

## **BHA GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

**BHAGI 11.3**  
**Dtd 1 June 2020**

**To: Managing Executives, Point-to-Point Organising Committees**  
**From: Chief Executive**  
**Subject: SUPPLEMENTARY RESPONSIBILITIES OF RACECOURSE MEDICAL OFFICERS AND OTHER MEDICAL STAFF (TEMPORARY COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS)**

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In addition to the current versions of BHAGI 11.1 and 11.2 the following shall apply until further notice:

All Medical Staff shall:

- Wherever possible maintain Social Distancing and where this is not possible, due to a specific clinical role, wear appropriate PPE;
- Comply with enhanced levels of personal (specifically hand) and environmental hygiene;
- Model best behaviours for all staff in optimising all elements of Infection Control;
- Comply with any COVID-19 Educational, Screening and Surveillance Programs as required by the BHA;
- Comply with the Covid-19 Requirements and the Code of Conduct drawn up by the BHA and the RCA;
- Comply with any program of Test and Trace instituted by the NHS and where relevant use any tracking app on their mobile phone;
- Follow best clinical practice as guided by their relevant Professional Body; and
- Read and comply with any changes in Standing Orders drawn up as a response to Covid-19

Racecourse Managing Executive shall:

- Read and apply any relevant guidance from DCMS (Return to Elite Sport Stages), BHA and RCA with respect to competition in a Covid-19 environment;
- Consult with relevant members of the medical team to draw up any amendments to Medical Risk Assessments and associated mitigation interventions, Medical Standing Orders and Major Incident Plans;
- Provide adequate supplies of PPE to meet the needs of all personnel that require Level 2 or Level 3 equipment (ambulance services to provide their own), and ensure that all staff are properly trained in its use and are fit tested for the respirator masks in use on the course;
- Identify donning and doffing areas for PPE with suitable clinical waste disposal arrangements;
- Ensure adequate supplies of hygiene products including personal and environmental cleaning agents as per RCA guidance;

- Identify and equip an Isolation Room as detailed in RCA guidance; and
- Support, as necessary, an entry screening process with staff, and facilities separate to those required to cover racing and crowd cover.

Racecourse Medical Officers, Physiotherapists and Nursing Staff shall:

- Take personal responsibility for ensuring that they are familiar, trained and, where relevant, fit tested for the PPE used on the racecourse where they are working; and
- Wear the appropriate level PPE in keeping with the clinical role they are undertaking at the time and ensure safe disposal.

Ambulance Providers shall:

- Ensure that vehicles are cleaned in keeping with relevant infection control policies which should be available for inspection; and
- Supply their personnel with PPE, relevant training and FIT Testing to deliver care in the Pre-Hospital Environment which may include Aerosol Generating Procedures.