COVID 19 Protocols

**Protective measures**

This is the set of actions hirers must take. They are grouped into ‘prevention’ and ‘response to any infection’ and are outlined in more detail in the sections below.

‘Hands Face Space’

**Prevention:**

1. Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend swimming lessons / courses.
2. Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual using hand sanitisers and or hand basins
3. Attend swim lessons & courses ‘beach ready’ encouraging showering and toileting at home before swimming. Given the numbers attending your course I am sure they can maintain social distances when changing and showering by making safe and effective use of the facilities we have here at St Michael’s
4. Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the ‘catch it, bin it, kill it’ approach.
5. Use the ‘Just One’ spray and blue / green paper towels to clean down frequently touched surfaces often and ‘bucket bash’ the pool deck and or showering cubicles between the swim sessions.
6. Minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible by adopting a one way system when using the facilities.
7. Pool and changing room ventilation. Where possible doors will be held open to minimise contact and enable greater air circulation.
8. Cleaning. A full and deep clean of the pool area and pool circulation areas will be undertaken daily and there will be ‘spot cleans’ in high contact areas where necessary. Our cleaning staff will be on half term but where possible I will arrange a clean down of the areas being used.

**Response to any infection**

1. If you suspect anyone as being covid 19 positive attending your swim lessons notify the site manager who will then engage with the NHS Test and Trace process and the local health protection team for further advice and guidance
2. It’s very important pool hirers have a full record of who attends each of their swimming lessons and courses.

**Social distancing:**

The overarching principle to apply is reducing the number of contacts between swimmers and swimming instructors. This can be achieved through keeping groups separate and through maintaining a distance between individuals.

**Equipment:**

All the school swimming equipment will be removed from poolside along will all other non-essential equipment. It is recommended that **swimming equipment is NOT shared**. PWTAG advises that after each use submerging the equipment in a solution of 100mg/l chlorine for 1 hour and then rinsed off in water.The lockers should be out of action but by allocating a locker to a person on the courses with you to ensure on one point of contact is viable. Please use the paper towels and hand sanitiser provided rather than the air hand dryers.