

**ACU Permitted Motorcycle Events during Covid-19 – Risk Assessment for Trials as at 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021**

<b>Venue:</b>		<b>Event:</b>	
<b>ACU Permit No:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Risk Assessment carried out by:</b>	

**Severity**

Very High (fatal)	5	5	10	15	20	25
High (Serious Injury)	4	4	8	12	16	20
Moderate (injury)	3	3	6	9	12	15
Slight (minor injury)	2	2	4	6	8	10
Nil (no risk)	1	1	2	3	4	5

**Likelihood**

Notes	1	2	3	4	5
Key Code: Insert appropriate comment in the 'who is at risk' column in the body of the risk assessment	Virtually impossible (no risk present)	Possible (lower or minimal risk)	Quite Possible (may happen)	Likely (Likely to happen)	Very Likely (Almost certain to occur)

**Risk Rating**

15-25	HIGH	A HIGH risk requires immediate action to control the hazard. Actions taken must be detailed within the risk assessment.
5-12	MEDIUM	A MEDIUM risk requires a planned approach to controlling the hazard. Actions taken must be detailed within the risk assessment.
1-4	LOW	A risk identified as LOW may be considered as acceptable and further reduction may not be necessary. However, if the risk can be resolved quickly and efficiently, control measures should be implemented and recorded.

## HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH ACU PERMITTED EVENTS TAKING PLACE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

### SAFETY ASSESSMENT STATEMENT

1. This Risk Assessment has been produced which outlines hazards associated with motorcycle sport events taking place in Stage 4 of the UK Governments Roadmap as the country moves cautiously out of Lockdown
2. The Risk Assessment takes into consideration hazards to competitors/officials/marshals/teams/mechanics/families/spectators in a period following 31<sup>st</sup> July when it is considered that most of the restrictions previously in place can be removed.
3. The Risk Assessment allows for motorcycle sport events to take place in a responsible, controlled, and safe manner, but at all times taking into consideration government advice/guidance published or issued at any time.
4. Government Advice / guidance will take precedent and will always be followed by ACU Ltd.
5. Organising Clubs also need to be mindful of and follow the guidance / advice issued by devolved Governments and Crown Dependencies such as the Isle of Man / Channel Islands.
6. Organising Clubs need to be mindful of certain areas/premises where the risks of transmission may be higher and as such at the Clubs discretion or indeed from instruction by the respective Local Authority, put in place control measures appropriate to the area.
7. Organising Clubs may wish to adopt this risk assessment as their own and in doing so may add additional measures to suit local needs. If using this risk assessment, an Organising Club accepts responsibility for its content and accepts the control measures that have been identified.
8. As the initial assessed level of risk has reduced, so the residual level of risk has been re-assessed as a result of recommended control measures to be put in place considered to be suitable and sufficient and to adopt a position of as low as is reasonably practicable in terms of the control measures put in place to mitigate the risk.

### RISK ASSESSMENT

**Implementation of Covid-19 Policy at Events.** The responsibility for the implementation and if required the adaptation of the Covid-19 policy at events rests with the Clerk of the Course and the Chief Medical Officer with the Chief Medical Officer making any final decisions as necessary.

**NHS Vaccine.** The very successful NHS Vaccine programme continues at a pace and provides a significant control measure in mitigation of the risk against Covid-19. As such the NHS Vaccine programme features as a key control measure in the detailed risk assessment outlined below. A very large proportion of Marshals and Officials who sign on will have already received the vaccine. That coupled with those who have anti-bodies from having contracted the virus suggests a significant proportion of the Trials community will already have protection.

**Testing positive for Covid-19.** Competitors / Officials or someone in their household or support bubble who have tested positive for Covid-19 should not travel to or attend the event. Individuals who are showing symptoms or have tested positive should follow the guidance / advice issued by the UK Government.

**Signage.** Signage should be displayed prominently at the venue in obvious locations where persons are likely to congregate to emphasise any social distancing measures that may be in place in accordance with UK Government advice/guidance issued.

**Entry to the Event.** Entry fees should be paid online prior to the event. Cash may be taken at the event but to mitigate the risk of infection, it would be helpful if entry fees were paid online via the ACU On-Line system or a system already set up and in place by the Organising Club.

**Social distancing.** There is no longer a restriction on the number of competitors permitted to enter the event. Organisers should consider though the size of the venue and consider the amount of entries they can safely and comfortably accommodate. Organisers may consider or suggest face masks are worn in areas where social distancing is cramped. The wearing of face masks is now a consideration for the individual and personal choice.

**Podium Presentations.** Podium presentations may take place provided Social Distancing measures are adhered to. There is no requirement for face masks to be worn if the competitors are spaced out on the podium, however if spacing is not possible, then face masks should be worn. Trophies should be sanitised before being placed in front of the competitor. If microphones are to be used, they should not be passed between individuals. There should be no physical contact (shaking of hands, hugging etc).

**Litter and Waste.** It is the responsibility of each rider / Official / member of the public to take their own litter / waste away with them. This should happen as a matter of course, but given the circumstances surrounding Covid-19 this is now much more prevalent.

