

Risk Assessment

Summary

Reference: RA003342/4

Sign-off Status: Approved

Date Created: 22/07/2021	Confidential? No
Assessment Title: COVID-19 Coronavirus COSHH Assessment	
Assessment Outline: Assessment to consider the COVID-19 risks to our staff.	
Area Responsible (for management of risks)	Location of Risks Off-Site
Directorate: All directorates	Site:
Department: All Departments	Area:
Team: All Teams	Dept/Area:
Further Location Information:	Risks are relevant to all areas of the business undertaking the usual activities.
RISK_HE_FORMA_COUNTRYLABEL:	RISK_HE_FORMA_COUNTRY_HEADER UNITED KINGDOM
Assessment Start Date: 30/07/2021	Review or End Date: 30/07/2022
Relevant Attachments:	
Description of attachments:	
Location of non-electronic documents:	
Assessor(s): Hunt, Jacqui	
Line Manager: Jacqui Hunt	
Reason fo Review	
Type: Periodic Review	
Reason: Revised for restrictions easing	
Signed Off: Jacqui Hunt (30/07/2021 12:46)	

PEOPLE AT RISK (from the Activities covered by this Risk Assessment)
CATEGORY
Employees
Contractors
Members of the Public
Visitors
Disabled Persons
Inexperienced Workers/Trainees
Women of Child-bearing Age
Young Persons

Who Made By	Date/Time Received	Comments
Hunt, Jacqui	22/07/2021	Revised government guidance (restrictions eased)

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COSHH Assessment - COVID-19

Substance Name:	SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) virus?		
Method of Use:	Exposure to contaminated surfaces and with other persons carrying the infection. Biological material Indirect exposure. COVID-19 is transmitted by inhalation or ingestion, likely to be spread by: Respirable Droplet: By coughing and sneezing and aerosol droplets being inhaled etc Airborne: Fine droplets may stay in the air longer and spread the infection without close contact Contact: By hand to face/mouth/nose/eye contact after touching a person, surface, or object contaminated with respiratory droplets?		
Quantity Used	Not known?		
State:	Liquid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Powder <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Paste <input type="checkbox"/>	Solid <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Gas <input type="checkbox"/>		



HAZARD INFORMATION

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Hazards Applicable: (as ticked)	 Irritant <input type="checkbox"/>	 Corrosive <input type="checkbox"/>	 Harmful <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	 Flammable <input type="checkbox"/>	 Toxic <input type="checkbox"/>	 Mutagenic <input type="checkbox"/>
	 Carcinogenic <input type="checkbox"/>	 Tetrogenic <input type="checkbox"/>	 Environment <input type="checkbox"/>

Hazard (H) Statements: (from Safety Data Sheet)	?	Precautionary (P) Statements: (from Safety Data Sheet)	?
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Workplace Exposure Limits	Not known?
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PPE Required: (as ticked)	 Boots/Shoes <input type="checkbox"/>	 Clothing <input type="checkbox"/>	 Gloves <input type="checkbox"/>
	 Eye Protection <input type="checkbox"/>	 Face Protection <input type="checkbox"/>	 Respiratory Protection <input type="checkbox"/>

EXPOSURE

Persons Exposed:	Should an employee be exposed to a known source of the virus, they should self monitor for signs of symptoms (dry cough, high temperature, loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)). If these symptoms develop, however mild, immediately self-isolate stay at home for at least 10 days from when your symptoms started. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19 you should arrange a test (https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test), or contact NHS 119 via telephone, and follow the instructions provided.?
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Frequency of Exposure:	Not known?	Duration of Exposure:	Not known?
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Routes of Entry: (as ticked)	Absorption	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Inhalation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ingestion	<input type="checkbox"/>

Persons at Risk (as ticked)	Employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Visitors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Others at location	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Contractors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Children 0-16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Young Persons 16-18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	New or Expectant Mothers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Others off-site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CONTROLS

