

Benefit-Risk Assessment checklist for Phase 3

Detailed below is a summary of key requirements for opening and operating under Phase 3. Please contact the States Early Years Team with any questions or requests for support.

Preparing to open	Yes	No	Actions	Date
You have completed the risk				
assessment for phase 3				
You and your staff have read and				
understood the Phase 2 and 3				
guidance for EY Providers				
Clear communications with				
parents/carers				
 Parents understand that children 				
must not attend your provision if				
they are unwell				
 Parents should understand your 				
drop off/pickup procedure at the				
door				
 Updated information including 				
emergency contact details have				
been checked and updated				
 Ascertain from parents if they 				
wish for their child to return, they				
may not be working so unable to				
pay for childcare, advise that their				
child's offer may be different due				
to demand and public health				
restrictions at this time.				
Ensure outdoor areas are safe and risk				
assessments up to date				
Ensure you have planned for using				
your outdoor area: can the garden be				
divided into areas? How staggered				
outdoor areas will be accessed?				
When?				
Ensure rooms have been laid out to				
support the principles of physical				
distancing and public health guidelines Risk register updated to capture any				
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risks associated with revised procedures How will children be				

toileted/changed/hands washed to ensure bubbles are kept to?				
Preparing your staff	Yes	No	Actions	Date
Staff have agreed and contributed to reviewing and updating your health and safety plan to reflect public health requirements Planning has been completed to support the forming of staffing bubbles which meet required adult:				
child ratios You have a clear plan for what you will do if children or any other visitors arrive unexpectedly. Ensure your planning has considered				
replacement of staff who become unavailable. Ensure you plan for non-contact and				
break times as per guidance.				
 Brief your staff on managing: Public health requirements (regular hand washing etc.) Hygiene and regular cleaning of surfaces Unwell children and staff during the day What to do if someone becomes unwell What to do in an emergency Supervision of arrivals and departures, breaks etc. 				
Entry to the site Ensure only Staff and Children are in	Yes	No	Actions	Date
the provision unless responding to an emergency or as part of your regulatory requirements for registration				
Parents maintain 2m physical distance during pick up/drop off. Allocated drop-offs / pickups to avoid gatherings Pick-up and drop-off points allocated,				
with the attendance register located outside to limit exposure. Contact tracing registers are easily accessible and record date/time/name				

of those coming on site (staff and children).				
Handwashing	Yes	No	Actions	Date
Adults and children regularly wash hands - on arriving, every bathroom break and before and after meals.				
Staff supervise children to regularly wash hands either with soap and water or use of hand sanitiser.				
Food hygiene	Yes	No	Actions	Date
Planning ensures consideration about how to accommodate meals and breaks.				
Tables are cleaned and disinfected after use.				
Children have their own food containers and do not share food or drinks (including drink bottles).				
Food is supplied according to public health guidance, and food handlers adhere to standard hygiene practices.				
No sharing of crockery/cutlery/utensils between children or staff.				
Toys and resources	Yes	No	Actions	Date
Remove toys that can't be easily				
wiped/ cleaned frequently Avoid toys with porous/absorbent				
surfaces (e.g. soft toys).				
If rotating toys between children in different bubbles, ensure the toys are cleaned frequently and after use by each bubble.				
Cleaning	Yes	No	Actions	Date
High-touch surfaces (e.g. play gyms, tables, chairs, doorknobs, light switches, remotes, handles, desks, toilets, sinks) are regularly cleaned at least twice per day.				
Appropriate cleaning supplies are maintained and stored safely out of reach of children.				
Disinfect and clean all surfaces daily, including sleep furniture.				

Teaching and Learning	Yes	No	Actions	Date
All staff continue to meet the needs of				
individual children and their learning				
and development, wellbeing and				
emotional development must be a				
priority Management provides guidance and				
support to staff and parents enabling				
safe and appropriate learning				
opportunities.				
Additional Public Health	Yes	No	Actions	Date
Measures				
Management ensures the sufficient				
supply of hand sanitiser, soap and				
appropriate cleaning products.				
Indoor and outdoor space is utilised to				
promote distancing.				
Initially only 8 children can be in a				
room (or physical space); this can				
increase when Public Health advise it is				
safe to do so				
Ensure children and where possible				
staff are in the same bubble with the				
same children every day (i.e. no mixing				
between bubbles).				
Staffing ensures appropriate cover for				
break/non-contact times across the				
setting.				
Any other risks considered:				
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