

**Government Decree 501/2020 (14 November)**  
**on measures assisting families participating in digital education during the period of**  
**state of danger**

The Government,  
acting within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (2) of the Fundamental Law, having regard to section 51/A of Act CXXVIII of 2011 on disaster management and amending certain related Acts,  
acting, with respect to section 5, within its original legislative power laid down in Article 53 (3) of the Fundamental Law, on the basis of an authorisation by the National Assembly pursuant to section 2 (1) of Act CIX of 2020 on the containment of the second wave of the coronavirus pandemic,  
acting within its function laid down in Article 15 (1) of the Fundamental Law, decrees as follows:

**1. Provision of free access to internet**

**Section 1** (1) Eligible persons specified in paragraph (2) participating in public upbringing, vocational education and training, full-time upbringing and education and vocational education, having regard to their legal relationship with a secondary school operating in digital working arrangement outside of classroom introduced in accordance with the government decree on protective measures applicable during the period of state of danger shall have access to fixed-location internet access service (hereinafter “service”) for six times 30 days free of charge.

(1a) For the months of March, April and May 2021, the discount under paragraph (1) shall also be available for three times 30 days with regard to a legal relationship with a public upbringing institution providing primary upbringing and education.

(2) The following persons shall be eligible to access the service referred to in paragraph (1) free of charge:

*a)* a student with subscription or a statutory representative with a subscription for the student or a person whose subscription is used by an eligible student or the statutory representative of an eligible student based on a legal title serving as grounds for such use,

*b)* a teacher or instructor with subscription, or a person whose subscription is used by a teacher or instructor based on a legal title serving as grounds for such use  
(hereinafter jointly “eligible person”).

(3) Based on an access eligibility, the eligible person shall be entitled to access the service free of charge at only one location from among his domicile, place of residence or accommodation.

(4) An eligible person may notify a service provider within the meaning of the Act on electronic communications (hereinafter “the service provider”) of his intention to make use of the discount under paragraph (1) or (1a) by the date set out in section 28 of Government Decree 484/2020 (10 November) on the second phase of protective measures applicable during the period of state of danger (hereinafter “Government Decree 484/2020”).

**Section 2** (1) An eligible person shall be entitled to free service under section 1 (1)

*a)* in accordance with contractual terms and conditions in effect on the day before the date of entry into force of this Decree or

*b)* if entering into a new subscription contract.

(2) Eligibility to free service under section 1 (1) shall cease if any of the eligibility conditions under section 1 is no longer met.

(3) The service provider shall apply to the invoices issued the discounts under section 1 (1) and (1a) for the eligible person concerned by the end of the sixth month following the date set out in section 28 of Government Decree 484/2020 at the latest.

(4)

**Section 3** (1) The eligible person shall notify the service provider of his intention to access the free service, by electronic means if possible.

(2) The eligible person shall make a statement, bearing in mind his criminal liability, to the service provider that the conditions for accessing the service free of charge are met.

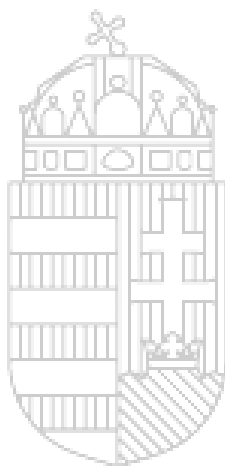
(3) A notification of intention before the month concerned shall grant eligibility for applying the discount for the following months until the legal conditions thereof are met by the entitled person concerned.

## 2. Final provisions

**Section 4** (1) With the exception specified in paragraph (2), this Decree shall enter into force on the day following its promulgation.

(2) Section 5 shall enter into force on the 15th day following the promulgation of this Decree.

### Section 5



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