



<b>NKC COVID-19 Risk Assessment</b>			
<b>Location: NKC Facility/Home Waters/Trips</b>		<b>Assessed by: Michael Quinn</b>	<b>Date: 18/02/2022</b>
<b>What are the hazards?</b>	<b>To who?</b>	<b>Is the risk adequately controlled and how?</b>	<b>What further action is necessary?</b>
<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Communication of Information	All paddlers, Bank-based helpers	Members to receive information in advance of attending Club sessions to enable them to prepare properly to follow any change in Club Protocols as a result of change in British Canoeing or Government Guidance.  Currently members/non-members are requested not to attend club sessions/events if they have tested positive for coronavirus or are displaying coronavirus symptoms (raised temperature, persistent cough, loss of taste or smell).  Appropriate signage will be erected at the entrance to/within the Nomad Site.  <b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b>	Review and update should new guidance be issued.
<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Social Distancing	All paddlers, Bank-based helpers	Although no longer a legal requirement. Members/non-members are requested to be socially responsible and respectful of the wishes of others when it comes to social distancing. If an individual is wearing a face covering and you want to interact with them you should remain socially distant or wear a face covering yourself.  <b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b>	None
<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Hand Washing/Hygiene	All paddlers, Bank-based helpers	Maintain good hygiene, wash hands regularly with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds. Make use of BLYM 'Wet Zone' changing facility.  Alcohol based hand sanitiser to be readily available at the Nomad Site and when away on trips.  <b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b>	None



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<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Access to Facility Buildings	All paddlers, Bank-based helpers	<p><b>NKC Clubhouse</b> – Although all changing rooms are now open, we would recommend that members still continue to arrive changed and ready to go on the water. The NKC clubhouse will be used as a dry changing room going forward i.e. before sessions, and for storage of bags whilst on the water. Should members leave valuables in their bags, they do so at their own risk. Members are therefore advised to bring a dry bag and take valuables on the water with them.</p> <p>Note: Ventilation to the clubhouse has been improved through the addition of additional air vents. Prior to and after members take to the water, the clubhouse door will remain open to enhance ventilation.</p> <p><b>BLYM ‘Wet Zone’ Changing Facility</b> – As the name suggests this is where we now get changed after club sessions. Routine cleaning will be carried out by BLYM.</p> <p><b>Toilets</b> – BLYM external toilet facilities are available for use 24hrs a day. Additional toilets located within the BLYM ‘Wet Zone’ are only available when the changing rooms are open. Routine cleaning will be carried out by BLYM.</p> <p><b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b></p>	All Nomad session leaders to be issued with pink access key for BLYM ‘Wet Zone’ changing facility
<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Equipment	All paddlers	<p>Kayaks &amp; Paddles no longer need to be cleaned and disinfected at the end of each session.</p> <p>Members are still asked to dunk (wash/disinfect) club buoyancy aids, helmets, spray decks and spray tops in the barrels provided.</p> <p><b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b></p>	



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<b>Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus</b> – On the water safety	All paddlers	Members/non-members are requested to be socially responsible and respectful the wishes of others when it comes to social distancing.  The restriction on paddling well within one’s capabilities has been removed.  Wet rescues are now permitted although in the colder months you might want to try and stay in your boat!  <b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b>	None
<b>Spread of COVID-19 coronavirus</b> – Injury Treatment	First Aiders	Injuries should still be treated, as participant safety is of the utmost importance. First Aiders should take care to protect themselves and others through rigorous cleaning and personal hygiene.  Wearing face coverings is recommended for both First Aiders and casualties, where this is possible and practical. After contact with an injured participant, First Aiders should clean their hands thoroughly with soap and water or hand sanitiser at the earliest opportunity. This is applicable to all situations, regardless of whether there was close contact or minimal social distancing was maintained.  For test and trace purposes the club will keep a record of any close contact between First Aiders and injured participants.  <b>Is risk adequately controlled: yes</b>	None