

COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Project	ALL SITES
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Identified Hazards

- Increasing possible exposure of Covid-19
- Exposure to Covid-19
- Spread of Covid-19

Covid-19 effects the lungs and airways.

Symptoms of Covid-19 are:

- Continuous Cough
- A high fever/temperature
- A shortness of breath

By having these symptoms, it does not mean you have the virus, these symptoms are similar to other more common illnesses such as colds and flu.

Although for most, the exposure may result in an uncomfortable flu for around two weeks, there are a number of people at risk of severe illness from coming in contact with Covid-19.

This group includes those who are:

- Aged 70 or older, (regardless of medical conditions)
- Under 70 with an underlying health condition listed below i.e. anyone instructed to get a flu jab as an adult each year on medical grounds
 - Chronic, long term respiratory diseases such as asthma, COPD, emphysema or bronchitis
 - Chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
 - Chronic liver disease
 - Chronic neurological disease
 - Diabetes
 - Problems with your spleen
- Weakened immune system
- A BMI of 40 or above
- Those who are pregnant

Potential infection routes of virus into the human body:

Oral inhalation

Nasal inhalation

Eyes

Skin contact

Ingestion

Infection routes for Covid-19 is mainly through close contact with an infected person, through respiratory droplets. Such droplets can be through direct contact, sneezing, coughing and absorption through the eyes and skin.

Secondary contact infection routes for Covid-19 are via hand to mouth, face and eyes.

Full and up to date information can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/> and <https://www.nhs.uk/>

Persons at Risk
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Company fitters and fitter's mates 2. Member of site security & reception staff 3. Member of public 4. Suppliers

Control Measures to be implemented
<p>All staff displaying symptoms of the flu will be sent home and asked to isolate for at least seven days.</p> <p>All staff regularly wash their hands in warm soapy water or with alcohol based antibacterial sanitiser.</p> <p>Staff commuting on Public Transport will be free to travel at off peak times.</p> <p>If required shifts are to be moved to outside of normal working hours to minimise contact with members of the public.</p> <p>Field engineers who are required to collect materials and equipment from the office will be asked to stagger their times at the office.</p> <p>No unnecessary access to the main office will be allowed.</p> <p>There must be at least a 2m clearance between workstations for remaining skeleton staff.</p> <p>Door and window handle and other commonly touched objects to be regularly wiped clean with antibacterial wipes.</p> <p>Engineers will always wear gloves whilst on site.</p> <p>Engineers will be issued with antibacterial wipes.</p> <p>Limit interactions with couriers and delivery personnel, and always maintain safe personal distancing.</p> <p>Interaction with ancillary contractors.</p> <p>Engineers are issued with masks should they wish to use them.</p>

Personal protective equipment					
 <p>Foot protection must be worn</p>	 <p>Hand protection must be worn</p>	 <p>Eye protection must be worn</p>	 <p>Wear masks</p>	 <p>Protective clothing must be worn in this area</p>	 <p>High visibility clothing must be worn in this site</p>

Personal protective equipment	
As required by company procedures and risk assessments.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks (general nuisance dust - disposable) – as required. • Ear protection – as required. • Glasses or goggles (general work-wear) – as required. • Gloves (general) – as required. Disposable • Hardhats (BS safety helmet). • Hi-Vis. • Safety footwear. • Hand wash, sanitiser 	

First aid	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First aid box on site with eye wash bottle (vehicles). • Site first aid provision also available in emergency. • First Aider: Site Supervisor. • Serious injuries to be treated at local hospital. • All injuries to be reported and recorded in site accident book as well as the company accident report and accident book. 	

Fire and emergency	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All operatives/visitors inducted on site into the local emergency procedures. • Emergency escape routes and assembly points advised at induction. • Fire point(s) are not provided for this project. • Operatives will respond to any alarm and go to designated assembly point to be accounted for. • All incidents reported immediately on 01708 373 999. 	

Risk assessments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire. • Machinery (working with). • Noise. • Portable Tools (use of). • Vibration. • Work at Height (scaffolding). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housekeeping & General Activities. • Manual Handling. • Pedestrians (and the public). • Vehicles (use of). • Work at Height (ladders, steps & podiums). • Work at Height (towers).

Comments	
All operatives will be briefed on the work to be done and any special requirements of the site. As per our customer's requests and government guidelines	

Checked and accepted by	Paul Masterson (Managing Director)
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