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(a)	(b)	(c)		(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
						<b>Severity x Likelihood = Risk Rating</b>		
1	Underlying health issues of:  Competitors Officials	Officials Competitors	Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.  Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.  Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.  Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self-isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance  Mental health / personal well-being issues caused by self-isolation	ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance  ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place  Dependent on UK Government Advice / guidance; social distancing measures enforced, alternatively, it is at the discretion of the Event Organiser dependent on the venue. The Local Authority may also impose restrictions dependent on the rate of infection in a specific area.  NHS and Emergency Services  NHS Vaccine programme  Riders / Officials who have tested positive for Covid-19 should not travel to the venue and seek further advice from the NHS  Social distancing measures put in place at Signing On  Competitor / Official briefings given by CofC prior to the start competition. Briefings should be given by Tannoy system / loudspeaker or briefing sent by electronic means prior to the event.  Contact / Emergency numbers for medical support  Effective Radio Communication system  Licenced and experienced Clerk of the Course  Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions	ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance  Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance  Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed	3x1	3	Low

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2	Travel to and from the Venue	Officials Competitors	<p>Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.</p> <p>Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.</p> <p>Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.</p> <p>Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self-isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance</p> <p>Mental health / personal well-being issues caused by self-isolation</p>	<p>ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance</p> <p>ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place in a safe and controlled environment</p> <p>Dependent on UK Government Advice / guidance; travel restrictions might apply, particularly between constituent parts of the UK.</p> <p>NHS and Emergency Services</p> <p>NHS Vaccine Programme</p> <p>Riders / Officials who have tested positive for Covid-19 should not travel to the venue and seek further advice from the NHS</p> <p>Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions</p>	<p>ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed</p>	3x1	3	Low

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3	Slips, Trips and Falls  Spread of infection  Risk of contracting virus	Officials Competitors	Minor injury / Serious injury / Broken limbs/ Fractures / sprains Damage to equipment  Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.  Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.  Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.  Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self- isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance  Mental health / personal well- being issues caused by self- isolation	Hazard removed if able to do so. Area cordoned off with signage / tape to isolate hazard. Where obstacles cannot be moved, area cordoned off with appropriate signage / tape. Warning Signs to be displayed ie. 'Motorsport is Dangerous' signs Emergency Contact Numbers Injuries reported to relevant Emergency Services ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance  ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place  NHS Emergency Services  NHS Vaccine Programme  Social distancing measures apply as per government advice / guidelines  Hand Sanitizers made available  Trained and competent Clerk of the Course  Competent Officials with appropriate PPE  ACU Registered / Licenced competitors  Effective Radio Communication system  Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions	ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance  Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance  Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed	3x1	3	Low

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4	<p>Signing On</p> <p>Spread of infection</p> <p>Risk of contracting virus</p>	<p>Officials</p> <p>Competitors</p>	<p>Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.</p> <p>Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.</p> <p>Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.</p> <p>Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self-isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance</p> <p>Mental health / personal well-being issues caused by self-isolation</p>	<p>ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance</p> <p>ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place</p> <p>Social distancing measures apply as per government advice / guidelines</p> <p>Transparent plastic screens installed to protect Event Administration personnel</p> <p>Hand Sanitizers made available</p> <p>Where possible information required disseminated by electronic means</p> <p>Loudspeaker / tannoy system</p> <p>Notice Boards</p> <p>Signage to emphasise social distancing</p> <p>Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions</p>	<p>ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed</p>	3x1	3	Low

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5	<p>Competitors lose control of machine.</p> <p>Spread of infection</p> <p>Risk of contracting virus</p>	Officials Competitors	<p>Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.</p> <p>Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.</p> <p>Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.</p> <p>Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self-isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance</p> <p>Mental health / personal well-being issues caused by self-isolation</p>	<p>ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance</p> <p>ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place</p> <p>NHS and Emergency Services</p> <p>NHS Vaccine Programme</p> <p>Social distancing measures apply as per government advice / guidelines</p> <p>Face coverings to be worn by Officials / Medics tending injured party</p> <p>Organisers to ensure that competitors ride in a class that matches their ability and sections should not include any potentially challenging elements.</p> <p>Hand Sanitizers made available</p> <p>Trained and competent Clerk of the Course</p> <p>ACU Registered / Licenced competitors</p> <p>Effective Communication system</p> <p>Emergency/contact numbers for  Medical support (with appropriate PPE)</p> <p>Rider / Officials Briefing prior to the start of competition</p> <p>Loudspeaker / Tannoy system</p> <p>Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions</p>	<p>ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed</p>	4x2	8	Medium



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6	<p>Youth participant loses control of machine.</p> <p>Spread of infection</p> <p>Risk of contracting virus</p>	<p>Officials</p> <p>Competitors</p> <p>Parent / Legal Guardian</p>	<p>Individual(s) contract Covid-19 virus.</p> <p>Individuals act as carriers and transmit virus to others.</p> <p>Individuals become ill and admitted to hospital.</p> <p>Families of individuals who have contracted Covid-19 are required to self-isolate as per UK Government Advice / Guidance</p> <p>Mental health / personal well-being issues caused by self-isolation</p>	<p>ACU Ltd (governing body) follow UK Government advice / guidance</p> <p>ACU Ltd only issue permit / once UK Government have issued suitable advice/guidance which would allow motorcycle sport to take place</p> <p>Social distancing measures apply as per government advice / guidelines</p> <p>NHS and emergency services</p> <p>NHS Vaccine programme</p> <p>Organisers to ensure that participants ride in a class that matches their ability and sections should not include any potentially challenging elements.</p> <p>Fallen youth participants to be assisted by accompanying parent / legal guardian</p> <p>Face coverings to be worn by Officials / Medics tending injured party</p> <p>Hand Sanitizers made available</p> <p>Trained and competent Clerk of the Course</p> <p>ACU Registered / Licenced competitors</p> <p>Effective Communication system</p> <p>Emergency/contact numbers for  Medical support (with appropriate PPE)</p> <p>Rider / Officials Briefing prior to the start of competition</p> <p>Loudspeaker / Tannoy system</p> <p>Supplementary Regulations / Final Instructions</p>	<p>ACU Ltd continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Organising Club continue to monitor and follow UK Government Advice / guidance</p> <p>Updated control measures put in place by Organising Club that adhere to UK Government advice as and when reviewed</p>	4x2	8	Medium