



FROMUS CENTRE, SAXMUNDHAM

Special Conditions of Hire during COVID-19

Note: These conditions are supplemental to, not a replacement for the ordinary conditions of hire. (Copies available on request and on our website at <http://www.fromuscentre.org.uk> .)

SC1:

You, the hirer, will be responsible for ensuring those attending your activity or event comply with the COVID-19 Secure Guidelines while entering and occupying the hall, as shown on the poster which is displayed at the main entrance, in particular using the hand sanitiser supplied when entering the hall and after using tissues.

SC2:

You undertake to comply with the actions identified in the centre's risk assessment, of which you will be provided with a copy if requested.

SC3:

You will be responsible for cleaning door handles, light switches, window catches, equipment, toilet handles and seats, wash basins and all surfaces likely to be used during your period of hire **before** other members of your group or organisation arrive and to keep the premises clean through regular cleaning of surfaces during your hire, paying particular attention to wash hand basins and kitchen sinks (if used), using either the products supplied (which will be in a clearly accessible location) or your own ordinary domestic products. You will be required to clean again on leaving. Please take care cleaning electrical equipment. Use cloths - do not spray!

SC4:

You will make sure that everyone likely to attend your activity or event understands that they **MUST NOT DO SO** if they or anyone in their household has had COVID-19 symptoms in the last 48 hours, and that if they develop symptoms within 10 days of visiting the premises, they **MUST** seek a COVID-19 test.

SC5:

You will keep the premises well ventilated throughout your hire, with windows and doors (except fire doors) open as far as convenient. Extractor fans are available to use in the hall. You will be responsible for ensuring they are all turned off and windows and doors securely closed on leaving.

SC6:

You will ensure that no more than 60 people attend your activity/event in the Main Hall and 15 in Conference Room , in order that social distancing can be maintained. You will encourage everyone attending as far as possible to social distance between individuals or groups adopting 1m plus mitigation measures such as face coverings when using more confined areas e.g., moving and stowing equipment, accessing toilets. You will make sure that no more than one person uses each suite of toilets at one time.

SC7:

You will take particular care to ensure that social distancing is maintained for any persons likely to be clinically more vulnerable to COVID-19, including for example keeping a 2m distance around them when going in and out of rooms and ensuring they can access the toilets or other confined areas without compromising social distancing.

SC8:

You will position furniture or the arrangement of the room as far as possible to facilitate social distancing with mitigation measures such as: seating side by side, with at least one empty chair between each person or household group, rather than face-to-face, face coverings and good ventilation. If tables are being used, you are advised to place them so as to maintain social distancing across the table between people from different household groups who are face-to-face e.g. using a wide U-shape.

**SC9:**

You are requested to keep a record of the date and time the activity started and the name and contact telephone number or email of all those who attend your event (or at least one member of any group of up to 6 people or 2 households who attend together). This can be done either by operating an advance booking system which collects these details, or by asking everyone who attends to use the NHS QR poster at the lobby entrance to register their attendance and by keeping a record of any who do not register using their smartphone app and the hall's NHS QR poster or your own NHS QR poster.

SC10:

You will be responsible for the disposal of all rubbish created during your hire, including tissues and cleaning cloths, in the rubbish bins provided by the main entrance before you leave the hall. All other rubbish including all glassware should be taken away with you when you leave the hall.

SC11:

Users are encouraged to bring their own cups, drinks and food. If food or drink is being served or made on a DIY basis (as distinct to a water bottle used during exercise) it must be consumed while seated.

SC12:

We will have the right to close the hall if there are safety concerns relating to COVID-19, for example, if someone who has attended the hall develops symptoms and thorough cleansing is required or if it is reported that the Special Hiring Conditions above are not being complied with, whether by you or by other hirers, or in the event that public buildings are asked or required to close again. If this is necessary, we will do our best to inform you promptly and you will not be charged for this hire.

SC13:

In the event of someone becoming unwell with suspected Covid-19 symptoms while at the hall you should remove them to the designated safe area which is Room 2. Provide tissues and a bin or plastic bag, and a bowl of warm soapy water for handwashing. Ask others in your group to provide contact details if you do not have them and then leave the premises, observing the usual hand sanitising and social distancing precautions, and advise them to launder their clothes when they arrive home. Inform SADCIC on 07968160706 (answerphone only) and email at fromus.centre@gmail.com.

SC14: For events with more than 30 people you will take additional steps to ensure the safety of the public in relation to COVID-19 and prevent large gatherings or mass events from taking place, for example by operating a booking system or providing attendants or stewards who will ask people to seat themselves furthest from the entrance on arrival, to exit closest to the exits first and invite people to use toilets in the interval row by row.

SC15: In order to avoid risk of aerosol or droplet transmission you must take steps to avoid people needing to unduly raise their voices to each other, e.g. refrain from playing music or broadcasts at a volume which makes normal conversation difficult.

SC16:

Other special points as appropriate.

e.g., Where a sports, exercise or performing arts activity takes place:

You will organise your activity in accordance with guidance issued by the relevant governing body for your sport or activity

e.g., Where a group uses their own equipment:

You will ask those attending to bring their own equipment and not share it with other members or You will avoid using equipment, which is difficult to clean, as far as possible. You will ensure that any equipment you provide is cleaned before use and, where applicable, before being stored in the hall.

SC 17: You will encourage all those attending your activity to wear a face covering when using confined areas such as toilets and corridors.

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