Glenearn Badminton Club Risk Assessment – COVID-19, from 30 August 2021

Introduction

This risk assessment is designed to keep participants in our sessions safe, while managing the risk of COVID-19. We have successfully operated during the COVID-19 pandemic through to August 2021 without any COVID-19 incidents attributed to the Club's activities. With most COVID-19 restrictions removed in Scotland for August 2021, this document reflects our updated risk assessment.

The Club's COVID-19 Officer is responsible for ensuring that this risk assessment remains up-to-date and is in line with applicable Government and Badminton Scotland guidance.

The COVID-19 pandemic poses a serious risk to individuals. We have undertaken this risk assessment and identified the control measures to reduce the risk in the context of our club sessions.

This risk assessment is not intended to replace the Club's pre COVID-19 risk assessment, but rather it is intended to complement it. This risk assessment is specifically to cover Club adult and junior sessions from 30 August 2021.

This risk assessment focuses on the health and safety of the Club and its members in the context of COVID-19. It encompasses the activities we carry out, the equipment we use as a club and the activities and equipment we provide to members and visitors. It helps us to assess and control the risk of accidents or injuries to everyone involved in the Club and its members/visitors. The focus of this document is on health and safety risks and this document is not intended to be a risk register that sets out and assesses all the significant risks that may affect the running and sustainability of the Club, whether COVID-19 related or otherwise.

Glenearn Badminton Club: COVID-19 Risk Assessment Form

Session:	Club nights at Perth College UHI for players aged 9 and over	**Date Completed:**	18 August 2021
Venue:	Academy of Sport & Wellbeing, Perth College UHI	**Completed by:**	Ross Paterson
COVID-19 Officer:	Ross Paterson		

What is the Hazard?	Who might be harmed	Action Taken	Risk rating after controls (Low, Medium, High)	Actioned by
Risk of COVID-19 transmission due to lack of social distancing	Players and volunteers	• The sports hall at Perth College UHI is spacious with badminton courts will spaced out. We have the use of all six courts and we expect to be able to maintain appropriate distancing in light of that. • We have established a cap on the number of participants who will be permitted to attend any club session. The cap is the lower of: (a) 36 and (b) six times the number of available courts. So, where we have six available courts, the maximum number of players will be 36. • However, the caps will be over-ridden by any applicable Government regulations and Government / Badminton Scotland guidance requiring a lower limit on participant numbers. • Given that we now have greater capacity, we will no longer require pre-booking for our sessions. We do not expect to hit the cap but, if we do, admittance to sessions will be on a first come, first served basis. • During breaks, players must maintain a minimum 2m distancing from those not in their household, and continue to maintain good hand hygiene by regularly and effectively washing/sanitizing hands wherever possible. • Due to the nature of doubles discipline, there should be very limited occasions where players would need to be face-to-face with each other. Where this does happen, such as at the net, this would be kept to a minimum (i.e. not prolonged) • No bodily contact, including handshakes and high fives, is permitted at club sessions.	LOW	Ross Paterson

What is the Hazard?	Who might be harmed	Action Taken	Risk rating after controls (Low, Medium, High)	Actioned by
Risk of COVID-19 transmission due to lack of social distancing (continued)	Players and volunteers (continued)	• Participants at club sessions are not permitted to shout or unduly raise their voices because of the potential for increased risk of COVID-19 transmission through small droplets. • No gatherings involving participants in club sessions is permitted before or after those sessions. • No-one who has had COVID-19 symptoms (cough, fever, taste or smell) in the preceding 10 days or a member of whose household has had symptoms in the preceding 14 days may attend a club session. https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/ • If a participant becomes unwell at a club session, he or she should go home immediately and visit the NHS Scotland Self Help Guide and request a COVID-19 test.		

