



North Wolds Federation COVID Swimming Pool Risk Assessment

Operation Description:	May 2021 Risk Assessment – Reopening of Swimming Pool
Operation Location:	Market Rasen C of E Primary School
Persons at Risk:	LCC employees, pupils, parent volunteers

This risk assessment should be read alongside the overarching risk assessment for the pool, NOP, EAP and the Swim England [Guidance for Operators](#) and [Guidance for School Swimming](#).

Risk Assessment Guidance

Hazard: Something with the potential to cause **harm**.

To Assess Risk: Using the **tables below**, consider **Severity (S)** and **Likelihood (L)** **without** Control Measures. **Multiply (S x L)**

If applicable, **add** the **Weighting** figure.

Describe Control Measures: Control measure(s) **reduce** the likelihood, **and/or** severity of **harm**, reducing **risk**.

Re-assess Risk, considering Severity (S) and Likelihood (L) **with** Control Measures in place.

Multiply (S x L) and, if applicable, **add** the **Weighting** figure = **Risk Rating** (with controls).

Severity (S)	x	Likelihood (L)	+	Weighting (W)	=	Risk Ratings (R)	
Fatality = 5		Likely = 5		Apprentice/trainee/inexperienced staff member/young person (15-18yrs) = 5		20 +	Very High Risk
Injury (Specified injury / RIDDOR reportable) = 4		Probable = 4				15 - 19	High Risk
Injury (requiring treatment and/or 3 to 7 day absence) = 3		Possible = 3		Part-qualified/staff with less than 2yrs experience/persons aged 18-25yrs = 3		9 – 14	Medium Risk
Injury (requiring treatment and/ or absence less than 3 days) = 2		Unlikely = 2				4 – 8	Low Risk
Minor Injury = 1		Very Unlikely = 1		Fully qualified/professional/ management/ and/or persons above 25yrs = 0		1 - 3	Very Low risk

HAZARD	Assessment of Risk without control measures				CONTROL MEASURES TO REDUCE THE RISK	Assessment of Risk with control measures			
	S	x	L	+ W = R		S	x	L	+ W = R
The COVID19 Swimming Pool risk assessment does not provide adequate control measures	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel Toothill and Samantha Watson will be consulted on the systems of control. • COVID19 Risk Assessment will be reviewed by Geoff Barnes, Governor and Deputy Director for Public Health in NE Lincs. • Risk Assessment will be written following guidance from <u>Swim England Return to Swimming documents</u>. • NWF Federation Governing Body to Approve the Risk Assessment in their meeting on 17/5/21 	4	1	0	4
Control measures in this risk assessment are not followed due to communication issues.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel Toothill and Samantha Watson will have a briefing on the NOP/EAP/usual risk assessment and COVID19 Risk Assessment prior to the starting of lessons. • DT and SW are the named designated officers for swimming and the only two who will teach swimming. • Control measures and risk assessments to be regularly reviewed, 	4	1	0	4
Issues with pool after long closure	3	4	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pool will be serviced before reopening • Boiler service records to be checked • Pool Health and Safety File to ready for recording pool levels etc • COSSH sheets reviewed and updated. • H&S governor, Andrew Howson, to review the pool building before swimming lessons reopen. (13/05/21) • First aid kit is in situ and fully stocked. • NOP and EAP to be update at full governors meeting on 17/05/21 • Swimming Pool Risk Assessment to be approved at full governors meeting on 17/5/21 • Shower and tap has been flushed weekly to guard against legionella and will run continuously from hot and cold supplies for two minutes in the 24 hours before first use. • Pool will not reopen until all water levels (PH/Free chlorine etc) are correct 	3	1	0	3

