

Running your club/soc through Covid-19

Due to Covid-19, we have had to make some changes to how we run our activities to ensure that we are following current safety measures set out by the government. While some activities will have to be limited or move online, we'll do our best to support you and work with you in any new ideas you have to keep your club/society running.

Now more than ever your clubs and societies are important in connecting people, preventing isolation, and helping others to de-stress from everything that's going on. Please keep on doing what you're doing!

(Note that government advice is ever-changing so this guidance might be subject to change. We'll keep in touch about any major changes and how these changes might impact you.)

Our Road Map:

Note, that even though restrictions are loosening, it's up to you how you'd like to run your club/soc. You can keep hosting online sessions, do a mixture of online and in-person or keep sessions on hold. There's no pressure.

29th March - Step 1

Current guidelines: 'Outdoor gatherings (including in private gardens) of either 6 people (the Rule of 6) or 2 households will also be allowed'

'Outdoor sports facilities such as tennis and basketball courts, and open-air swimming pools, will also be allowed to reopen, and people will be able to take part in formally organised outdoor sports.'

What this means for you: You can arrange for small outdoor socials. If you'd like to do this, let Nuala know. You'll need an outdoor meeting risk assessment, the outdoor meeting guidance doc and a booking system to ensure you stick to capacity.

Outdoor (non-contact) sports can return. If you'd like to organise outdoor activities for your club, even if you usually train indoors, contact Nuala to arrange. You'll need to have an online booking form in place, an outdoor risk assessment and some guidance from your sporting body on Covid-safe play.

Not before 12th April - Step 2

Not much relevant change for this one. If you'd like to meet in groups of max 6 at outdoor cafes/restaurants, please continue with the same steps as general outdoor meetings.

Our Road Map (continued):

Not before 17th May - Step 3

Current guidelines: 'Gatherings of over 30 people will remain illegal. Indoors, the Rule of 6 or 2 households will apply'

'Indoor adult group sports and exercise classes' permitted

What this means for you: You can arrange for larger outdoor socials. If you'd like to do this, let Nuala know. You'll need an outdoor meeting risk assessment, the outdoor meeting guidance doc and a booking system to ensure you stick to capacity.

We can look at organising you indoor meetings of small groups. If you're interested in this, let Nuala know. AUBSU will look into available campus rooms, but you are also welcome to meet off-campus if that works for you.

Indoor (non-contact) sports can return. We are happy to arrange sessions for you if you think there would be demand for them. If you'd like to organise indoor activities for your club, contact Nuala to arrange. You'll need to have an online booking form in place, an outdoor risk assessment and some guidance from your sporting body on Covid-safe play.

Not before 21st June - Step 4

Current guidelines: 'The government hopes to be in a position to remove all legal limits on social contact.'

What this means for you: It'll be late in the year by then but should you want to hold club/society activities over summer you would be permitted to do so. Please ensure Nuala is kept up to date with any trips or activities that would need risk assessments etc.

Sports Clubs can attend competitions and events like Bournemouth 7s.

Other Notices:

AGMs

At least one member of your club/soc should have attended AGM training (unless you are a new society).

AGMS must be held before 14th May, unless otherwise discussed with AUBSU.

AGM guidance and documents can be found in the Useful Documents section of the website:

aubsu.co.uk/activities/useful_documents

Funding

Please use your funding! Societies are granted £25, which needs to be spent or allocated by the end of April. You can also apply for additional funding if there's extra stuff you might like. Think equipment, competition prizes, guest speakers etc.

2021-2022

In your AGM Development Form, you are asked to plan for next year and let AUBSU know of any rooms/resources you might need. Please have a think about this and next year so we have notice to prepare for your activities.

Freshers' Fair

We're hoping for an in-person Freshers' Fair but we will review this over summer. Have a think about ideas for an interactive stall at Freshers' Fair, as well as online promo so you're fully prepped whatever the circumstances!