

FLBT Coronavirus Plan

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Introduction

The purpose of this document is to show how the club is mitigating the risks associated with the coronavirus COVID-19 (CV) pandemic.

We will enable our members to race in as safe an environment as reasonably possible.

We will comply with current government guidelines.

What is the risk we are managing?

1. There is a risk that in attending FLBT meetings, people may become infected with CV.
2. There is a risk that by using the premises after an FLBT meeting, people may become infected with CV.
3. There is a risk that a person with COVID-19, or who is asymptomatic, could attend and be a source of infection.

We are seeking to reduce these risks, by following current government guidelines. The reader should be aware that it is not possible to completely eliminate the risks above.

Scope

This document considers the risks within the curtilage of the Church Hall, Silverless Street and Bulkington Community Hall only (the premises). This means not only the hall building but also the immediate surroundings, for example within the front gate and around the hall at Marlborough, in the car park at Bulkington. There are no current plans to meet at Clench.

This document considers the CV risks above only.

This document considers the risk to FLBT members and visitors to any FLBT event on the premises, variously referred to as people, everyone, etc in this document. Further any people who may use the premises after FLBT, for whom we leave the premises in as low-risk state as we can (as clean, or better, than we found it).

FLBT will adhere to the government coronavirus guidance at the time of writing.

Actions to reduce risk:

1. Personal protection
 - a. COVID-19 spreads through the air by droplets and aerosols that are exhaled from the nose and mouth of an infected person. Whilst there is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face covering, the Government suggests that you continue to wear one in crowded and enclosed spaces, especially where you come into contact with people you do not usually meet, when rates of transmission are high. At the time of writing (March 2022), cases are reducing. The average attendance rate at FLBT and space available is not seen and a crowded space. It is therefore down to the individual if they wish to wear a face covering.
 - b. People should use hand sanitiser on arrival and on leaving the premises. Hands should be washed or sanitised regularly to limit cross contamination. The toilet will be open for hand-washing.

- c. Individuals are responsible for cleaning their own cars, controllers and tools before, during and after the meeting to their own satisfaction.
- d. The toilet is available in the interests of wider hygiene considerations. Please flush, wipe down surfaces and dispose of any used materials, especially at the end of an event.

2. Room Hygiene

- a. Windows and doors to the hall should be opened on arrival to disperse and dilute Covid 19 particles.
- b. Any communal items used (for example tables and chairs) should be wiped down before use and at the end of the evening.
- c. The track at FLBT does not need to be wiped down as the virus cannot survive a week on surfaces. People may of course choose to wipe these items down at their own personal choice
- d. People requiring drink should consider bringing personal drinks (water bottles, cans etc). Eating in the hall is discouraged.
- e. Everyone is responsible for removing their own litter at the end of the evening.

3. Layouts

- a. We will use track and room layouts which
 - i. allow ample circulation room around the layout, allowing people to walk fully around the layout.
 - ii. Allow at least 1m spacing amongst marshals, drivers and the race controller
 - iii. Allow a pit table and a parc ferme table, again at least 1m from other positions

Note that a 1m circulation space all around the track is not required, but excessively narrow pinch points should be avoided.

Note that many of our layouts already meet these constraints: new layouts may need to be designed. Very short and very complex layouts may make social distancing more difficult.

Note that two people across a standard track piece from each other are deemed socially distant.

Drivers may be in close proximity to others and may wish to wear face coverings.

4. Pit area/Parc Ferme

- a. Pit tables and one parc ferme table (depending on layout) will be provided.
- b. Racers should aim to bring a maximum of One pit box to a meeting.. Club controllers are available in the event of controller problems. These should be cleaned after use.

5. Handling cars

- a. Throughout, it is anticipated that people will handle each others' cars and that they are in CV terms, 'dirty' (at risk, however small, of carrying CV infection)
- b. Therefore, people should only handle cars if they are practicing regular hand cleaning.

6. Responsible Reporting of Infection

Those attending the Club may need to book into meetings in advance and the Treasurer will keep a record of their attendance. The Treasurer will record names and contact numbers to assist with any Track and Trace requirements. Where Attendees have access to the NHS Covid App, they are to use the 'Check into venue' facility via the smartphone app. A QR code is available in the hall. Numbers may be limited in accordance with Government guidelines. Club members will not come to the meetings if they are feeling unwell or have any of the Covid 19 symptoms. Club members will make it their business to know what the latest published Covid 19 symptoms are.

Club members will tell the club leadership if they become ill from, or test positive for, Covid 19. The treasurer will maintain a list of those who have attended the club, and this may be passed onto relevant parties in the event of a infection outbreak. This is in addition to any available government track and trace initiative.

Racers are encouraged to partake in Lateral Flow Testing (if available).

7. Review

- a. This document is written with current government advice for Coronavirus (COVID-19).
- b. FLBT are Club members of the national body, BSCRA, who recognise slot car racing as a sport.
- c. We will review this plan as government advice changes and with experience.

Notes

1. The calendar will be published on the FLBT website. We will not be visiting Clench until further notice.
2. We will log results for the record.
3. We will collect race fees – please bring the correct change
4. FLBT will provide gloves, wipes, hand sanitiser and cleaning fluid