



DCU Christian Union Covid-19 Protocol



Purpose

This Covid-19 Protocol outlines how DCU Christian Union (DCUCU) will plan and manage activities in order to ensure the safety and well-being of members and third parties who may be affected by the activities of the society. This Covid-19 protocol applies to all who are involved in DCUCU events in any capacity.

General

DCUCU operates under guidance from [Christian Unions Ireland](#), our National Governing Body (NGB). General activities undertaken by the DCUCU include small group meetings, bible studies, social events and teaching events from members and occasionally visiting speakers. These activities will proceed throughout the year, when they can be conducted in line with government guidelines and college specifications.

In light of the Covid-19 situation, where possible all general activities will be conducted with additional online options to facilitate involvement for all members of the DCU community.

Covid-19 procedures

DCUCU is committed to operating in line with the most current guidelines provided by the government and DCU in regards to the covid-19 epidemic.

Before Event

All events will be considered in light of the Covid-19 situation. Where in-person events are possible a controlled environment in which physical distancing and other protective measures are possible will be used to host events. Each member will complete a health screening at least 3 days prior to involvement in events. Activities involving a potentially higher level of risk (eg. gatherings indoors) will be assessed dynamically by the Covid-19 coordinators. Where in-person events are not possible, online events will continue.

During Event

At all in-person events and activities members will be advised by the Covid-19 coordinator as to the protocols associated with that particular event. Attendance will be taken at each event and recorded as per college specifications.

After Events

As well as protective measures occurring after events, the covid-19 coordinators will evaluate an event to inform future events to ensure ongoing dynamic assessment.

General Protective Measures

All surfaces will be sanitised before and after events. Events will be limited to an hour and a half in-person interaction. Members will wear face coverings at indoor events. All other measures will be subject to government and college regulations.

Note

As well as maintaining records of participants and controlling event environments, Covid-19 coordinators will manage any suspected cases of Covid-19 and will liaise closely with the Society Life Committee.

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DCU Clubs / Socs Activity Risk Assessment Template

Outline of hazards associated with club/society activities and measures the club/society takes or will take to minimize risk of injury to members or third parties

Hazard / Activity <i>with potential to cause injury</i>	Controls Already in Place <i>(what actions /procedures are you already doing to minimize possibility of injury)</i>	Risk Category (High/Medium/Low) <i>(considering the actions / procedures you already have in place)</i>	Further Controls Being Implemented To Reduce Risk <i>(eg First Aid / area to be inspected prior to start Require equipment test certs etc)</i>	Date to be Completed <i>Can be – 1 on the day 2 every time the equipment is taken out 3 Nov xxth (If a once off task) etc</i>
Serving and Sharing Food and Drink (including hot drinks)	Nuts are avoided, members asked about allergies	Formerly low In regards to covid-19 - high	In line with government regulations communal food (eg. buffet style) will not be available. All food and drink available at events will be considered and served in line with government and college guidelines.	2021