

**Risk Assessment** for dealing with the current Covid-19 situation in the Mens Shed. It is not likely to cover all scenarios and each member should consider their own unique circumstances.

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed	Controls Required	Additional Controls	Action by who?
<p><b>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Members</b></li> <li>• <b>Visitors to your premises</b></li> <li>• <b>Anyone else who physically comes in contact with the shed</b></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Hand washing/sanitising</u></b>            Hand washing facilities with soap and water if available or use Hand sanitising gel            Drying of hands with disposable paper towels.            Gel sanitisers will be provided where washing facilities are not available</p> <p><b><u>Cleaning</u></b>            Frequently cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces that are touched regularly particularly in areas of high use such as door handles, light switches, reception area using appropriate cleaning products and methods.</p> <p><b><u>Social Distancing</u></b>            Social Distancing -Reducing the number of persons in any work area to comply with the 2-metre (6.5 foot) gap recommended by the Public Health Agency</p> <p>Restrict the number of members in the shed at any one time to 7 (6 persons + 1 committee member). There will be a redesign of the bench layout to ensure social distancing in place.</p> <p>Conference calls to be used instead of face to face committee meetings.</p> <p><b><u>Wearing of Gloves</u></b>            Where Risk Assessment identifies wearing of gloves as a requirement of the job (solvents, pain etc), these will be required. Members will be instructed on how to remove gloves carefully to reduce contamination and how to dispose of them safely.</p>	<p>Members to be reminded on a regular basis to wash/ sanitise their hands. Also reminded to catch coughs and sneezes in tissues and to avoid touching face, eyes, nose or mouth with unclean hands.</p> <p>To help reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) reminding everyone of the public health advice - <a href="https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/news/covid-19-coronavirus">https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/news/covid-19-coronavirus</a></p> <p>Checks will be carried out by committee members to ensure that the necessary procedures are being followed.</p> <p>Members to be reminded of the importance of social distancing both in the shed and outside of it.</p> <p>Members to be reminded that wearing of gloves is not a substitute for good hand washing.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>Committee members</p> <p>All</p>

		<p><b><u>PPE</u></b>  PPE is a requirement for dust/fume risks associated with the work undertaken. The following measures will be followed</p> <p>A visual face fit test will be carried out to ensure the respiratory protective equipment (RPE) is fitted correctly.</p> <p><b><u>Symptoms of Covid-19</u></b>  If anyone becomes unwell with a new continuous cough or a high temperature in the shed they will be sent home and advised to follow the stay at home guidance.  Committee members will maintain regular contact with shed members during this time.</p> <p>If advised that if a member or visitor developed Covid-19 and were recently on our premises, the committee of the shed will contact the Public Health Authority to discuss the case, identify people who have been in contact with them and will take advice on any actions or precautions that should be taken.</p> <p><b><u>Mental Health</u></b>  Committee members will promote mental health &amp; wellbeing awareness to members during the Coronavirus outbreak and will offer whatever support they can to help</p> <p><b><u>Shed Access</u></b>  Shed members are requested not to use the communal facilities at the Brookside farm to reduce contact and potential contamination. Members are required to park cars in the designated spaces and walk directly to the shed. <b>No access to the toilets, kitchen or other farm facilities are allowed until further notice</b></p> <p><b><u>Eating and drinking</u></b>  The Shed will not provide and eating or drinking facilities until further notice. Members can bring their own drinks and snacks for personal consumption (no sharing of food or drinks). All drinks and food container must be removed from the shed at the end of the evening.</p>	<p>Face masks are to be provided and used only by the Shed Member</p> <p>Fit testers should not touch the other members mask and maintain a 2m distance</p> <p>Internal communication channels and cascading of messages through committee members will be carried out regularly to reassure and support shed members in a fast changing situation.</p> <p>Committee members will offer support to shed members who are affected by Coronavirus or has a family member affected.</p> <p>Regular communication of mental health information and open door policy for those who need additional support.</p> <p>Please park under the trees on the left and walk directly to the shed</p> <p>The committee member will dispose of any drinks or food left at the end of a n evening</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>Committee members</p> <p>Committee members</p> <p>Committee members</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>
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