COVID-19 Risk Assessment

These guidelines are intended to assist Sport Star Limited in implementing precautionary measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 disease in our settling. These guidelines are based on Public Health England and Department for Education guidance for educational settings and their key workers. The fundamental principle of this procedure is to ensure physical distancing between identified groups and to implement good hygiene practices. The way we will design the day as small communities of children and subdivided of our rooms will greatly assist our ability to create physical distance between groups and cluster children into specific cohorts or 'bubbles'.

Focus	Assessment Area	Assessment Actions
Children	Attendance	 Only children who are symptom free or have completed the required isolation period will attend the setting. We will be allocating stagger 'bubbles' drop off and pick up times from 8am to 10am
	Physical distancing/grouping	 Children will be organised into small groups/'bubbles', these small groups or 'bubbles' will not mix during the day. The use of communal internal spaces will be restricted as much as possible. Our outdoor spaces will be used by different 'bubbles' at different areas.

	Wellbeing and education	 Children will be supported in age appropriate ways to understand the steps they can take to keep themselves safe including regular hand washing and sneezing into a tissue. Children will be supported to understand the changes and challenges they may be encountering as a result of Covid-19. Key Workers will also ensure they are aware of children's attachments and their need for emotional support at this time.
Workforce	Attendance	 Staff will only attend Sport Star if they are symptom free, have completed the required isolation period or achieved a negative test result. Any staff members who travels to work via public transport or is dropped off by car by someone has been asked to bring a change of clothes (work top)-on entering Sport Star staff are to immediately change to prevent cross contamination and reduce the risk of spreading infection.
	Physical distancing/group	 Staff will remain with the small group of children, the 'bubble' of children who they are allocated to and not come into contact with other groups. Social distancing will be maintained during breaks. This will be achieved through a range of strategies including the staggering of breaks and subdivision of spaces allocated to team breaks. Staff members will avoid physical contact with each other including handshakes, hugs etc. Where possible, meetings and training sessions will be conducted through virtual conferencing

	Training	• All staff members will receive appropriate instruction and training in infection control and the standard operating procedure and risk assessments within which they will be operating
Parents	Physical distancing	 Only parents who are symptom free and or have completed the required isolation periods will be able to drop off or collect their child We will limit drop off and pick up to 1 parent per family and stagger the timings for groups 'bubbles' within allocated times. We will be asking parents to drop off and pick up at Sport Star main entrance to avoid parents entering unnecessarily. If parents are kept waiting while dropping off or collecting their child, physical distancing will be maintained in a safe area.
	Communications	 Verbal handovers will be time restricted to ensure we do not have a queue of parents and children
Visitors	Visits	• Attendance to the setting will be restricted to children and staff as far as practically possible and visitors will not be permitted unless essential (e.g. essential building maintenance).
Hygiene and Health & Safety	Hand Washing	 All children and staff <u>must</u> wash their hands upon arrival at Sport Star using the provided hand washing stations. Children and staff members will be encouraged to wash their hands frequently

PROPER HAND-WASHING PROTOCOL

HAND-WASHING IS A CORNERSTONE OF OUR REOPENING PLAN. WHEN IN DOUBT, WASH THOROUGHLY AND OFTEN, USING LIQUID SOAP AND WATER. HAND SANITIZER THAT IS 70% ETHANOL OR STRONGER IS OUR SECOND PREFERENCE.

WE WILL WASH OUR HANDS:

- Upon arrival in the morning, and re-entering the building throughout the day
- Whenever one's hands are visibly dirty
- After using the toilet
- After coughing or sneezing into one's hands, or into a disposable tissue
- Before eating
- When going from one room to another.
- After physical contact with others.

• We have an enhanced cleaning schedule that will be implemented that includes furniture, surfaces and equipment (see below for further information).

• Toilets will be cleaned twice daily using standard cleaning products and sprayed with disinfectant after each use.

Cleaning

• All high-contact surfaces, including touch points and hand washing facilities, tables, door handles, faucets and light switches will be disinfected twice daily.

• Equipment will be cleaned at the end of each day, and any equipment that are not easily disinfected will be put away until the end of the coronavirus pandemic.

		 Staff electronics such as tablets, phones and computers will be disinfected before and after use. Cleaning takes place whenever there's a break in the action — in the middle of the day, while children are eating or napping, or at the end of the day, once the children have gone home.
	Risk assessment	 All activities will be risk assessed and due consideration given to any adaptations to usual practice. This may include, but not be limited, to the suspension of some learning experiences involving materials which are not easily washable such as malleable materials, sand, water etc.
	PPE	 Government guidance is that PPE is not required for general use in early years settings to protect against COVID- 19 transmission.
Premises	Building	 We will be keeping windows open where possible to ensure ventilation
	Resources	 Children will not be permitted to bring items from home into Sport Star unless absolutely essential for their wellbeing. All resources required for play and learning experiences of children will be regularly washed and/or sterilised. Equipment used by staff such as stationary, tablets etc. will be allocated to individual staff members where possible and cleaned regularly.

		• We will remove soft furnishings, sand/ water/ any malleable play will not be accessible to children during this period.
Supplies	Procurement & monitoring	 We will ensure an adequate supply of essential supplies and contingency plans are in place to minimise the impact of any shortages of supplies. A monitoring system for the usage of PPE is essential to ensure that a supply of stock is available to all who require it as and when required to meet our operational needs. When stocks are low, other options may be considered, such as the use of washable tabards. These items will be washed at a high temperature and separate to any other washing.
Responding to a suspected case	Procedure	 In the event of a child developing suspected coronavirus symptoms whilst attending the setting, they will be collected as soon as possible and isolated at home in line with the NHS guidance. Whilst waiting for the child to be collected they will be moved, if possible to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door (with appropriate adult supervision) if this is not possible, the child will need to be moved to an area which is at least 2 meters away from the rest of the setting. A window will opened for ventilation. If the child needs to use the toilet in the time they are waiting to be collected they will use a separate bathroom, if possible. The bathroom will be cleaned and disinfected before used by anyone else. The staff member responsible for the child during this time will be a staff member from their 'bubble'. The staff member will wear appropriate PPE including a face mask while waiting with the child.

• In an emergency, the manager/supervisor is to call 999 if the child becomes seriously ill or injured.

• The person responsible for cleaning the area will wear appropriate PPE.

• The member of staff who has been in contact with the child displaying symptoms does not need to go home unless they develop symptoms themselves. The member of staff will adhere to strict hand washing routines as usual (20 seconds)

• In the event of a staff member developing suspected coronavirus symptoms whilst working at Sport Star, they will return home immediately and isolate at home in line with the NHS guidance. Staff members will be able to be tested for Covid-19 if displaying symptoms.