

Top Tips Covid Risk Assessment.

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HELP!!

If you are struggling and need some help feel free to drop an email to any address below and they will support as far as they can,

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Communicate! The world is a scary place right now, so make sure you involve everyone your risk assessment may affect in the writing of it. That includes parents, leaders, helpers, GSL and execs. There are templates to help with this in the resources section.

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EMERGENCY. Your risk assessment needs to cover all situations. Make sure you think about how you will manage a first aid situation, whilst still managing the Covid risk.

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'I need a wee' As leaders in scouting we hear this a lot. That will not change because of Covid, so remember to think about how you will manage it. How will you access toilet facilities? Who will clean them? How often?

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"Have you washed your hands?" Thought you used to say this a lot? Well, you are going to be saying it even more now. Make sure you have provision to allow everyone to wash their hands regularly, in-line with government and NYA guidelines.

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Behaviour. We always want good behaviour but right now we as leaders need everyone to play their part. Make sure you include something in your risk assessment about getting everyone to follow the rules. What about a new code of conduct? Or have the young people outline their rules, with your guidance, before the first face-to-face.

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Not all Controls are equal. Some controls are better than others. This is known as the hierarchy of control. Try to focus your control measures on keeping people apart. PPE and handwashing are still control measures, but if you can stay apart do so as this is the most effective control for transmission.

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Be honest. When writing risk assessments, it is easy to forget the real world. Whatever you write as a control measure in the risk assessment you need to be able to do.

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Keep it Simple. Everyone needs to be able to understand what is in a risk assessment. Use plain simple English.

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Track and Trace. Your risk assessment needs to explain how you will store contact details for all those at a face-to-face scouting event.

Remember, GDPR still applies so make sure you look after that data as well.

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Restarting face-to-face scouting is hard. If you need help or feel uncomfortable with the risk, then stop and ask for help / support / guidance.

There is **NO** pressure to restart until you, your group, your fellow leaders, your parents and young people feel happy to.

There are some contact details on this leaflet which you can use for support or you can ask Scout HQ or your local teams and support networks.

We are a Scouting family and we can get through this by working together.