



## **International Student Club Covid Safety Information**

We have been working hard at ISC to prepare for the safe return of our students and staff on our courses. Read all about our Covid safety measures and plans to welcome students to Bloxham School.

### **To keep everyone safe at ISC, there will be some changes to our programme:**

- Pre-course Covid safety training for all staff.
- Pre-course Covid safety information to be sent to agents, group leaders and students.
- Pre-course language testing to take place partially/fully remotely.
- Social distancing and one-way systems around campus.
- Use of hand-sanitising and cleaning stations throughout campus.
- Use of face masks and
- Use of Covid-19 tests.
- Use of 'extended bubbles' for students and staff. Bubbles of students will take lessons, activities and go on excursions together. They will also reside in boarding houses together, using the same shared facilities.
- Depending on numbers we hope to have 2 to 3 nationalities per bubble.
- Bubbles of students will still have the opportunity to make new international friends and experience all of the programme, while reducing the risk of Covid transmission.
- Staggered meal and break times for bubbles.
- Activities will be held in separate zones to reduce interaction between bubbles.
- Excursions to take place in the second week of the programme.
- Online classes and welfare support to be provided for students who need to isolate.
- Programmes are available to students from countries on the UK government's 'green' and 'amber' lists for international travel. Students from amber countries use the Test-to-Release scheme on day 5, meaning they can leave campus to go on excursions.



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## FAQs



### **What do I need to do if travelling from a 'green' country?**

Under current UK government guidelines, a person travelling from a green country needs to:

- have proof of a negative Covid-19 PCR test 72 hours prior to departure to the UK
- book and take a PCR test on/before day 2 in the UK.
- You may also need to have a PCR test 72 hours before your return travel, depending on your country's requirements.
- complete a 'Passenger Locator Form' with Bloxham School's address, ISC's telephone number and the reference number for your pre-booked PCR test. This must be presented at boarding.

### **What do I need to do if travelling from an 'amber' country?**

Under current UK government guidelines, a person travelling from an amber country needs to:

- have proof of a negative Covid-19 PCR test 72 hours prior to departure to the UK
- book and take two PCR tests on/before day 2 and on day 8 in the UK
- book and take a PCR test on day 5 as part of the Test-to-Release scheme.
- quarantine on campus for 10 days or use the Test-to-Release scheme to leave the quarantine period after receiving a negative day 5 PCR test result
- you may also need to have a PCR test 72 hours before your return travel, depending on your country's requirements.
- complete a 'Passenger Locator Form' with Bloxham School's address, ISC's telephone number and the reference numbers for your pre-booked PCR tests. This must be presented at boarding.

ISC will advise on government approved test providers and assist with the administration and postage of PCR tests in the UK. Parents are responsible for the cost of PCR tests and need to organise tests for their son/daughter prior to travel to the UK.



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### What insurance do I need?

All students and group leaders are required to have adequate Covid-19 cover as part of their travel insurance. ISC are able to offer comprehensive Covid-19 travel insurance through Guard Me Insurance at **£14 per person**, per course.

### What happens if someone has Covid-19 symptoms on campus?

The symptomatic individual will be supervised by an ISC staff member and a PCR test will be organised. They will have to isolate in their bedroom with a private bathroom. Meals, drinks and extra linen will be delivered to their room. Areas where the individual has spent time will be cleaned and disinfected. Anyone who has been in close contact with the symptomatic individual, will also need to self-isolate.

If the person is under 18, the nominated 'Responsible Person' - Al Dadge, Course Director, will contact NHS 111/119 to seek advice. Parents and agents will be contacted immediately. If the person is seriously ill, 999 will be called for an ambulance. While in the UK, international visitors with Covid-19 symptoms are entitled to free NHS tests and treatment.

### What happens if someone tests positive for Covid-19 at ISC?

Any individual at ISC who has a positive test result, or has been in close contact (e.g. a bubble) with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 will need to self-isolate for ten days, even if they are not showing symptoms.

ISC will contact the local health authority and fully comply with their decision on lockdown. If bubbles and social distancing are strictly observed, we hope to reduce the risk of the whole school having to self-isolate. Agents and parents will be immediately informed if a student has to self-isolate.

Staff/students must isolate in their bedrooms. A bathroom rota will be organised in the event of a group having to self-isolate. Meals, drinks and extra linen will be delivered to bedroom. Deep cleaning will take place where the individual has spent time.

ISC's directors will provide full welfare support and students can take part in ISC's daily online lessons and live, interactive sessions through Google Classroom.

In the event of a student having to self-isolate after their course end date, the ISC directors will remain on site to care for the students. The agent/parent should have adequate insurance in place to cover the cost of rescheduled flights and extra nights' accommodation and meals. The cost per extra night at Bloxham is **£33**.

### **What is ISC's cancellation policy?**

ISC guarantees a full refund of course fees up until two weeks before your course start date only if you are unable to travel due to Covid-19 international travel restrictions, imposed by the UK or your own government. Please ensure you have adequate travel insurance in case of testing positive for Covid or having to self-isolate prior to your departure to the UK, meaning you are unable to travel.

**\*This information will be reviewed and updated in line with UK government guidelines.  
ISC's Covid-19 Secure Risk Assessment can be found on our website.\***