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microbiological testing of water will be carried out before the pool reopens. 				
Training certificates expired over lockdown.	4	4	0	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DT and SS to complete the online pool operator's licence before pool is reopened. (15 hour online course) DT and SW to complete the RLSS lifeguarding training before the pool is reopened. Certificate to be held on file and checked before swimming resumes. Teaching qualifications already on file. 	4	1	0	4
Children not following usual safety rules due to not swimming lessons for 15 months.	3	3	0	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will be reminded of the pool rules in or before their first lesson back including (but not exhaustive) moving around the pool, safe entry and exit, emergency signals, depth of pool (no diving), behaviour expected in and around the water Signage will be in place from the Swim England materials. 	3	1	0	3
Asymptomatic children transmit COVID 19 to children outside of their bubble	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will swim in their bubble groups which are a replication of the usual class bubbles they operate in. Meticulous cleaning between groups- see appendix 1 (steps/hooks/sides/floors/benches) Enough time to be given between sessions to enable thorough cleaning. Cleaning of any apparatus between groups (floats, noodles etc.) 	4	1	0	4
Asymptomatic children transmit COVID19 to children in bubble.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children with COVID19 symptoms not to be in school (Follow school main COVID19 risk assessment) Children will not share equipment (towels/goggles/Floats etc.) Children to sanitise their hands before and after the session. 	4	1	0	4
Asymptomatic adults give COVID19 to swimmers	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming teacher will keep 2 mtrs away from children wherever possible. School staff supporting swimming use LFD. Volunteers supporting swimming keep 2 mtrs away from children wherever possible. Teacher to deliver from poolside. Where possible adults to stay in the same station for the duration of the lesson. 	4	1	0	4

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The swimming teachers should avoid raising voices/shouting to make themselves heard above the noise. 				
Social distancing may not be possible due to the layout of the pool	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children do not need to socially distance from each other as they are in their class bubbles. Teachers and adults should stay 2 mtrs away from each other and children where possible. 	4	1	0	4
If COVID19 is transmissible in the air it could spread.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the nature of our pool it is a humid environment. The Swim England guidance for operators says “Anecdotal evidence shows that warmer temperatures and high humidity all play a part in mitigating the risk of airborne transmission. Our heat exchange/air ventilation system will be set at its highest level during all lessons. All windows will be open. The pool doors front, internal and 2 side will remain open during swimming lessons to allow air change. (Note pool must never be left unattended with doors open) Ratio of air to participants will replicate in class ratios. 	4	1	0	4
Pool water may spread COVID19 if not correctly dosed.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School will follow the advice from Swim England and PWTAG which indicates COVID19 cannot be transmitted through the pool if the free chlorine is a least 1.5mg/l and the PH is 7.0 	4	1	0	4
Cleaning equipment may not be readily available.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site manager will ensure that all necessary materials are in the pool including tissues, anti bacterial wipes and hand sanitisers. Properly dosed pool water (Following PWTAG guide-see above) can be used to clean some items. Tissue bin to be installed in pool 	4	1	0	4
High risk or shielding pupils and adults may be at more risk	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are not aware of any high risk adults or children. If they present a risk assessment will be done taking advice from HPT and their medical professional. They will not swim if it is not safe for them to do so. 	4	2	0	8
Swimming Volunteer helpers do not have the necessary	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admin Staff to ensure that adults have <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The corrects DSB check Have signed the code of conduct Any other necessary paperwork (Code of Conduct Etc) 	4	1	0	8

safeguarding checks.									
Pupils with SEND needs may not be at more risk than other pupils	2	3	0	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENCO will screen pupils and create risk assessments for those who need them. • Visits to the pool before lessons can be organised to reduce anxiety and familiarise children with the environment if necessary. 	2	2	0	4
NCPS Only Asymptomatic children may spread COVID19 to children outside of their bubble when sharing transport to the Market Rasen Pool Site.	4	3	0	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class One will travel on their own to the pool. • Swimming lessons to be blocked so rather than Class 2 and 3 going weekly for 6 weeks and sharing transport Class 2 will go for 3 weeks and have a double session and Class 3 will do the same. 	4	1	0	4

School: The North Wolds Federation (Market Rasen C of E & Nettleton Community Primary)

Headteacher: Andrew Smith **Signature:**

Chair of Governors: Mike Eckersley **Signature:**

Date Approved by the Full Governing Body 17/05/21

Last amendments made 17/05/21

Next review by full Governing Body 07/21

Appendix 1:

Cleaning:

Cleaning Before sessions and between groups

Entrance Lobby

- Door handles Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Switches Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray

Changing Room

- Floor Disinfectant
- Benches Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Window handles Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray

Main Pool Hall

- UPVC cover Pool Water
- Foot Wash Tap Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Door Handles Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Floor Disinfectant
- Pool Steps Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Benches Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Towel Hooks Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray
- Adult pool alarms Anti Bacterial Wipes / Spray

Equipment (If used)

- Noodles Pool Water
- Floats Pool Water
- Hoops Pool Water