



## Rowing during the Covid-19 pandemic: risk of cross infection from use of facilities, Risk Assessment

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020.

Hazard	Probability	Severity of Harm	Level of Risk	Control Measures	Residual Risk
<b>Access to the club</b>					
Contact with viral load via the touching of contaminated surfaces	3	4	12	<p>Members must sanitise hands before touching any surface and after use. Frequent and thorough hand washing promoted. Avoid touching your face / eyes / nose / mouth. Avoid physical contact and observe social distancing.</p> <p>Frequently cleaning and disinfecting, using appropriate products, objects and surfaces that are touched.</p> <p>Bring clean towels for hand and boat drying. They must be stored/carried in separate bag and not left at the rowing club or draped on club equipment</p>	5
Infection spread by contact with someone with symptoms.	3	4	12	<p>Members must not go to the club if they are showing any symptoms of COVID-19 or have been in contact with someone displaying symptoms before sessions.</p> <p><a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a></p>	6

				<p>Any club members that is clinically vulnerable(moderate risk) / extremely clinically vulnerable or living with someone who is extremely clinically vulnerable (high risk) should adhere to the guidance available <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/people-at-higher-risk-from-coronavirus/whos-at-higher-risk-from-coronavirus/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/people-at-higher-risk-from-coronavirus/whos-at-higher-risk-from-coronavirus/</a></p> <p>Any sneezes onto surfaces must be cleaned. Given the club access is limited to max two people at any one time, face coverings are not mandated. Requirement to tell the club if symptoms occur.</p>	
Infection spread through contact between households.	2	3	6	<p>Access at any one time is limited to four rowers plus two coaches (or six rowers if no coach required) through booking system,</p> <p>Access to clubhouse and indoor areas is limited.</p> <p>Members strictly adhering to timetable.</p> <p>Launch to be used by one driver at a time with no passenger (passenger from same household allowed) and touch points cleaned with soap and water afterwards (in particular the steering wheel and throttle). The captain to be notified of each use of the launch in order to maintain a record.</p> <p>Immediate reporting of any boat damage to Andy Taylor (07836 247450), who if necessary, will seek approval from the Captain &amp; Chair to access the club alone to make repairs. No use of any club tools by any member, personal rigger jiggers should be used to check rigging.</p> <p>Members to adhere to Government rules on social distancing and in addition to maintain a minimum 5 metre distance when in the slip stream of another boat. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing</a></p>	3

				Three ergos to be made available for use when the conditions do not allow a water session to go ahead. Ergos to be used outside only and placed a minimum of two metres apart on the landing stage. To be thoroughly cleaned after use.	
<b>Access to the water</b>					
Risk of capsize.	2	4	8	<p>Only scullers who are deemed “advanced competent scullers” will be allowed to row on their own without supervision. The current list will be reviewed and finalised by the Club Coaches then approved finally by the Captain.</p> <p>A system will be put in place, at the behest of the Rowing Committee, to assess those who want to be added to the initial competent sculler list</p> <p>All competent scullers have to complete personal risk assessment and agree to this risk assessment (including the requirement to have a named checking in contact).</p> <p>Competent scullers will need to agree to specific criteria listed by the club. This includes the fact that they cannot be rescued, that there is no Coaching, no launch.</p> <p>Scullers who are deemed “intermediate competent scullers” can only row when they are accompanied by at least one advanced competent sculler <b>or</b> a coach on the launch.</p> <p>Scullers who are deemed “novice scullers” can only row when they are accompanied by a coach on the launch and also an advanced competent sculler if deemed appropriate by the coach.</p> <p>A system will be put in place, at the behest of the rowing committee, to assess those who want to be added to the intermediate sculler list.</p>	5

				<p>The lead advanced competent sculler or coach to be responsible to assess the weather and river conditions for the session using a chart of red/amber/green criteria and will dictate if rowing should go ahead or not.</p> <p>Scullers to be advised to move together, in the same direction, maintaining social distancing.</p> <p>Scullers advised to ease themselves back into rowing without over exertion.</p>	
<b>Coaching</b>					
More than six members from different households at the club at any one time	3	3	9	<p>A maximum of four rowers and two coaches/support volunteers allowed at the club at any one time (maximum of 6 individuals – six rowers allowed if no coaches required). Coaching allowed for skill development only – not for training purposes.</p> <p>Social distancing booking app ensuring not more than 6 people are at the club at any one time.</p>	5
<b>Communication</b>					
Lack of clarity as to the expected behaviours of club members	3	3	9	<p>The risk assessment, plan and set of expected behaviours is clearly communicated to all members from the time members are able to start accessing equipment/facilities. Any changes to procedures are communicated as they come into place.</p> <p>All members agree to abide by the Club's code of conduct. Additionally all signed up members to the club plan understand that any breach in the conditions will result in sanctions.</p>	3
<b>Club Security</b>					
Access from people other than members	2	2	4	Dragon boaters and other sub clubs access to be arranged with the captain and shown on the booking system as appropriate.	2

				The gate lever and door handles, keypads for access, must be sprayed by members before use and after use.	
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			Probability				
			1	2	3	4	5
			Highly improbable	Improbable	Possible	Probable	Highly probable
Severity	1	Negligible	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
	2	Minor	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Substantial
	3	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable
	4	Major	Low	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable	Intolerable
	5	Extreme	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable	Intolerable	Intolerable