

19st Maidenhead Scout Group – Scout Local 3 hour Hike

Saturday 22nd August 10-13.30

Covid-19 restarting face to face Scouting risk assessment

The purpose of this risk assessment is to prepare for the restart of face to face Scouting under the COVID-19 guidelines, whilst still managing the risk and to put the right training interventions into the Scout programme so that Scouts learn how to manage risks themselves.



Name of Section or Activity	19 st Maidenhead Scouts	Date of risk assessment	28 th July 2020	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	Alison Berry and Martin Muckle	COVID-19 readiness level transition	Red to Amber
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Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How the risks are already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
COVID-19			
Maintaining social distance during the process of collecting equipment for the activity from the Scout stores: higher risk of infection spread if social distancing not maintained.	Leaders and other adults and Scouts	<p>No equipment required. Scouts will be asked to bring their own drink, snack and hand sanitiser.</p> <p>Copies of a paper map will be given to each Scout and they will take home afterwards.</p> <p>Scouts will need: sturdy walking shoes, rucksack for equipment, compass if they own one. After a weather check, provide waterproof jacket/ sunscreen and hat if needed. Scouts reminded to consider wearing long sleeve top and trousers if you are worried by stinging nettles.</p> <p>If the Scouts do not have the correct equipment they will need to go home with parents from drop off, as we cannot provide spares</p>	<p><i>Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change it...or even stop it! This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.</i></p>
Maintaining social distance at drop off and pick up: higher risk of infection	All group members	<p>Drop at the location TBC (definitely T0) from permit point of view.</p> <p>Parents will be told to drop one child at a time, who are meet by leaders and asked to stand in a socially distance space.</p>	

spread if social distancing not maintained.		No need for staggering of drop off times with this group size. Parents will be asked to remain in the car, unless they need to speak to leaders. All parents will have signed and agreed the consent agreement. Limit size of groups to 15 including adults.	
Maintaining social distance during meeting: higher risk of infection spread if social distancing not maintained.	All group members	We will limit group sizes to the maximum of 13 Scouts and 2 adults, with social distancing in place. We will continue to remind and encourage children to socially distance during the hike. On arrival the young people will be reminded of the social distancing rules that have been agreed with their parents/carers. Scouts who fail to follow the rules of social distancing, parents will be informed and asked to collect, if this behaviour is repeated more than twice.	
Young people stepping outside the social distancing agreed, increasing the chances of the virus spreading	All group members	Where a young person breaks the distancing, a leader should separate as soon as possible from their group. Those involved should then sanitise their hands. If this is a major breach of distancing eg: a bundle/fight, then the incident will need to be recorded by the leaders and the parents/carers should be informed. If the young person repeatedly breaks distancing they may not be allowed to return to face to face meetings for a period defined by the section leader and GSL/AGSL.	
Hygiene of people: higher risk of infection spread if proper hand washing not carried out.	All group members	All involved will be provided with hand sanitiser, on arrival, departure and during as required. Scouts will also be encouraged to bring and use their own.	
Hygiene of activity equipment: Higher risk of infection spread if hygiene not carried out.	All group members	A map will be provided for this activity, which will be a clean sheet of paper, each scout will take their own from a pile. Other equipment will be brought by the Scouts themselves (drinks, snacks, coat).	
Use of outdoor spaces: uneven ground, access to space less controlled, cannot be cleaned.	All group members	Controls could include: choice of location appropriate to activity, briefing to leaders and young people on boundaries, checks on the location ahead of use by leaders, hand sanitising for all participants.	
Hygiene of toilets: higher risk of infection spread if hygiene not carried out.	All group members	There are no toilets on the site. All group members attending who need to go will be directed to discreet locations in the bushes, and also need to sanitise hands afterwards. Parents are asked to remind young people to use the toilet before attending.	
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Depending on where?	All group members plus local residents	Reminders to keep socially distanced at drop off. Where parents drop off – keep socially distanced.	
Activity risks			
Minor accidents, scratches, falls or trips.	Scouts	<p>Leaders to carry first aid equipment, contact numbers for numbers and hand sanitiser. First aid equipment to include disposable gloves, aprons and masks.</p> <p>Parents will be asked to be available to collect should an incident occur and minor injuries are likely to be left for parents to deal with, despite leaders having protective equipment, if they need to deal with an injury. Parents must ensure your contact details are correct on OSM and they are contactable during the session (phones not on silent!).</p> <p>All children will be advised to wear long trousers and long sleeves to protect arms and legs if they are concerned about scratches and nettles.</p> <p>Enough adult supervision 2 adults to 13 children. Up to date information on OSM for allergies, contact details etc..</p>	
		We will be completing a circular walk in the area of around 10-15km.	
Review: This risk assessment is for a section to move from one COVID Readiness alert level to the next, an additional risk assessment should be produced for each move proposed.			

Checked by Line Manager	Name - Kim Nicholas Role - GSL 29th July 2020	Checked by Executive	Name, Andy Paw Role / level Chairman Date 29 July 2020
Approved by Commissioner	Name, Role / level Date	Approved by Executive	Name, Role / level Date
Notification of level change	Date and by who		

Additional information can be found in the [Safety Checklist for Leaders](#) and other information at scouts.org.uk/safety