



# LANCASTER & MORECAMBE MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

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## Lancaster & Morecambe Model Aircraft Club Covid-19 Safety Measures, March 2021

This advice note has been produced following a formal Risk Assessment of Covid-19 hazards for operation of the Club's flying site at Jeremy Lane, Glasson Dock. It takes account of current government guidance and is intended to stay in place for the duration of the current pandemic unless there are any significant changes in circumstances (eg a localised lockdown).

Changes from the previous advice note have been highlighted in red.

The main risks arising from Covid-19 at our site have been identified as follows:

- Risk of transmitting or spreading the virus by physical contact with hard surfaces, notably:
  - Accessing the clubhouse
  - Using the mower/strimmer
  - Sharing each other's equipment
- Risk of transmitting or spreading the virus by airborne transmission

All club members are asked to follow the safety measures set out below:

- ***Your decision to attend the flying site is your own and you should assess your own circumstances before deciding to attend the site. You do so at your own risk.***
- It is essential that all members comply with the following procedure when attending the flying site, which will allow us to comply with national guidance issued by BMFA:
  - 1) On arrival, send a text message to our Track & Trace mobile phone number 07730 447 808 with your name followed by the word "arrival"
  - 2) On departure, send a similar message with your name followed by the word "departure"
- Observe normal social distancing rules at all times, notably the 2m distance rule.
- Use of face coverings is not required, as our activity takes place outdoors, but is optional.
- Remember that your main purpose in attending is to fly, not to socialise. Try to minimise discussion within the pits area, but do still feel free to seek advice or help whilst still observing social distancing rules.
- Avoid sharing items of equipment with other club members. If necessary, use disposable gloves and/or hand sanitiser.
- ***The maximum number of members allowed at the site at any one time is 12.*** If you need to wait at the field for a "slot" to become available, do so by parking on the roadside grass spaces.
- Members are encouraged to use the club's "Flying" WhatsApp group to tell others of their intention to attend the flying site, but please note that this is not accessible by everyone and therefore cannot be used to formally reserve flying slots.

- Members of the same family or household are still regarded as separate individuals when counting numbers on the flying field, as they each present the same level of risk to other people.
- For flight safety reasons, ***the maximum number of pilots allowed to fly simultaneously is 4.*** Pilots must stand together in the pilots box so that they can communicate, but each separated by 2m distance.
- The clubhouse remains closed except for authorised committee members (eg to use the mower). Make sure you bring your own first aid kit in your car or flight box.
- DO NOT ATTEND THE FLYING SITE IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL OR IF YOU OR ANY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS POSSIBLE SYMPTOMS OF COVID 19