



Covid – 19 Risk Assessment

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Introduction

This risk assessment is produced in line with the document, "Working safely during COVID-19 in Construction and other outdoor work" dated 11/05/2020

The risk assessment will consider the current legislation, the guidance, safety legislation and best practice in hygiene.

Risk

The legislation and guidance require that we consider whether it is necessary for people to be in work.

O'Brien is a drainage specialist that undertakes work on commercial and domestic properties. Other than basic administration tasks all of the work is undertaken away from their business premises and as there is a demand for their services staff need to be at work in order to provide a service.

In order to manage general risk in relation to the covid-19 virus the following controls will be implemented:

- **Staff who are designated as 'Clinically extremely vulnerable' (had a letter from their GP telling them to self-isolate with their families will not be required to come to work**
- **If they are designated as 'clinically vulnerable', a risk assessment will be completed from them to identify same methods of integrating them back into the workplace**
- **All employees, contractors and visitors will be asked to comply with government guidance in relation to self-declaring and then self-isolating (link to latest government guidance below) – current symptoms include high temperature, dry continuous cough, a loss of taste and/or smell**
- **The contents of this risk assessment will be viewed**
- **All staff will be encouraged as part of this process to make any suggestions that would improve/make safe working conditions for work**

Social Distancing

As part of the guidance and to reduce the infection rate across the country 'Social distancing' is implemented wherever possible.

This practice of making 2 metre distance between workers and clients is to be implemented in all areas of the premises and when working on site



The requirements in relation to driving are not applicable as the business is a family concern with family members living in the same house.

On Client's premises:

- **Social distancing to be complied with at all times**
- **Client site rules to be adhered to**
- **Avoid wherever possible entering inside commercial buildings**
- **Avoid entering customer houses**

Infection Prevention

As the virus can be easily spread from surfaces (current information) as well as from close contact with infected workers there is a need to provide facilities and to prevent the spread of infection.

The company will implement the following processes

- **Hand sanitiser to be provided in all company vehicles**
- **Sanitising wipes will also be available in the vehicles to enable staff to clean any clients surfaces, handles, doors etc.**
- **Any working in close proximity near any other person should be for as period as possible**
- **Where working in close proximity cannot be avoided a face covering will be worn**

Personal Protective Equipment (P.P.E.)

Providing all of the aforementioned controls are adhered to the Company does not see fit to provide additional PPE for use at this time. The following information must be complied with:

- **Gloves should not be worn as a means of preventing the spread of the virus – wash and sanitise your hands regularly**
- **Any gloves used as normal task specific PPE should be either thrown away in bins once used or be thoroughly cleaned. Once gloves are removed and then sanitise your hands**
- **Staff who wear a face covering should note that after wearing the covering it should be treated as contaminated and either disposed of or be subject of rigorous cleaning.**

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