



## FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT

### **Socially Connected: Physically Protected**

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#### **Practical considerations and recommendations for secular meetings and non-sporting groups - 26 May 2020**

The Falkland Islands Government on May 1, 2020, announced it was appropriate to ease some restrictions put in place in late March in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

These changes, which were effective May 11, include allowing greater social interaction.

Recognising the importance of social connection, adult and youth groups, societies, associations and those holding secular meetings can now begin to consider ways in which they can safely recommence gatherings supporting the well-being of the community.

This guidance does not apply to playparks, competitive and extreme sports groups for which the restrictions have not yet been lifted.

The following are some basic recommendations to support good public health hygiene.

#### **Recommendations:**

- Providing handwashing/sanitisation facilities at the entrance to buildings and at strategic locations within the building
- Implementing measures to ensure physical distancing of at least 2 meters between people, this may mean limiting numbers
- Ensuring facilities and premises are regularly cleaned
- Ensuring good ventilation in indoor spaces
- Avoiding social gatherings such as shared refreshments after gatherings
- Develop a written plan to document the processes you have in place to support safe attendance

In addition to these good public health hygiene measures, if applicable to your group you may also need to consider:

- Advice from your parent organisation
- Advice from your governing body
- Advice from your insurance company
- Levels of supervision required

These recommendations are for guidance and may change as the situation develops.

### **Useful Contacts**

For medical enquires    KEMH    Telephone 28000

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If you still require advice after consulting the website, please contact Falkland Islands Public Health Unit by emailing Carol Morrison ( [cmorrison@sec.gov.fk](mailto:cmorrison@sec.gov.fk) ) with your enquiry.