

Housing Checklist

COVID-19 cases are high nationally and in Newham. Therefore, we have developed a checklist for multiple accommodation buildings to help support management and residents reduce the spread of transmission.

If you have any further questions on this checklist, please contact us on publichealthenquiries@newham.gov.uk

Ventilation

The provision of fresh air into indoor environments is essential to reducing the spread of COVID-19.

- Open windows, air vents and doors to improve airflow inside communal areas.
- If you use mechanical ventilation, ensure that your systems are set to maximise fresh air and minimise air recirculation, especially if the same mechanical ventilation system is used in two or more buildings.

Spaces of Concern

- If there is a communal space with no air flow, limit access to 1 person

Cleaning

- Frequently clean objects and surfaces that people touch regularly. These include, for example, counters, desks, lifts, and stair rails. Use detergents, diluted bleach and/or alcohol based cleaning products.

Face coverings

- In England, face coverings are now required by law in most indoor public places, unless exempt. Staff should enforce the wearing of facemasks in indoor communal spaces and there should be signage displayed explaining the need for face coverings.

Hygiene: handwashing and sanitation facilities

- Provide regular reminders and signage for employees and residents to maintain hygiene standards.

Vaccination

Encourage your staff and residents to take all the doses of COVID vaccine when eligible.

Support

- There is a range of support to help with isolating for COVID-19 in Newham -- Information is available from the COVID – 19 helpline
- Call 020 7473 9711 or email covidhelp@community-links.org.
- <https://www.newham.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-19-advice-support/3>

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