare workers
 - First responders
 - Employees of correctional facilities
 - Government employees
 - Employees who support critical infrastructure (grocery stores, pharmacies, restaurants, gas stations, public utilities, factories, childcare and sanitation)

Know Before You Go

Anyone who will be tested must be seated at a functioning window. Once you get in line at the CBTS, you will not be permitted to exit your car. For the safety of the testing personnel, the drive-thru sites will not be able to accommodate walk-up individuals. Individuals must arrive in a vehicle.

While this is a free service, you will be asked to show:

1. Photo identification and
2. Healthcare employee or first responder ID/badge, if applicable.

Due to the demand for this service, **we anticipate there could be significant wait times** associated with the drive-thru community-based testing site. Please be patient. If you are experiencing a medical emergency, you are urged to call your doctor or emergency department to seek immediate care and instructions.

For additional information related to COVID-19, please visit <https://www.dph.illinois.gov> You can also get your COVID-19 questions answered at any time of day by calling the COVID-19 hotline at 1-800-889-3931. You can also email your questions to DPH.Sick@Illinois.gov.

Other Testing Sites

Dozens of additional commercial testing sites are also available throughout Illinois, further adding to the state's testing capacity. For the most up-to-date list of these sites, visit <https://coronavirus.illinois.gov/s/testing-sites> where residents can also find information on eligibility for testing and contact information for each testing site. [Find testing sites available in Lake County.](#)