



Guidance for Rally Marshals running Rallies during the Corona Virus Pandemic

The corona virus pandemic has had enormous impact on our lives to date and we all want to get out in our caravans and motorhomes as soon as possible. This document is intended to help Rally Marshals ensure that when we can start rallying again for Fun and Fellowship, we do so safely.

Once the Government regulations permit ICFR Rallies to be held, there are going to be a number of measures that Rally Marshals must implement for the foreseeable future in order to protect both Rally attendees and ICFR.

It is anticipated that the regulations will change from time to time and this document will be updated as things evolve. Rally Marshals should always check with the ICFR Website or the Programme Secretary (Tim@ShepLan.eu) that they have the latest version of this document at the start of their rally.

The key issues that Rally Marshals need to consider are limits on the size of group activities, potential restrictions on facilities on sites, maintaining social distancing and surface cleansing of common areas.

Government guidance indicates that the risk of infection is significantly reduced outdoors, but current guidance is still to maintain a 2m separation between people from different households.

From 4th July, people can gather in groups from 2 households or support bubbles, but the government has stated that it will be illegal to gather in groups of more than 30 people.

This will make activities such as Van Hospitality and most group activities impractical until the regulations change further. Even in fine weather when everyone can meet outdoors and maintain the recommended social distances, group events are unlikely to be practical within current guidelines.

It is recommended that Rally Marshals simply provide suggestions of activities or places to visit in the area and let rally attendees individually decide on what to do and when.

It is likely that sites may have to impose restrictions on the use of common facilities such as shower and toilet blocks or waste disposal facilities. Rally Marshals must check prior to the start of a rally what restrictions the site has imposed and make sure all rally attendees are aware of the restrictions – ideally as part of their welcome pack.

If shower and/or toilet facilities are not open or have significant restrictions, Rally Marshals must make rally attendees aware of this in advance wherever possible.

It is recommended that Rally Marshals contact rally attendees a few days prior to the start of the rally to ask if they, or any household members, had any covid symptoms, or been in touch with anyone else

who has shown symptoms in the last 14 days. If the answer is yes, then they should be instructed not to attend the rally. Rally Marshals should ask attendees the same question on arrival.

If any rally attendee becomes ill or starts to exhibit symptoms of covid 19 (corona virus) which are :-

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell

they must immediately notify the Rally Marshal, pack up, leave the rally and return home.

Rally Marshals must also at the start of a rally remind attendees that when using water taps and waste disposal facilities, they should clean all taps, handles and associated surfaces that they may touch whilst using the facility with antiseptic wipes before AND after use.