

Resuming Pipe Band Practise under COVID-19 Restriction

In order that we can resume practise from the 7th June (Level 1), we must adhere to the Scottish Government guidance for The Performing Arts & Venue Centres. The following pages outline our process for conducting our practises in accordance with the guidelines in order to mitigate risk.

Our Practise Facility

There are limits on the number of people who can accommodate the specific halls / rooms (with social distancing in place) within our practise facility. These have been advised by the Church from which we rent the accommodation as follows:

- Main Hall - 50
- Back Room - 10
- Stage - Part of Main Hall numbers
- Kitchen - 6

In order to see how we can manage the band within the advised numbers see the Hall Layout diagram (Part of this document)

Administration

You will be asked to complete a form with your medical info (Inc. Vaccine info)

Pre -Arrival

Carry out Lateral Flow Test (test must be carried within 24 hours of attending any practise)

Take picture of the test result (Present on Arrival at Practise)

If you fail to bring a picture of a negative result then you will be refused entry to the practise

The requirement to continue with Lateral flow testing will be reviewed monthly

Only attend the practise if:

- The test result is Negative
- You are **not** displaying symptoms:
 - continuous new cough
 - fever/high temperature (37.8C or greater)
 - loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste (anosmia)

Arrival

Arrive wearing a face covering

1 way system is adopted (enter through normal entrance)

On entry your temperature will be taken

Hand Sanitise

The hall will be ventilated as follows:

- Main Hall - Front door & Fire Exit
- Drummers Room - Main Hall Front Door & Kitchen Door

Complete your Name & Telephone Number in the Register

You will then be directed to your room & allocated a spot to stand at

If you require water at the practise bring it in a refillable container (can be refilled from the kitchen)

The use of the kitchen and other rooms in the hall for making or consuming food or hot drinks is not permitted

The use of toilet facilities will be limited to those facilities at the Fire exit at the stage end of the hall

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Pipers (Main Hall)

2 meters apart

Face to face will be avoided where possible, if required a face covering must be worn

While at your spot (marked on the floor):

- Remove your face covering
- Remove and assemble your bagpipes from their case and place the case behind your standing position
- If going to another area within the hall facility your face covering must be worn
- **Pipe Practise / Set Up**
 - Play standing from your spot
- **Setting of reeds / tuning of drones**
 - Face covering worn by the drone tuner
 - Setting of chanter reed face covering worn only when face to face
- **Playing Practise Chanter**
 - If we are playing practise chanters you will collect a chair from the store (1 piper at a time) and take it back to your spot
 - Clean the chair down using antibacterial wipes (provided)
 - When finished with the chair wipe down with antibacterial wipes and return it to the store

Drummers (Back room)

2 meters apart

Face to face will be avoided where possible, if required a face covering must be worn

If going to another area within the hall facility your face covering must be worn

All Snare drummers will take their drum home and bring to the practise as required

Each drummer will be provided with a drum pad & stand

Back Room (Practise / Set Up)

At your spot (marked on the floor):

- Remove the drum from its case and place it behind your standing position
- Assemble you drum pad & stand at your spot for practise
- When tuning drums the drum tuner must wear a mask if face to face

Main Hall

- Stand on the spot assigned for you as a snare drummer

Bass Section (Stage)

2 meters apart

Face to face will be avoided where possible, if required a face covering must be worn

If going to another area within the hall facility your face covering must be worn

All tenor drummers will take their drum home and bring to the practise as required

The Bass drum will remain in the Hall Cupboard

Stage (Practise / Set Up)

At your spot (marked on the floor):

- Remove the drum from its case and place it behind your spot
- Collect a chair from the store (If Required 1 tenor drummer at a time) and take it back to your spot
- Clean the chair down using antibacterial wipes (provided)
- When finished with the chair wipe down with antibacterial wipes and return it to the store
- When tuning drums the drum tuner must wear a mask if face to face

Main Hall

- Stand on the spot assigned for you as a Bass or Tenor drummer

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Ventilation

Should the hall require to be ventilated, this will be achieved by opening the main entrance, backroom and Fire Exit doors in order to provide a through draft throughout the building.

