

# 19<sup>st</sup> Maidenhead Scout Group – Scout kayaking with Engage

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 18.00

## 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 <sup>st</sup> Maidenhead Scouts	Date of risk assessment	28 <sup>th</sup> 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?
<b>COVID-19</b>			
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 Cubs	<p>No equipment required to be brought by the leaders.</p> <p>Engage watersports will clean all buoyancy aids and equipment that will be provided by them and touched by the Scouts.</p> <p>Scouts will need to arrive ready in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>swim kit (arrive ready to go, there are not changing rooms available at this time)</li> </ul> <p>They will also need to bring a</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>towel</li> <li>shoes you are happy to get wet in,</li> <li>rash vest or tee shirt</li> <li>and a pair of shorts or leggings to go over swimwear</li> </ul>	<p>Keep <b>checking</b> throughout the activity in case you need to change it...or even <b>stop</b> it! This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A wet suit if you have one or want to wear one – they will not be provided by Engage.</li> </ul> <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>	
Maintaining social distance at drop off and pick up: higher risk of infection spread if social distancing not maintained.	All group members	<p>Drop at the location for Engage, Taplow Lake. Parents will be advised to stay in their cars or can retire to the onsite café for viewing if they wish, socially distancing and at their own risk.</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> <p>No need for staggering of drop off times with this group size.</p> <p>All parents will have signed and agreed the consent agreement.</p> <p>Limit size of groups to 10 Scouts, leader supervision on the water is not required due to Engage staff being present.</p>	
Maintaining social distance during meeting: higher risk of infection spread if social distancing not maintained.	All group members	<p>We will limit group sizes to the maximum of 10 Scouts and 3 adults leaders, as Engage will also provide 2 adult instructors. This will mean the group size will not be over 15 at any time.</p> <p>We will continue to remind and encourage children to socially distance as they move around and use equipment on the water and on land.</p> <p>On arrival the young people will be reminded of the social distancing rules that have been agreed with their parents/carers.</p> <p>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.</p>	
Young people stepping outside the social distancing agreed, increasing the chances of the virus spreading	All group members	<p>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.</p>	
Hygiene of people: higher risk of infection spread if proper hand washing not carried out.	All group members	<p>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.</p>	

Hygiene of activity equipment: Higher risk of infection spread if hygiene not carried out.	All group members	Buoyancy aids and kayaks are the responsibility of Engage and they have a process to clean/sanitise all equipment after use.  All equipment will be sanitised, paddles and boats will be sprayed with disinfectant and buoyancy aids will be dipped in a diluted Milton solution after use.	
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 toilets on the site. We will rely on Engage policy, procedures and risk assessment regarding their use. No changing facilities to be used  All members need to sanitise hands afterwards. Parents are asked to remind young people to use the toilet before attending.	
Parents remaining on site to use café, impacting group size	All Group members	Parents will be reminded they must stay in café throughout the session if they choose to stay on site. Our group numbers cannot be increased.	
<b>TRANSPORT</b>			
Depending on where?	All group members plus local residents	Reminders to keep socially distanced at drop off.  Where parents drop off – keep socially distanced.	
<b>Activity risks</b>			
Minor accidents, drowning	Scouts	Leaders to carry first aid equipment, contact numbers for numbers and hand sanitiser. First aid equipment to include disposable gloves, aprons and masks.  Engage staff will also be qualified to deal with these incidents should they occur and would have the first responsibility.	

		<p>Parents will be asked to be available to collect should an incident occur.</p> <p>Minor injuries are likely to be left for parents to deal with, although leaders will have protective equipment, if they need to deal with an injury.</p> <p>Up to date information on OSM for allergies, contact details etc...</p>	
		<p>We need to call you if your child has a first aid incident so please ensure your contact details are correct on OSM and you are contactable during the session (phones not on silent!).</p>	
<p><b>Review:</b> 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.</p>			

<b>Checked by Line Manager</b>	Name - Kim Nicholas Role - GSL 27th July 2020	<b>Checked by Executive</b>	Name, Andy Paw Role / level Chairman Date 27 July 2020
<b>Approved by Commissioner</b>	Name, Role / level Date	<b>Approved by Executive</b>	Name, Role / level Date
<b>Notification of level change</b>	Date and by who		

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