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Current Risk Controls:
(e.g Administration, PPE, Engineering)

Apply the recommended precautions. Practice high standards of personal hygiene, before, during and after entering premises. Hand wash regularly, using the provided hand washing kits or facilities in the property if they are hygienically safe to do so. Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (or use a hand sanitiser) when you get home or into work, entering or leaving residents homes, when you blow your nose, sneeze or cough, eat, handle food, drink or smoke. Avoid high touch points where possible (intercoms, door handles, handrails etc.) as the virus may survive days on hard surfaces. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Where possible ensure the premises is well ventilated. Work wear, must be changed and laundered daily. Maintain a distance from other staff members, tenants and members of the public wherever possible, including while arriving at and departing from work, while in work, and when travelling between sites. Do not enter properties with confirmed cases of COVID-19 or if occupants are self isolating. Only trained staff with appropriate PPE can enter properties with confirmed or suspected cases to undertake emergency works only. PPE - suitable close fitting mask, full disposable coveralls, nitrile or chemical resistant gloves. Maintain regular cleaning of surfaces, work areas and equipment between uses, particularly surfaces that people touch regularly, are in busy areas and for hygiene areas, such as WCs.?

Risk level with current controls:

Moderate

Likelihood

- 1 - Reasonable control measures are in place but they do rely on a person using them (some room for human error). Controls unlikely to breakdown. People are not often in this area / do not often engage in this activity / this situation is unlikely.
- 2 - Inadequate controls are in place, or likely to breakdown if not maintained. Controls rely on personal compliance. People are sometimes in this area or sometimes engage in this activity / this situation sometimes arises.
- 3 - Poor controls in place. Heavy reliance on personal compliance (lots of room for human error). People are often in this area / engage in this activity on a regular basis / this situation often arises.

Likelihood

Severity	1	2	3
	2	4	6
	3	6	9

Risk Level

- LOW: 1-2
- MEDIUM: 3-4
- HIGH: 6
- VERY HIGH: 9

Severity

- 1 - Minor injuries or health effects - cuts, bruises, mild skin irritation, mild aches and pains - requiring first aid only. Minor property damage or disruption to work.
- 2 - More serious injuries or ill-health requiring time off work or a hospital visit, e.g. burns, sprains, strains and short-term musculoskeletal disorders, cuts requiring stitches, back injuries, fractures to fingers or toes. More serious property damage or disruption.
- 3 - Broken limbs, amputations, long-term health problems or absence resulting from work. Acute illness requiring medical treatment. Loss of consciousness, serious electric shock, loss of sight. Major property damage, major disruption to work. Injury or ill-health which leads to death either at the time

Emergency arrangements:
(e.g Spills, Fire, Environment)

First aid - Report all accidental exposures. Seek medical attention through the NHS testing arrangements (<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>) after any accidental exposure. People involved in the provision of assistance to others during an emergency situation should pay particular attention to cleaning and personal hygiene measures immediately afterwards, including washing hands.?

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Is existing first aid cover acceptable?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> ? No? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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Environmental Hazards, Disposal and Storage:	?
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Information, Instruction and Training:	?
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Is exposure monitoring required?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ? No? <input type="checkbox"/>		
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Is health surveillance required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> ? No? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
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Is disposal through chemical waste route required?	Yes? <input type="checkbox"/> ? No? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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OTHER

Other Applicable Assessments: (e.g. Manual Handling)	List all with details of each: ?
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Other Notes:	Life span of the virus can be varied depending on the surface material. Porous surfaces 4-24hrs, non porous surfaces up to 72hrs. ?
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Risk Level					
With Existing Controls:					
Likelihood:	Medium	Severity:	High	Risk Level:	High
With Further Controls:					
Likelihood:	Low	Severity:	High	Risk Level:	Medium

Actions

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Actions associated with this Risk Assessment

***** No Actions have been recorded*****