

# Wash Farm Barn Ltd

## COVID-19 Cleaning and disinfecting policy

This policy details the measures put in place to make our facility COVID secure and safe for users against virus contamination.

### Our current measures:

Daily cleaning: Each evening when the pool is closed there is a routine clean of the changing and WC rooms, emptying bins and disinfected the showers, washbasins, and loos. Mop heads are put into a bucket of disinfectant to soak overnight. The pool water is checked for chlorine and pH levels and appropriate treatments are added to the pool water accordingly.

In addition, once a week we perform a deep clean of the whole facility as standard practice.

Due to coronavirus we will be increasing our daily cleaning and disinfecting practices to further reduce the risk of any virus transmission.

### Additional daily cleaning measures will be:

1. In the changing rooms we will disinfect the door handles, shower on/off buttons, shower squeegee's and mop and bucket handles.
2. In the WC room's we will disinfect the loo flush buttons and taps.
3. In the pool hall we will disinfect the pool safety handrail, table and chairs and music system/emergency phone.
4. We will disinfect the keycode door locks and internal door handles.

### Upgrades to our facility:

While closed we have upgraded our changing rooms and created walk-in showers with no doors. We have also removed all corridor, changing room and WC light switches so that they all operate on ceiling sensors with timers. The only light switches that remain are for the pool hall and we (the owners) will turn these on and off each day.

### Newly installed disinfecting equipment:

To help further protect pool users we have now installed **six wall mounted hand sanitising points** and **three disinfecting stations** throughout the facility.

Hand sanitisers are now placed: two in the pool hall for use after touching any equipment present. One in each changing room wing which can be used on

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arrival to the pool and after using squeegees and mops. Two further hand sanitising points are present outside, one at each external door which can be used on entry to and exit of the building.

Disinfecting stations are now placed: one in the corner of the seating area and one by each of the hand sanitising points in each of the changing room wings. We require each swimming group to use the disinfecting stations to disinfect surfaces and objects which they may touch while using the facility (see pool user procedure below).

## **Pool water quality:**

The pool water quality will be kept in accordance with best practice and guidance from PWTAG, thus maintaining appropriate chlorine content for everyone's safety. Such chlorine levels are still well within normal safe swimming ranges for commercial swimming pools.

## **Ventilation:**

We have replaced an old failing heat exchange ventilator in the seating area with a brand new one which is operating 24/7 to bring fresh outside air into the pool hall. We have also installed window ventilation with the use of trickle vents to further improve fresh air flow throughout the pool hall.

During warm summer months we will, when appropriate, leave windows open for fresh air circulation. If swimmers wish to open or close any windows, please be sure to sanitise the window furniture beforehand and/or sanitise your hands immediately afterwards.

## **Pool user procedure**

Please be sure to follow our step by step user procedure for the safety of all swimmers.

1. On arrival sanitise your hands using one of the external hand sanitising points, use door key code to enter.

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2. Take off shoes in entranceway and sanitise your hands using the corridor hand sanitising point.
3. Take disinfectant spray from the disinfecting station into changing room(s) and disinfect surfaces which you will be using. Return disinfectant spray to the disinfecting station and sanitise hands again.
4. Get changed, rinse yourself in the shower and enter the pool hall.
5. If using seating area and music system in the pool hall disinfect spray them first and sanitise hands.
6. Enjoy your swim.
7. Non-swimmers can utilise additional hand sanitising point in the pool hall as required based on what they are touching to maintain good hand hygiene.
8. Finish your swim and exit pool hall.
9. Shower and change. N.B. Hairdryers are not to be used at this time. Please dry hair at home.
10. Use shower squeegee to flush away any dirt/hair left on shower tray and mop any standing water on the changing room floor.
11. Leave squeegee in shower area and return mop and bucket to hand sanitising point.
12. Sanitise hands and gather belongings.
13. Put shoes on and exit premises, closing the door behind you.
14. Sanitise hands at external hand sanitiser point as you leave.

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## Social Distancing at the pool

We kindly ask that everyone always observes social distancing guidance. Do not enter a changing room wing or the pool hall until previous users have vacated. If possible, arrive changed and ready to swim. Aim to arrive no sooner than 10 minutes before your swim time begins. If you are to arrive early, please stay in your car and do not wander around the premises as there are other domestic and commercial activities taking place nearby.

Changing out **must** be completed within the allocated 15 minutes per swim slot.

As an ongoing directive we require anyone who has possible COVID-19 symptoms **NOT** to attend their swimming session or swim lesson and to follow government guidance by self-isolating and getting a test.

We believe social distancing should be easy to maintain while utilising our facility due to the layout of the changing rooms and separate accesses into the pool hall.

We encourage you to practice your best hand hygiene behaviours by using the hand washing and hand sanitising options provided. Please take individual responsibility while attending the pool to ensure everyone's collective safe enjoyment of our facility.