

AUDAX UNITED KINGDOM COVID-19 ORGANISER GUIDANCE- ENGLAND

England moved to Step 4 of its COVID roadmap on the 19th July.

The following is based on the official Government guidance.

Sport participation events including calendar events can take place outdoors with no capacity caps for participants, volunteers or spectators. In addition to your usual event organisation processes, you should ensure that you take steps to keep everyone safe and reduce the risk of transmission at your events so you can continue to organise events safely.

Risk Assessment

As there continues to be a risk of infection from COVID-19, there remains a legal duty to manage risks affecting your volunteers.

You should also ensure that people can participate in your event safely. You should consider the best way to approach this for your event.

Your event risk assessment now includes specific mention of Covid-19 hazards & control measures. You will need to add your own control measures in the control measures text box. The separate Covid-19 risk assessment has been withdrawn.

Event Communication

You should consider how you can inform entrants of important information and any changes to processes in advance of the event.

Your communication to entrants should cover the following points:

• Clearly communicate to entrants that they should not take part in your event if they need to self-isolate, for example because they have been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace; are required to isolate after travel; or because they are displaying any COVID-19 symptoms (a high temperature, new and persistent cough, or a loss of/change in sense of taste or smell), even if these symptoms are mild. Advise them that if they, or anyone they live with, have one

or more of these symptoms they should not attend.

You should advise entrants to consider their own health and circumstances (for example, if they are not yet double-vaccinated or they live with somebody vulnerable), so they can make an informed choice about whether they wish to participate. You should set out the safety measures you have put in place, and how you will mitigate any specific risks associated with your event. For example, you could advise participants that you are following AUK's guidance and of any safety measures you are putting in place.

Venues

Consider minimising use of indoor facilities as much as possible. When indoors ensure good ventilation (open windows & doors), and encourage riders not to linger inside.

Some facilities may have specific requirements and you should respect these.

Your volunteers may choose to wear a face covering, particularly if they are likely to come into contact with a lot of people during the event. You should support them in doing so.

Consider recommending the use of face coverings by volunteers, riders and spectators as a safety measure in enclosed and crowded spaces where they are likely to come into contact with many people.

Hygiene

You should continue to follow good hygiene practices, to reduce the risk of transmission.

Ensure that there is sufficient access to toilet facilities and that they are well-ventilated and frequently cleaned.

Consider how best to provide refreshments for the event. Water bottles or other refreshment containers should not be shared between participants. Provide hand sanitiser and wipes at the event, particularly at entry points and around any food/refreshment areas. Entrants should also be encouraged to bring their own.

Government guidance takes precedence over this guidance. If Government guidance changes at any time, it must be followed with immediate effect.