Departing

At the end of practise ensure:

- The Bass drum should be wiped down with Antibacterial wipes and returned to the cupboard for storage
- Ensure you have put all of your piping & drumming equipment in your case
- Ensure that any rubbish you have is taken home for disposal
- Leave by the exit 1 at a time

Clean up

The hall must be cleaned down in accordance the Hall letting guidance for COVID-19

- All hard surfaces wiped down (which have been used)
- Toilets checked and cleaned (if required)

Equipment Required

The following equipment is required in order to comply with the process above:

Band Member Supply

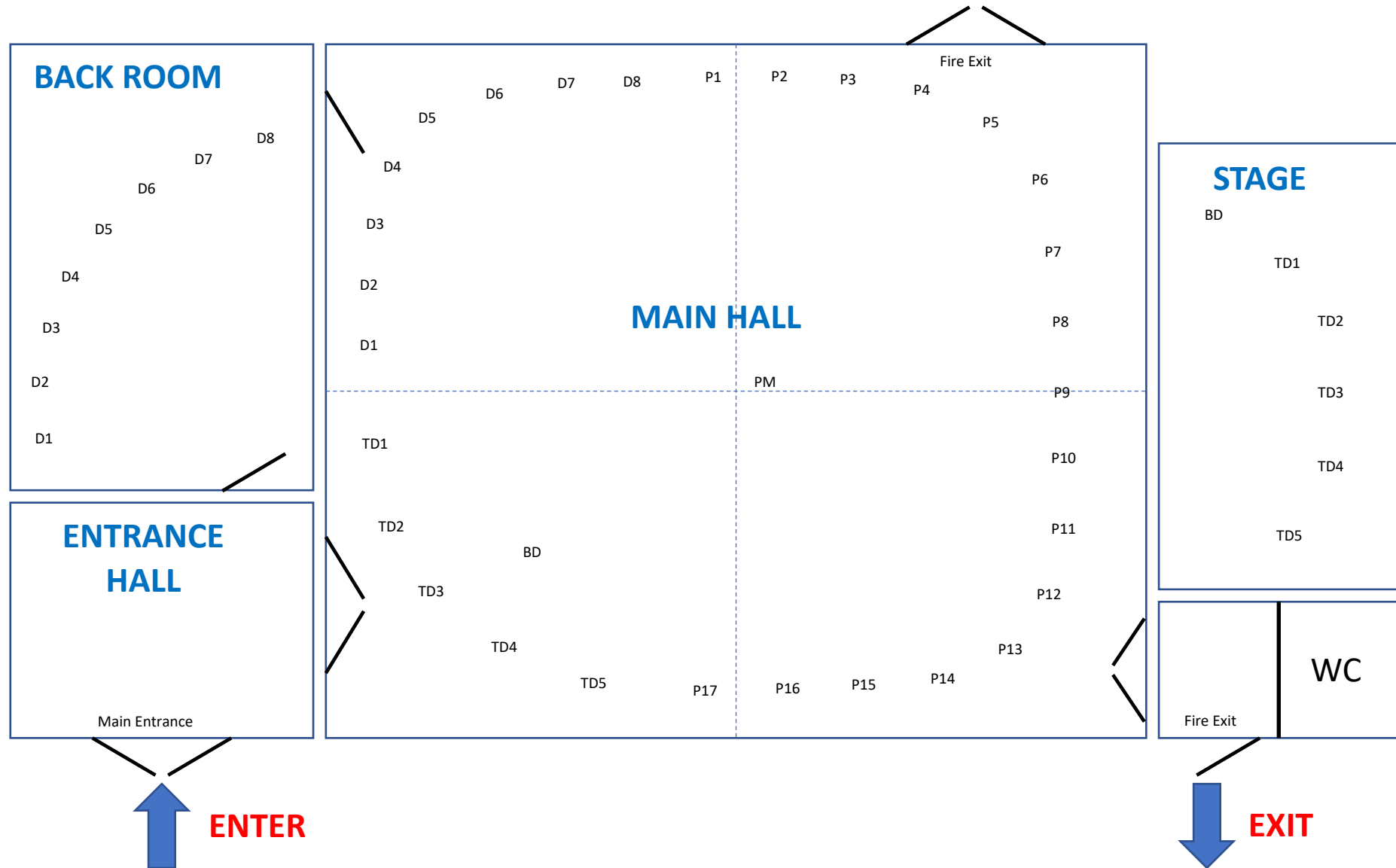
Lateral Flow Test Kit
Face Covering

Band Supply

Electronic Thermometer
Antibacterial Wipes
Hand Sanitiser

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Band Practise Arrival Registration

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

PIPERS

Name	Phone Number	Time In	Time Out	Position

Band Practise Arrival Registration

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Drummers & Committee

Name	Phone Number	Time In	Time Out	Position
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Medical Information Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Mobile Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

Medication: _____

COVID-19

Vaccine Jab 1 Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Vaccine Jab 2 Date: ____ / ____ / ____

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