

Update NOGEPa dispensations d.d. 04-20-2021 ENG

Dear all,

From May 1st 2021, the regular dispensation rules for expired NOGEPa certificates will apply again.

However, after May 1st we will make 1 more corona-related exception, namely:

- Employees with a basic certificate;
- who, due to travel restrictions, cannot be in the Netherlands for a NOGEPa refresher training before their basic certificate expires;
- can receive dispensation for following the refresher training, up to a maximum of 3 months after the expiry date of the basic certificate

With this temporary exception, we want to accommodate employees who are not stationed in the Netherlands. We understand that 3 months does not always provide a solution. Yet that duration is the limit. Employees whose basic certificate expired 4 months ago will therefore have to follow the basic training, instead of the refresher training.

We hope to have informed you sufficiently.
Sincerely,

NOGEPa

Summary current state of affairs:

- Following NOGEPa training has been freely allowed again since March 2nd (taking into account the corona rules);
- Based on our extensive dispensation scheme (expanded due to the Dutch corona restrictions since 15/12/2020), refresher training can be followed until April 30th, 2021 on the basis of expired certificates (as communicated in previous letters);
- From May 1st, 2021 the normal dispensation rules will apply again: persons with a NOGEPa refresher certificate are eligible for dispensation up to a maximum of 3 months after the expiry date of the certificate. Trainers grant these dispensations independently;
- In addition to the regular dispensation rules that will apply again from May 1st, there is one more corona exception:
 - Employees with a basic certificate who, due to travel restrictions, cannot be in NL on time for the refresher training, can receive dispensation for refresher training up to 3 months after the expiry date of their basic certificate
 - Training centers will issue these dispensations;

- This exception applies until we communicate otherwise. The moment when travel restrictions no longer form a major obstacle will play an important role in ending this exception