



FLIGHT GUIDELINES for living with Covid-19

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Subject to review as per evolving situation regarding Covid 19 pandemic



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Following the Government's introduction of the National Framework for living with COVID-19 this document is the IHPA's interpretation and recommendations for flying activities at each of the five levels of risk.

Pilots are used to undergoing risk assessment before taking to the air. We ask all pilots to extend their assesment to include minimising the risk of accidental transmission of the Covid 19 virus.

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPALS FOR DECISION TO FLY

1. COMPLIANCE WITH CURRENT COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS

The need for full compliance with the five levels of risk to ensure free flying remains a 'low risk' activity.

2. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Taking personal responsibility for your own safety and decision making.

3. SELF HELP

Ensure that you have the means to return to landing/take off zone and your transport without assistance in the event of an unexpected non-distress situation.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT

Ensure you have assessed the risks associated with the conditions, equipment, flying site, etc. before making the decision to fly.

OVERVIEW OF FLYING ACTIVITIES AT EACH OF THE FIVE LEVELS OF RISK



	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
Travel Restrictions	All Ireland travel permitted		Stay in your respective county		Stay at home
Social Distancing*	Full compliance				
Flying Activities	XC (allowing for Social Distancing)		Only sites and airspace in your respective county		No Flying
Retrieves	Only people from same household				No Flying

*Avoid close contact with others • Distance yourself at least 2 metres (6 feet) away from other people • Small group sizes should be kept to a minimum • Don't arrange to meet up with other groups • Avoid an area if it looks very busy and go somewhere else for your exercises or activity • Wear face mask in confined spaces.