



COMPANY PPE



What should your business be doing to mitigate risk when reopening?

Your helpful guide to resuming business whilst transistioning out of lockdown.

As you return to work in the new normal, it is vital the necessary steps are taken to minimise the risk and ensure the safety of your staff and customers.

Before reopening, employers must carry out a COVID-19 risk assessment in line with the HSE guidance. When carrying out your risk assessment, you should take into consideration the following:



Cleaning regimes - Is your current cleaning regime frequent and effective enough?

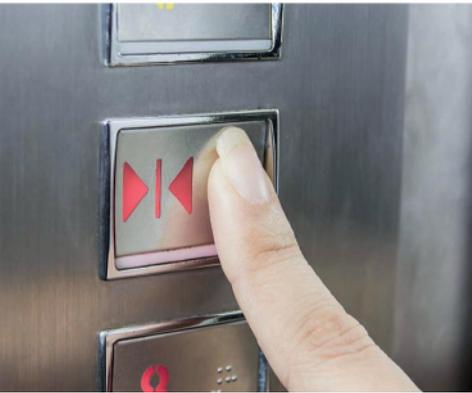


Personal hygiene - Are enough hygiene facilities and products, such as hand sanitiser and anti-bacterial wipes, available to employees?



Social distancing - Do you have the space to impose a 2-metre distance rule? Is it essential for all employees to be on site or can certain employees continue to work from home? You could adjust working hours, highlight the rule using floor markings and create a rota for on-site and remote shifts.





High touch points - Is it possible to reduce the number of high touch points such as door handles? You could leave doors open if safe to do so, limit the use of facilities such as fridges and coffee machines and require employees to use their own cutlery. You could also restrict the use of lifts.



Travel - You should identify employees who travel to work on public transport. If it is not possible for these employees to drive, walk or cycle to work, you should consider whether it is possible for remote working to continue. If it is not possible, you could adjust working hours so employees avoid peak travel times.



Visitors - You should restrict access to non-essential visitors. Is it possible to conduct meetings virtually? How can contact with essential visitors such as couriers be minimised?

Once you have carried out your risk assessment, you may find you need to revise your Health and Safety policies and practices. You should consult with your employees and trade unions, and share the results of the risk assessment with your employees on your website.

You should devise a training plan for your employees in regard to the new Health and Safety measures and deliver this training before they return to the workplace. Health and Safety briefings can be held online and you can follow up the briefing by sending employees this information in a simple and clear format with visual aids. You should also reinforce this information in the workplace by displaying signage in key places such as entrances and exits, toilets and hand washing stations.

The effectiveness of your new policies and practices should be monitored and you should review, adapt and revise them as necessary. To assist you with this, you could implement a system or process in which your employees can offer suggestions for improvements or raise concerns.

Incorporating PPE into your Health and Safety practices will help restore employee confidence. We're here to help and offer a range of protective equipment conforming to CE standards, including:



IIR 3-Ply Face Masks



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Hand Sanitiser (1L)



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