



Support, Help & Integration in Perthshire
for young people with additional support needs

Requirements for Cleaning relating to Health and Safety (COVID-19 Protocol)

This document will outline the additional measures SHIP will follow in relation to infection control and COVID-19.

The practices in this document will be used in addition to SHIP's infection control policy and is not a substitute thereof. Staff will:

1. Ensure all current infection prevention and control practices are adhered to. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Ensuring all toys used at the centre are made of material that can be cleaned and disinfected (i.e. avoid plush toys)
 - Increasing the frequency of cleaning and disinfecting objects, toys and frequently touched surfaces
 - Frequently touched surfaces are most likely to become contaminated, including doorknobs, light switches, toilet handles, and tabletops, and must be disinfected at least twice a session
 - Only use disinfectants that have a Drug Identification Number (DIN). Low-level hospital grade disinfectants may be used
 - Check expiry dates of products used and always follow the manufacturer's instructions
 - Perform proper hand hygiene (including assisting children with hand hygiene)
 - Incorporate additional hand hygiene opportunities into the daily schedule.



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2. Encourage more physical space between children by:
 - Spreading children out into different areas
 - Staggering or alternating lunchtime and outdoor playtime
 - Incorporating more individual activities or activities that encourage more space between children.

3. Do not use water or sensory tables.

4. Do not use community playgrounds. However, outdoor play at licensed childcare sites is encouraged in small groups in order to encourage physical distancing.

5. SHIP will not provide snacks - these must be provided by the family/carer.

6. Children must not share soothers, bottles, sippy cups, facecloths, etc. Label these items with the child's name to discourage accidental sharing.

7. Enforce "no food sharing" policy.

8. If meals or snacks are provided by parents, ensure each child has their own individual meal or snack. Multi-use utensils must be sanitized.

9. Pick-up and drop-off of children should happen outside the childcare setting, unless it is determined that there is a need for the parent/guardian to enter the setting.

10. Avoid getting close to the faces of children, where possible.



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SHIP will have a designated 'Cleaning Zone' where all used items will be placed. Items will be thoroughly cleaned using an appropriate method before another person can use them.