

Back to the Fold - Check List

Risk level: H = High, M = Medium, L = Low

Action Point	Y/N	Risk	Ownership	Next steps
Pre return - People		Level		
Do you need to go back to the main place of				
work?				
Can you still operate fully working remotely?				
Identify who is still				
• shielding,				
• living with a key worker (Who has to				
go out to work),				
 other higher-risk employees e.g. 				
pregnant, disabilities, other health				
conditions,				
 family or caring considerations. 				
Review who is furloughed and who you need				
to come back:				
Client need				
Skills set				
 Travel arrangements 				
 Caring/ family commitments 				
High risk employees				
Review in line with Government guidance on				
the furlough scheme (amend if it's possible to				
come back part time and claim furlough)				
Maximum safe occupancy for each room/				
workspace based on social distancing				
Shift pattern/ employee rotation – 1 day in the				
office, 1 day at home?				
Prepare return schedule with return dates and rotation schedule				
Pre return - Building Deep cleaning the building pre-open	[1		[
Ensure adequate cleaning supplies Ensure adequate sanitising equipment for all				
employees, desks and communal areas				
Prepare signage for all areas – 2m apart and				
hygiene				
Book daily end of day clean and weekly deep				
clean for office with cleaning company				
Review entry and exit into the building:				
• Do we need different entry and exit				
points?				



 Do we need to change how we enter e.g. if a buzzer, sanitation required after each touch 	
Can we install a touchless entry	
system?Do we need to install sanitiser by the	
entry and exit points?Do we need a method to temperature	
check employees as they come inIf high traffic, do we need to assign on	
a rota basis someone to watch the doors?	
 Do we have issues of cross contamination when coming into work? 	
 Do we need to review locker rooms/ changing facilities? 	
Kitchen and dining facilities:	
• Reduce points of contact e.g. no	
cupboard doors	
Additional sanitation at start, middle	
and end of dayRecreation equipment – out of use	
Pre return – H&S	
Return to work risk assessments – Gov.uk and	
HSE websites	
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-	
safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/offices-	
and-contact-centres#offices-2-3	
https://www.hse.gov.uk/risk/assessment.htm	
Risk assessment for remote workers on client	
sites –	
Virtual consultancy as standard?	
Review client's Pandemic risk assessments (on website or ack for	
assessments (on website or ask for copy)	
 Process for consultants to follow if 	
they are on client site and feel at risk	
(general H&S as well as Pandemic	
related)	
Update return to work health questionnaire	
to cover Covid-19 illness	
Appoint Covid-19 H&S champ & ensure they	
are trained	
Review and change physical layout of office/ workspace to ensure social distancing	



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Does new equipment need to be ordered to			
enable Social Distancing?			
Extra desks			
Plastic screens			
 Hand sanitiser dispensers 			
Prepare H&S training for returning team			
Social distancing			
Changes to manual handling			
 Illness reporting 			
RIDDOR requirements			
Order PPE if required (masks, gloves,			
sanitiser)			
Allocate PPE store(s) throughout the building			
with signage			
Pre- return Communication			
All hands call to communicate the RTW plan			
Speak individually with those who are:			
Coming back to office – no family/			
shielding concerns			
Coming back to office – with family/			
shielding concerns. Give option to still			
work from home			
Remaining working from home – no			
need to be in office or shielding/ live			
with key workers			
 Remaining furloughed 			
Schedule calls with managers			
HR prepare briefing note aide memoire			
Share return schedule with the team			