What is the Hazard?	Who might be harmed	Action Taken	Risk rating after controls (Low, Medium, High)	Actioned by
Risk of COVID-19 transmission from sharing equipment during sessions	Players and volunteers	• Any participant in a club session will be required to bring their own racket, sportswear and drink. • Participants at club sessions are not allowed to share equipment, except shuttles. • Players must only use their own racket(s). The Club's rackets will not available for use if necessary but will be sanitised before and after use. • Sharing of shuttles – players are required to have thoroughly washed their hands (in accordance with Government guidance) or use hand sanitiser immediately before and after play. Hand sanitising stations are available throughout the Academy of Sport & Wellbeing for participants to use. • Participants at club sessions are not allowed to share drinks, drink containers or food. • Equipment bags must be stored behind the player's playing court and at least two metres from the court and any other players. • All participants must take all their belongings with them at the end of each session. • Participants should not to use/touch equipment such as nets, posts or floor mops.	LOW	Ross Paterson

What is the Hazard?	Who might be harmed	Action Taken	Risk rating after controls (Low, Medium, High)	Actioned by
Risk of COVID-19 transmission on arriving at or leaving sessions	Players, volunteers and others in the venue	• The Academy of Sport & Wellbeing has designated entries and exits to the building, as well as safe routes, to minimise contact between individuals in the facility. • Participants should arrive neither too early nor too late for club sessions. • Participants will be required to wear face coverings when entering and leaving the Academy of Sport & Wellbeing but will not be required to wear face coverings in the Sports Hall. • Participants should use the hand sanitiser provided on arriving at the venue and before leaving the venue.	LOW	Ross Paterson
Increased risk to participants with underlying medical conditions and BAME groups	Players and volunteers	• Risk Assessment information will be shared with club members to allow participants with underlying medical conditions and BAME participants to make informed choices about whether to attend a club session.	LOW	Ross Paterson
Risk of COVID-19 transmission on travelling to club sessions	Players, volunteers and members of the public	• Participants travelling to a club session by car must follow Scottish Government guidelines. • Participants travelling to a club session by public transport must ensure that face coverings are worn when using public transport.	LOW	Ross Paterson

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Risk of COVID-19 cross infection through poor hygiene	Players, volunteers, venue staff and other users of the venue	• Hand sanitiser stations are available throughout the Academy of Sport & Wellbeing. Players should regularly sanitise their hands during each session. • Shuttlecocks will not be used for 72 hours after each session. • First Aiders must wash their hands and arms before (during, if necessary) and after dealing with a first aid situation. • First Aiders must wear appropriate protective clothing (e.g. gloves) and ensure its safe disposal or cleaning. • First Aiders must avoid hand-mouth or hand-eye contact. • Equipment will be disinfected after any first aid incident.	LOW	Ross Paterson

Risk of COVID-19 transmission during provision of first aid	Players, volunteers and venue staff	• The Academy of Sport & Wellbeing has a qualified first aider available during club sessions.
		• Any first aid treatment will be via participant self-management, with the First Aider maintaining social distancing always unless contact is deemed necessary based on a significant risk to the participant being left to self-manage.
		• Patient to be given a face mask to wear during treatment.
		• If contact is necessary, the First Aider will ensure he or she wears adequate PPE equipment as per Government Guidelines.
		• An Accident & Incident Report Form will be completed for any First Aid incident. The form should not be handed between individuals.
		• The following equipment/PPE will be provided for the First Aider:
		  ○ Protective medical Gloves
		  ○ Face masks for general first aid.
			LOW	Ross Paterson

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Risk of COVID-19 transmission due to handling of cash	Players and volunteers	• Participants will be encouraged to pay in advance of each session by bank transfer, or by card at each session. Cash payments will be accepted though. Payers will be asked to deposit cash in a tube to reduce handling by the receiver. • A card reader and account has been purchased to facilitate card payment. • Card payment should be contactless wherever possible to minimise the need for participants to touch the card reader. • The individual paying by card and the Club official collecting payment should remain at least two metres apart during the payment process.	LOW	Ross Paterson
Risk of COVID-19 contracted at a Club session then being spread to the wider community	Players, volunteers and the general public	• The Club will follow appropriate "Test and Protect" arrangements. • All participants at club sessions will be required to provide their contact details (name, phone number, session attended). • The Club will retain details of those who attended a club session for at least 21 days following the relevant session. • It is not the responsibility of the Club to inform members if someone has tested positive for COVID-19. This will be done by the NHS Scotland Test & Protect team. An individual's right to privacy must be observed.	LOW	Ross Paterson
		In addition to the above, at the discretion of the Committee, willful or repeated violation of the requirements by a participant will result in that participant being excluded from subsequent club sessions.		