

# COVID-19 Update

Site Operating Procedures
November 2021

#### Overview



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### General Control Measures



- 1. Health & Safety RAMS remember to take account of COVID
- 2. Provide adequate ventilation
- 3. Clean more often at least twice per day
- 4. Turn away people with COVID-19 symptoms
- 5. Register everyone who comes to site
- 6. Communicate & train

## Travelling to/from Site



Where possible travel alone

- When more than one person travelling together
  - Maintain good ventilation (keep windows open, if only in part when cold)
  - Spray & wipe commonly touched surfaces after each journey
  - Wash hands / sanitise when entering and leaving vehicle





Site Operating Procedures - .GOV.UK and COVID RAMS

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-covid-19/construction-and-other-outdoor-work

- Site Manager Responsible for Implementing Procedures
- Allocate Break staggered break times if required
- Allocate staggered start and finish times (if numbers on site makes congestion likely)
- Deliveries avoid close contact, and contactless where possible
- Emergency Assembly Point allow enough space to avoid close contact
- Traffic Management Plan
- Plan works to avoid close contact between people

### Site Arrival



- COVID signage prominent and visible at site entrance
- Hot running water with soap at site entrance
   OR if not possible automatic hand sanitiser dispenser with signage
- Everyone Wash / Sanitise Hands on arrival
- Everyone Complete COVID-19 Questionnaire
  - Turn away anyone who is experiencing COVID symptoms; and advise them to get a PCR Test
- Minimise unnecessary contact at Site Office complete induction outside

### Site Induction



- Additional COVID-19 items to cover during induction
  - Don't come to work if you have symptoms
  - What to do if develop symptoms whilst on site
  - Avoid close contact with others whilst on site
  - Allocate work area if appropriate
  - Important to wash hands when arrive, before consuming food, regularly throughout the day and before leaving site
  - Concerns & suggestions should be raised with Site Manager
  - Overview of cleaning regime
  - Support use of face coverings if the choose to wear one, but remind industry guidance is responsible use of PPE

### **Visitors**



- Discourage unnecessary site visits
- Use tablet to offer video visit, or to send photos
- Visitors by prior appointment where possible
- Visitors complete COVID Questionnaire

### Ventilation



- Maintain good ventilation in site accommodation
  - Windows and doors open
- In buildings / enclosed spaces
  - Windows and doors open whilst working inside
  - Consider if works could be undertaken directly outside

## Cleaning Regime



- Anti-bac spray and blue roll near kettle and microware
  - Users spray & wipe down after each use
  - Simple sign to remind users near kettle & microwave
- Bins emptied when 75% full
- Spray & wipe down surfaces touched regularly at least twice per day
  - Complete Cleaning Checklist after each clean, and return completed checklists to head office weekly
- Keep Cleaning Checklist on wall in welfare accommodation during the week
- Shared tools spray & wipe down after use by operative

## Handwashing



- On Arrival
- Before consuming food
- Regularly throughout the day
- Before leave site

Handwashing advice poster above sink in each WC

## COVID-19 Symptoms develop at work



#### Operative

- Go home immediately and avoid touching any equipment
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue and put in a bin (crook of elbow if no tissue)
- Call / tell the Site Manager to tell them you have left site and have symptoms

#### Site Manager

- Advise operative to get a PCR test, and then follow advice of NHS Test & Trace
- Ask operative to let you know their test result and if they need to isolate
- If isolation necessary, tell your Contracts Manager and anyone they might have had close contact with
- Update COVID questionnaire with Isolation date & Contracts Manager update records at head office

## **Sub Contract Operations**



#### Communicate

When order placed Contracts Manager sends our COVID RAMS to Sub Contractor; informs the planning of their work

#### Review

Contracts Manager review Sub Contractor's RAMS, and checks COVID measures adequate and aligns with our procedures set out in our RAMS

#### Approve

Contracts Manager approves RAMS when happy & distributes

#### Audit & Check

Site Manager makes sure works proceed in accordance with RAMS

## RAMS for specific tasks



 RAMS prepared by Site Manager & Contracts Manager need to consider and include:

- Avoiding close contact
- Allocating work areas to help reduce close contact
- Control measures if close contact unavoidable (note PPE is not effective measure)
- Cleaning of tools
- Ventilation of the workplace when working in buildings and enclosed spaces

## Questions?



