

DCU Style Society COVID-19 Protocol

DCU Style Society recognises the importance of protecting the health and well-being of our members and fellow students from COVID-19. We aim to ensure this by implementing the following polices:

1. Following and respecting DCU's health and safety guidelines and ensuring they are adhered to and known by our committee and members.
2. Three COVID-19 Officers have been appointed who have completed the *COVID-19 Return to Sport Phase 3* course. At least one officer will be present at each event. These officers are dedicated to ensuring COVID-19 regulations such as social distancing, sanitation and the use of face coverings during events are adhered to and to carry out the COVID-19 protocol if a case were to arise.
3. Member contact tracing will take place, when possible prior to each event. Each member will be made aware of information collection and retention policy in accordance to GDPR.
4. COVID-19 safety questionnaires will also be given to event attendees prior to all events to ensure that members do not attend an event if:
 - They are experiencing Covid-19 symptoms.
 - They have tested positive for Covid-19 in the last 14 days.
 - They are awaiting a Covid-19 test result.
 - They have been advised to self-isolate.
 - They have been in contact with a person who has tested positive for Covid-19 in the last 14 days.If a member is displaying symptoms, has tested positive, isolating or has been in contact with an individual who has tested positive, they will be advised to remain at home for in-person events .
5. Records will be kept on the number of members attending events to ensure we do not surpass a safe level of participants at the rooms capacity.
6. Events will be held either outside or in a well-ventilated area. For longer events, we will ensure ventilation breaks are provided that are supervised and continue to follow health guidelines. When social distancing is not possible, we will encourage the use of face-coverings.
7. At events Covid-19 officers will ensure all procedures are adhered to such as;
 - Encouraging hand sanitisation prior to entering the event and throughout.
 - Encouraging social distancing to be kept when possible.
 - Encouraging attendees to use a face-covering throughout the event.
 - Regular sanitisation of equipment prior and throughout the event.
8. If an attendee begins to display symptoms such as a cough, difficulty breathing or a temperature the following actions will be taken;
 - a) The Covid-19 officers will be notified and will provide the member with a space of isolation (see below), where the officer will assess if the member should contact their doctor or continue to self-isolate at home.
 - b) If the individual needs ambulance assistance, the area will continue to be isolated,

an ambulance will be called advising of suspect of a Covid-19 case. The officer will remain with the individual, at a 2M apart distance, until the ambulance arrives. Alternatively, DCU First Aid Response can be contacted on 5999.

c) If the individual is safe to return home independently or without public transport while adhering to social distancing, the individual will continue to isolate and be advised to contact their doctor, outlining their symptoms at present.

d) The Covid-19 officer will notify management who will notify the Chief Operations Officer (COO).

e) The Covid-19 officer will make contact tracing details available to the COO, records kept regarding direct contact to identify people who have been in contact with the individual. If the individual tests positive for Covid-19, the HSE may advise direct contacts on any actions or precautions that should be taken.

The following spaces are designated isolation rooms available for staff and students:

Glasnevin Campus: Student Health Centre, Henry Grattan Building.

St.Patrick's Campus: Student Health Centre, Block A.

All Hallows Campus: PG08, Purcell House.

9. We will ensure communication with our members regarding any information in relation to Style Society and Covid-19, this information including;
- Ensuring they are aware of who the Covid-19 Officers are.
 - Ensuring they are aware of the Style Society Covid-19 protocol.
 - Directing them to Covid-19 Officers if they are concerned about themselves, or another member displaying symptoms of Covid-19.
 - Updating members on changes on Clubs and Socs guidelines.
 - Providing members with relevant supports and helplines on educating themselves in stopping the spread of Covid-19, such as DCU Health and Safety and the HSE.