

# Risk Assessment for hosting British Rowing Masters Championships within the UK Coronavirus Guidelines.

The advice contained in this guide must be adhered to and is aligned to the UK Government and British Rowing guidelines for England. Details of these adjustments are outlined below:

As an organising committee we are taking every precaution to keep our competitors and volunteers safe considering the recent coronavirus outbreak. Therefore, certain adjustments to the running of the Competition have been put in place, in line with government guidelines, to keep competitors safe yet still allow racing to go ahead. In the lead up to the Competition, the current national and local COVID-19 situation will be constantly reviewed. The Competition will not run if deemed unsafe by the organising committee or if local restrictions do not permit. Anyone not adhering to these guidelines will be asked to leave.

**PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND THE COMPETITION IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19, ESPECIALLY A HIGH TEMPERATURE/ FEVER, A NEW AND PERSISTENT COUGH OR LOSS OF TASTE AND/OR SMELL. MEMBERS IN A VULNERABLE GROUP SHOULD ASSESS THEIR OWN RISK BEFORE ATTENDING COMPETITION. SPECTATORS WHO ARE NOT ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH CLUB LOGISTICS WILL BE ACTIVELY DISCOURAGED. THERE IS NO INDOOR REST AREA FOR ATTENDEES TO MAINTAIN COVID SECURITY**

General Details	
Assessor/s: Sam Simons (Covid Officer)	Date: 04/06/2021
Approver: Clive Pendry	Approval date: 04/06/2021
Description of Task Assessed: Risk assessment of the running of the British Rowing Masters Championships within current Covid-Guidelines	
Who will be involved? British Rowing and affiliated clubs	
What equipment will be used? Land and various indoor areas within NWSC NG12 2LU.	



Risk Matrix		Severity		
		Slight	Moderate	Extreme
Likelihood	Very Likely (VL)	Moderate	High	Very High
	Likely (L)	Moderate	Moderate	High
	Unlikely (U)	Low	Moderate	Moderate
	Very Unlikely (VU)	Low	Low	Low

Key:

Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ An acceptable level of risk.</li> <li>❖ No additional barriers/controls are required.</li> <li>❖ Start or continue the activity but check that the current barriers/controls remain effective.</li> </ul>
Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ An acceptable level of risk that should be reviewed.</li> <li>❖ Implement additional barriers/controls to reduce the risk if opportunities arise.</li> <li>❖ Start or continue the activity with care.</li> </ul>
High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ An unacceptable level of risk.</li> <li>❖ Improve the barriers/controls and allocate resources to reduce the risk.</li> <li>❖ Do not start or continue the activity until the risk has been reduced.</li> </ul>
Very High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ An unacceptable level of risk.</li> <li>❖ Improve the barriers/controls and allocate resources to reduce the risk.</li> <li>❖ Do not start or continue the activity until the risk has been reduced. Prohibit the activity if it is not possible to reduce the risk.</li> </ul>



Hazard identified	Risk from Hazard	Person/s at risk	Control measures put into place to reduce the hazard identified	Risk level when implementing control measures		
				Likelihood	Severity	Risk
1. Social distancing on the water	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, Coaches, Stake boats, Start team.	<p>Safety Launches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All volunteers will be equipped with, and will be using, appropriate PPE.</li> <li>Safety Marshals in safety launches should be from the same social bubble where possible. If this is not possible, social distancing will be adhered to through one person sitting at the front of a launch and one at the back.</li> <li>A plan as to who is marshalling will be agreed upon before the Competition to minimise the risk.</li> <li>A maximum of 4 people may carry a launch at any time.</li> <li>Umpires to not enact rescues unless critical</li> <li>Rescue disembark area to be ceremony pontoon</li> <li>Covid bags in all launches</li> </ul> <p>Competitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain at least 2 boat lengths distance when out on the water.</li> <li>In the Competition of a capsized athlete will be encouraged to try and get back into their boat, if it is safe to do so, or will be brought into the launch as per normal procedures.</li> <li>Replacement PPE will be provided to the launch crew.</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low



2. Social distancing on land	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, spectators.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Controlled, segregated and well signed areas for all separate parties involved on site</li> <li>• Cycling is not permitted anywhere on site</li> <li>• Where a 2m distance cannot be observed, a minimum distance of 1m will be observed with mitigations to help manage the transmission risk. There will be limited access to certain facilities/ equipment such as toilets and catering facilities.</li> <li>• Spectators will be actively discouraged across the whole Competition</li> <li>• Volunteers will remind groups of spectating attendees of current social distancing guidelines. Large groups will be reminded and asked to remain a suitable distance apart from other households/ social bubbles.</li> <li>• Control commission to be hands off</li> <li>• Competitors:</li> <li>• Information regarding boating location and the specific area competitors will be given for use during the day will be sent out to competitors prior to the Competition. This will ensure that competitors are suitably separated when on land, and gives people designated areas to rig their boats and wait for racing to begin. Strict timings and instructions for boating will also be distributed to ensure distancing</li> <li>• Barriers will be put in place to enforce distancing</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low
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3. Shared use of facilities	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, and spectators.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No indoor rest space for attendees</li> <li>• Max of 2 toilet occupants at any one time</li> <li>• Touch points cleaned every 2 hours deep cleaned every 4</li> <li>• Car sharing is discouraged for any attendees unless in the same bubble</li> <li>• Controlled access to sanitary facilities</li> <li>• Officials/ Volunteers who are required to use indoor areas will do so in a covid-secure manner</li> <li>• There will be no mixing of spaces between parties and this will be clearly demarcated where necessary</li> <li>• Gazebos are encouraged as indoor facilities is not available if inclement weather is present.</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate
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4. Shared use of equipment (launches, club blades, Club boats, bow numbers.)	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swapping of equipment will be discouraged and will be supplied to be kept all day</li> <li>Paperwork updates will be limited and shared digitally where possible</li> <li>Mitigation will be put in place where 2m cannot be maintained but 1m+ can</li> <li>Family bubbles to be utilized where possible when closer contact is required</li> <li>Controlled boating areas and storage solutions to be put in place to allow for social distancing measure for competitor equipment</li> <li>Paperwork to be only be printed and start and tower</li> <li>Same bow number to be used throughout the day for each entry.</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low
5. Catering facilities	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, and spectators.	<p>Volunteers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reusable flask/bottles to be encouraged to store hot/cold drinks for the day</li> <li>Sustenance to be provided en-masse with the anticipation for it to last all day and top up of supplies to be provided by mobile support</li> </ul> <p>Competitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Independent catering services to be present on site who will be responsible for their own covid security</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low
6. Maintaining hygiene	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, volunteers, coaches, And general public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Everyone visiting the site are encouraged to regularly wash their hands with soap and water provided. If this isn't possible then an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, can be used as a less effective alternative.</li> <li>Sanitizing stations to be available around the site</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low



7. First Aid	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, volunteers, coaches, And general public	To be completed in conjunction with FA supplier	Unlikely	Slight	Low
8. Test and trace	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19 and not having the correct details.	Competitors, volunteers, coaches, And general public.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QR code to displayed onsite ensure mass coverage</li> <li>• Encourage NHS Covid App Install</li> <li>• Use correct reporting procedures if symptoms develop within 48 hours of Competition</li> <li>• Crew to be withdrawn if unable to check in on the app or leave comprehensive details by Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June</li> </ul>	Very Unlikely	Slight	Low
9. Public	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, volunteers, coaches, And general public.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrict public access as far as possible across whole site with clear demarcation and signage. Marshals to be employed at key interfaces with different groups.</li> </ul>	Unlikely	Slight	Low