



## CTC COVID 19 Safety and Boarding and Accommodation Provision September 2020

We are currently preparing to welcome our Boarders back to CTC in September and have been working hard to ensure we get things right for each and every student in our care. There is no doubt that the Coronavirus pandemic has seen many challenges globally and we all understand that this has been a very difficult and uncertain time for millions of people.

As the UK and some countries begin to return to a new normal way of life we are all fully aware that the safety and well-being of our entire College community remains our paramount concern. CTC pledges that we will implement all UK Government advised protective measures against COVID 19 and meet all the demands of the very stringent hygiene and social distancing requirements.

As a member of the British Boarding Schools Association CTC has signed up to the BSA Covid Safe Charter along with 260 other UK schools to ensure that all children and young people are protected as much as possible from this coronavirus. More details on this Charter can be found on their website: <https://www.boarding.org.uk/>

We understand that parents and students may have questions regarding our current arrangements so we have prepared this information sheet to help answer any questions you may have. This sheet will be updated regularly as the situation as we know is still liable to change in the months ahead.

### When will the College reopen?

At the moment we are planning to reopen for all courses on Monday 7 September 2020.

There will be a 2 day Induction Course for all new students on Thursday 3 and Friday 4 September 2020.

All CTC Accommodation – Host Family and our Boarding House will be available for new students from Tuesday 1 September 2020 and for returning students from Saturday 5 September 2020.

The College will be live streaming all classes for any student whose return is delayed due to visa delays, any quarantine measures, flight restrictions etc. This will continue throughout the first term so no student is disadvantaged by the Coronavirus pandemic situation.

### Will International Boarders be required to quarantine on arrival in the UK?

The guidance on this is still subject to variation with the UK Government aiming to establish reciprocal travel corridors with countries with low infection rates as quickly as possible. For those countries without such an agreement the current quarantine period is 14 days. The UK Government has confirmed that schools will be considered as suitable accommodation for any quarantine requirement.

Further details on which counties need to comply with quarantine arrangements can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk>

<https://www.gov.uk/provide-journey-contact-details-before-travel-uk>

This includes the form that currently needs to be submitted prior to travel. We are hoping that this guidance changes before September, but if quarantine is still in place students will undertake their courses on line until their quarantine period is completed.

We will also be discouraging travelling outside of the UK during CTC Holiday periods for the foreseeable future to ensure our students' education is not disrupted and to prevent unnecessary risks being taken with our entire CTC community.

### Safety In College

We will be implementing a number of additional safety measures at the College site which will include:

#### General:

- Any visitors will be questioned as to whether they have been in contact with anyone with symptoms or have symptoms themselves
- There will be no hand shaking or physical greeting allowed
- The College will be well ventilated with extra windows open to enhance ventilation
- The use of air conditioning will be not be permitted
- There will be some staggered lunches and breaks to reduce the numbers coming into contact at any one time
- The College will be deep cleaned prior to reopening
- Extra cleaning routines will be undertaken to help eliminate the risk of any virus from frequently touched surfaces such as door handles, hand rails and other universally used equipment
- General social distancing throughout the College site will be in place
- Set years will be placed in bubbles where possible, including mealtimes and recreational periods to reduce the risk of crowded areas.
- Students will be encouraged to maintain a safe distance at all times and when possible to do so

#### Hand Washing and Personal Safety:

- Posters will be displayed on the safe way to wash hands effectively and regularly
- Extra sanitising points will be placed on every level of the entire site and immediately at all points of entry and exit
- Sanitising fluid will be available in every classroom and everyone will be expected to sanitise their hands on entering and leaving every classroom
- All lessons will be forward facing
- Everyone will be encouraged to cough or sneeze into a tissue which is immediately disposed of
- Numerous posters on Catch it, Bin it, Kill it will be displayed
- Tissues will be placed in every classroom
- If no tissue is available then individuals will be encouraged to cough into their elbow
- We expect everyone to be socially responsible with their personal hygiene and considerate at all times towards others
- We will permit the wearing of face masks in College, individuals will be responsible for the safe disposal of any used face coverings

#### If someone becomes unwell:

- If any member of our community exhibits symptoms of a fever or any of the symptoms they may have COVID 19 or that they have come into contact with anyone in this situation they must NOT come into College and contact the College for further guidance
- They will be able to proceed to be tested via the NHS Track and Trace system

Please do not hesitate to contact the College with any further questions via the main office, your enquiry will be redirected if necessary: [mainoffice@ctc.ac.uk](mailto:mainoffice@ctc.ac.uk) or telephone + 44 (0) 20 8688 5284/7363

Official Links which will contain daily updated information:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>

<https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-for-uk-visa-applicants-and-temporary-uk-residents>

World Health Organisation <https://www.who.int/>

British Boarding Schools Association <https://www.boarding.org.uk/>

Independent Schools Council <https://www.isc.co.uk/>