**Special measures due to Covid-19**

* If you are exhibiting [COVID-19 symptoms](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/ERr_Cz6K4cGRRxwt4vt_t?domain=nhs.uk/) you cannot attend training and should follow the latest Government advice [here](file:///\\fs-02\tshome$\XA65\fcatton\Desktop\%09(www.nhs.uk\conditions\coronavirus-covid-19\symptoms).).
  + If you are in a situation where you should be self-isolating e.g. a family member has had symptoms or you yourself should be shielded as you are in an at-risk group you cannot attend training and should follow the latest Government advice [here](file:///\\fs-02\tshome$\XA65\fcatton\Desktop\%09https:\www.gov.uk\government\publications\guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19\guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19.).
  + Delegates should view two videos ahead of training regarding Covid-19 safety measures:

[How is Covid-19 Spread and how do you protect yourself against it?](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/cb7FCBrLXIDVVMMH6LjNc?domain=youtu.be)   
[How to wash your hands - NHS](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/iC9LCDq9ZToBBnnTAvNLD?domain=youtube.com)

* Delegates will be asked about the health of themselves and their family on arrival at the venue.
  + You must thoroughly sanitise your hands on arrival before training. Sanitising stations are available at Sans Souci. All venues have facilities for handwashing which should be used at appropriate times.
  + No food and drink is available at Sans Souci. Delegates are requested to bring the food and drink they will need for the day to the course. There is a ‘Costa Coffee Drive Thru’ nearby and a Sainsbury’s supermarket should delegates need to purchase food and drink. Refreshments may be available at Kingshurst Evangelical Church but course attendees may wish to bring their own.
  + You should also bring your own pens with you.
  + If you need to cough/sneeze this should be done into a tissue that is disposed of immediately. Failing that they should cough into a bent elbow (better than a bare hand) and NEVER cough/sneeze without covering their mouth/nose. If someone coughs on their hand or uses a tissue they should use alcohol sanitizer immediately.
  + Face coverings are not required during the training but you may wear one should you wish. Adequate social distancing measures (2 metres apart) will be in place for the duration of the course.
  + Each participant will have their own apparatus e.g. mannequins to be used during the course. Sanitising wipes will be available for delegates to clean their apparatus as required.
  + Ensure that you wash your hands thoroughly at regular intervals.
  + Please follow the guidelines for safe use of [transport](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-transport-and-travel-guidance) on your journey to the venue.

We will:

Ensure that venues and trainers minimise risk to delegates by:

* Completing thorough risk assessments and putting protective measures in place which include

\* Adhering to social distancing

\* Cleaning venues regularly

\* Using clear directional signposting and visual reminders of measures in place to minimise risk

\* Using large rooms with fewer delegates to maintain distance and use rooms only once during the day or ensure thorough cleaning between use.

\* Provide equipment for candidates for their sole use during tasks that can be cleaned and used safely. Practical tasks have been adjusted to minimise contact.

Advice to delegates

* We ask that all delegates follow the above guide lines to keep attendees safe.
* Course tutors will instruct attendees during practical tasks to ensure safety measures are followed.
* Tutors will remind candidates of the main protective measures in place at each venue.

**What to bring:** Please bring tissues, pens, and you may also wish to bring note paper, hand sanitiser and face coverings.

**Before you attend**: Watch the Covid-19 video links above. Delegates **must** complete the on-line training before attending the face-to-face training session for blended PFA training. The group training includes assessment and understanding of this training. The final session will include assessment where PFA training is fully face-to-face. First Response have also provided additional optional on-line resources which can be viewed during blended training.

**After training:** Certificates will be issued once the on-line and face to face training is fully complete and course tutors have completed their assessment.

The full course attendance policy is [here](http://www.solgrid.org.uk/eyc/training/attendance-policy/)