

Risk Assessment for hosting British Rowing Junior 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 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 HEADACHE, RUNNY NOSE, SNEEZING, SORE THROAT, OR LOSS OF SMELL. MEMBERS IN A VULNERABLE GROUP SHOULD ASSESS THEIR OWN RISK BEFORE ATTENDING COMPETITION. THERE IS NO INDOOR REST AREA FOR ATTENDEES TO MAINTAIN COVID SECURITY

General Details	
Assessor: Peter Boyes (Covid Officer)	Date: 08/06/2021
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Description of Task Assessed: Risk assessment of the running of the British Rowing Junior 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	<input type="checkbox"/> An acceptable level of risk. <input type="checkbox"/> No additional barriers/controls are required. <input type="checkbox"/> Start or continue the activity but check that the current barriers/controls remain effective.
Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> An acceptable level of risk that should be reviewed. <input type="checkbox"/> Implement additional barriers/controls to reduce the risk if opportunities arise. <input type="checkbox"/> Start or continue the activity with care.
High	<input type="checkbox"/> An unacceptable level of risk. <input type="checkbox"/> Improve the barriers/controls and allocate resources to reduce the risk. <input type="checkbox"/> Do not start or continue the activity until the risk has been reduced.
Very High	<input type="checkbox"/> An unacceptable level of risk. <input type="checkbox"/> Improve the barriers/controls and allocate resources to reduce the risk. <input type="checkbox"/> 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.

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. Proximity of people 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"> All volunteers will be equipped with, and will be using, appropriate PPE. 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. A plan as to who is marshalling will be agreed upon before the Competition to minimise the risk. Umpires to not enact rescues unless critical Rescue disembark area to be ceremony pontoon Covid bags/boxes in all launches <p>Competitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain at least 2 boat lengths distance when out on the water. In the event of a capsize athletes 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. Replacement PPE will be provided to the launch crew. 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate

2. Proximity of people on land	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, parents/care givers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings to be worn at all times indoors except when eating • All attendees will be expected to observe social distancing as per current government guidance. Where a 2m distance cannot be observed, a minimum distance of 1m will be observed with mitigations to help manage the transmission risk, mainly use of face coverings and maximising airflow such as open-sided gazebos. • Face covering to be worn outdoors when unable to maintain appropriate social distancing • There will be limited access to certain facilities/equipment such as toilets and catering facilities. There will be no access to changing facilities except for emergency. • Unfortunately at the current time, British Rowing guidance is that spectators should be discouraged from all rowing competitions. As this is a junior event, admission will only be allowed to coaches, support staff and parents/caregivers. • Signage and Officials/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 groups. • Control commission to be hands off. • Cycling is not permitted in boat marshalling area • 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. • Boating will be controlled with the 6-6-6 Method. 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate
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			<p>With 6 on the water 6 boating and 6 in the vicinity. This will all be controlled by strict boating times with no exceptions for lateness. Numbers subject to change based on entry and Competition timings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Award ceremony for medallists will be beside the finishing tower, there will be bronze, silver, and gold BR branded barriers for crews to take pictures with social distanced from each other. Medals will be given in envelopes and to crew bubbles separately, no podium for all three medals at the same time. • Grandstand seats outside the NWSC main building will be labelled reminding people to keep socially distanced and discouraging people from dwelling in the area. We will remind those using this area to be conscious of the need for self sanitisation. • Where there are duplicate marshals they will be socially distanced, and if unable to maintain 2m they will wear masks. 			
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3. Shared use of facilities	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, and parents/care givers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No indoor rest space for attendees • Max of 4 toilet occupants at any one time (NWSC Event Toilets), operating a 1 out 1 in policy and will have signage for queuing with social distancing and masks. • Single person portable toilets will also be hired for the event to reduce pressure on usual indoor facilities. These will be distributed around the site to reduce crowding and focus of people. • Touch points cleaned every 2 hours deep cleaned every 4 • Car sharing is discouraged for any attendees unless in the same bubble or take appropriate measures such as mask use and windows open • Controlled access to sanitary facilities • Officials/Volunteers who are required to use indoor areas will do so in a Covid-secure manner following NWSC policies, a one-way system will be in place to access and move around the main NWSC building for all attendees. This will be sign posted. • There is limited occupancy in the rooms within the NWSC main building (e.g. Regatta View Room), these and the corridors will have capacities signposted on/in them. • Accommodation keys for those using NWSC main building/Elms will be supplied in an envelope for collection on arrival (staggered) • Twin room use will be discouraged unless by people already in a secure bubble. • Breakfast/dinner in NWSC restaurant will only be available to those staying in NWSC accommodation, two sittings will be organised to relieve load on the room used for eating 	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"> Swapping of equipment (volunteers/officials) will be discouraged where possible. Sanitising materials will be provided at each station to enable equipment to be cleaned between uses. Paperwork updates will be limited and shared digitally where possible Mitigation will be put in place where 2m cannot be maintained but 1m+ can Family/social bubbles to be utilised where possible when closer contact is required Controlled boating areas and storage solutions to be put in place to allow for social distancing measure for competitor equipment Boat number collection buckets containing appropriately diluted disinfectant will be used on landing stages and at registration throughout the day 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate
5. Catering facilities	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches, and parents/care givers.	<p>Competitors/coaches/parents or caregivers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independent catering services to be present outdoors on site who will be responsible for their own Covid security <p>Volunteers/officials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above, independent catering services will be available outdoors Reusable flask/bottles to be encouraged to store hot/ cold drinks for the day, and people to be mindful of being independent on keeping them topped up 5l water bottles will be at key stations, there will also be 500ml water bottles available to hand out if needed. To avoid congregation of people wanting provisions, volunteer manager will deliver around the facility periodically throughout each day Food collection will be staggered to reduce large gatherings at peak times each day, 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate

			<p>bags of provisions will be put together for collection in the mornings to help individuals be as self sufficient as possible rather than frequent visits to food/equipment cabin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some meals will also be provided by the NWSC for those staying in accommodation during the event.			
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6. Maintaining hygiene	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone visiting the site encouraged to regularly wash their hands. Sanitising stations to be available around the site as well as hand washing facilities in all toilets available at the event 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate
7. First Aid	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, Volunteers, coaches.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contracted FA supplier will be responsible for their Covid security 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate
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"> QR code to be displayed onsite to ensure coverage, separate T&T QR code available each day Encourage NHS Covid App Install All attending site to complete self-declaration form online, as a junior event clubs will be expected to have a minimum of one representative complete the form as opposed to all competitors, this could be a nominated club covid officer or other appropriate person. 	Very Unlikely	Moderate	Low
9. Public Rights of Way	Person/s becoming infected with COVID-19.	Competitors, volunteers, coaches, And general public.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restricting public access as far as possible across whole site with clear demarcation and signage. Marshalls to be employed at key interfaces with different groups. 	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate