Covid-19 Risk Assessment for Short-Term and Holiday Rentals and Self-Catering Properties

Property Name
Date of Assessment
Assessment Carried out by

The Apartment, Bath 16 June 2020 Adam Powell, Owner Date of Next Review: Notes: 31 July 2020 (after 4 weeks of re-opening)



What are the Hazards?	Who Might Be Harmed and How?	What are you already doing to control the Risk?	What further action do you need to take to control the risk?	Risk Factor / Urgency		
				High	Medium	Low
Person to person contact during COVID 19 pandemic (Owner and guest)	Becoming infected with COVID19 and further spread the infection	Offer contactless check-in through use of digital key safe Digital Welcome Guide has replaced printed document with full property information and latest Covid guidelines sent to guests prior to arrival. Providing personal bottles (50ml) of hand sanitizer gel (73% ethanol)	 Health questions asked prior to guest arrival Provide PPE for any welcome staff and ensure guests and welcome staff understand social distancing guidelines. Any issues needing a maintenance visit to be arranged when guests are out of the property where possible (unless an emergency) Ensure all amenities packs are single packaged items Have an illness during stay reporting and useful contact numbers in the property Have a post stay health questionnaire 			
Cleaner not fit for work and	Could spread COVID 19		Health questions to cleaner prior to each clean			
infected with COVID 19	through cleaning within the property		Confirm role as "standby" cleaner with additional			
Cleaning regimes not effective / fit for purpose	Contaminated accommodation / spread of COVID 19	Support cleaner with online Infection-control training course and regular communication	Create a cleaning plan and checklist that cleaner must adhere to Cleaning standards checked frequently or external 3 rd parties (e.g. accreditation) Ensure cleaners have correct PPE, have received training on how to use correctly and instructions on handwashing, PPE disposal and well being Adoption and review of national cleaning protocols (PASC)			

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Incorrect / ineffective cleaning materials used / Cleaning regimes not recorded	Not cleaning or sanitising the property correctly	Create a cleaning plan identifying cleaning, sanitising and disinfecting requirements within the property including touch points, door handles, banisters, surfaces, bathrooms.	Ensure all cleaning materials are stocked and fit for purpose Ensure all cleaning equipment is fit for purpose and the being used in the correct way Include cleaning products used listed and for what purpose, cleaning plan, risk assessments	
Contaminated items remain in property between guest changeovers	Becoming infected with COVID19 and further spread the infection		Remove non-essential items from property including DVDs, board games, magazines and leaflets	
Dealing with a guest who is unwell or infectious outbreak in your property	The spread of an infection outbreak	 Include local emergency contact details in Welcome Guide Updated terms and conditions to reflect additional Covid terms Work with local accommodation provider networks (BIGHHA, BASCA and Visit Bath) should relocating future guests be necessary. 	 Include guidance in electronic guide on "what to do if you suspect you are ill" or have an infectious outbreak document in the property including relevant phone numbers and actions required Video call/ call the guests to clearly understand the situation and if the guests need to extend their stay and for how long Deliver clean linen and linen bag for used linen in Deliver, medicines, food supplies and extra cleaning materials to the outside of the property 	
Incorrectly laundered bedding	Bacteria not killed off properly	Use high quality cotton bedding and wash on a full 60-90 degree wash cycle	Create a laundry checklist and agree protocols with guests and laundrette	
Changeover clean	Contaminated accommodation / spread of COVID 19	Ensure all changeover cleans continue to be completed once the guests have left the property	All cleaning procedures are adhered to and documented accordingly	
Legionella	Infection of Legionella from standing water if the property has been lying empty	Property in use during closure period with elderly guest unable to stay at main residence, and exempted under government guidelines	As a precaution, flush all taps and showers through and disinfect showerhead.	

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Breac	ch of data protection due to	Confidential health and medical	•	Implemented ICO guide		
handl	ling of sensitive customer	customer data accessed by		"Coronavirus recovery - Six data		
data		unauthorised users		protection steps for organisations"		

Notes on completion

The following guidelines and industry standards have used in the preparation and completion of this risk assessment and adoption of cleaning protocols:

The Professional Association of Self-Caterers UK (PASC)

- Cleaning Protocols for Self-Catering Properties and Short-Term Lets in the Context of Covid-19 (Version 1, 8 June 2020)
- Supplementary FAQs (15 June 2020)
- Covid-19 Cleaning Protocols Cleaning Products and PPE

HIT Training

• Keeping your customers safe throughout COVID-19: Infection control and safe working

UK Hospitality

• Updates, webinars and Covid-19 support