



COVID-19 Primary Care Vaccination Site Brighton Racecourse

Ventilation Policy

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1. Background

Good ventilation, together with social distancing, wearing a facemask when within 2m of other people, keeping your workplace clean and frequent handwashing, can help reduce the risk of spreading coronavirus.

Good ventilation reduces the concentration of the virus in the air and therefore reduces the risks from airborne transmission. This happens when people breathe in small particles (aerosols) in the air after someone with the virus has occupied an enclosed area.

Good ventilation is a balance between making sure workplaces are warm but keeping a flow of air going through an area.

Natural ventilation can be provided through open windows, or through other means such as vents. However, fire doors should not be propped open.

It is important not to completely close windows and doors when the area is occupied as this can result in very low levels of ventilation.

Lower temperatures and likely windy weather conditions in the winter months will increase the natural ventilation through openings. This means you don't need to open windows and doors as wide, so partially opening them can still provide adequate ventilation while maintaining a comfortable workplace temperature. Opening higher-level windows is likely to generate fewer draughts.

Airing rooms as frequently as you can will help improve ventilation. This involves opening all doors and windows wide to maximise the ventilation in the room.

2. Process

On assessing the ventilation at the Brighton Racecourse Vaccination Site it was decided to implement opening the back doors for 15 minutes on the hour, every hour. This is the responsibility of the Site Marshalls.

A daily log sheet will need to be completed each time the doors are opened. See Appendix 1.

3. References

HSE (2020) *Ventilation and air conditioning during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic*. Available at:

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/equipment-and-machinery/air-conditioning-and-ventilation.htm>

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DOOR TO BE OPENED EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR FOR VENTILATION

PLEASE OPEN THE DOOR FOR 15 MINUTES ON THE HOUR AND SIGN BELOW TO CONFIRM IT HAS BEEN DONE.

TIME	SIGNATURE
8AM	
9AM	
10AM	
11AM	
12PM	
1PM	
2PM	
3PM	
4PM	
5PM	
6PM	
7PM	