

School swimming risk assessment

Name of Centre	Worcester Swimming Club	Venue:	Perdiswell Leisure Centre
Date risk assessment carried out:	28/08/20	Person:	Rob Tyler
		Review date:	04/09/20

This risk assessment must be read, agreed and signed before the first school swimming lesson takes place.

The Covid19 designated officer is Chloe Allaway (swim school manager), Chloe, will coordinate any changes to the schools and will be the point of contact for schools.

What is the Hazard?	Who might be harmed	Risk rating before controls	Controls considered	Risk rating after controls	Actioned by
Entrance, changing and exit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children Staff Guardians 	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The entry point for school swimming will be through the main pool fire exit, adjacent to the parent and toddler car park. The fire exit will be opened 5 minutes before the start of the lesson. All children must arrive for their lesson 'beach ready' (swim costume on underneath clothes). There will be a one way system in place which must be followed. Children to leave bags on the poolside seats whilst the lesson is taking place. Following the lesson children and staff will 	Low	Freedom Leisure

			<p>enter the changing rooms. We will allocate the Group changing and the changing room cubicles on the left hand side, it will be down to the school staff to ensure the children remain socially distanced.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once the children are changed, they will exit via the fire exit in the changing village. The fire exit must only be used when the school is ready to leave. • The fire exit must be fully closed as soon as the school group has left. • School children and staff will then follow the patch around to the coach collection point. 		
On poolside and in the pool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children, staff. 	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifeguarding ratios will continue as per our normal operating procedures. • When delivering swimming lessons swimming teachers that are external to a school bubble should adhere to government guidance on social distancing. 	Medium	Freedom Leisure

			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School teachers and teaching assistants that are internal to the bubble can mirror the same procedures through swimming lessons as they do in the classroom.• Swim instructors will give a safety briefing to all groups at the beginning of each session. This will include key information such as behaviour in the pool, use of equipment, entry and exit points and any other changes.• The school will be responsible for keeping a register for track and trace.• Swim instructors will teach from poolside.• No physical contact will be permitted between swim instructor and student, unless in the event of an emergency.• Freedom Leisure swim instructors will adhere to social distancing guidelines, set at the recommended 2m, as per government guidance.		
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			<p>consider their teaching position to ensure social distancing can be maintained, this also applies to walking around the perimeter of the pool.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will be asked to exit the pool over the edge of the wall, rather than using the steps. Where this might not be possible (weak swimmers, special needs, steps will be available).• 2m zone marks are in place at the side of the main pool on each side. It won't always be possible to keep students 2m apart in the water, however, the risk will be low due to the fact students are swimming in chlorine disinfectant and are likely to pass each other very quickly, therefore there will be no close contact for an extended period.• Swim instructors to reduce the amount of equipment used, to avoid any cross contamination.		
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