



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. Please read all about our Covid safety measures at Bloxham School.

To keep everyone safe at ISC, there are 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.
- Current UK government guidance states that under 18s and fully vaccinated travellers from green and amber countries are exempt from quarantine. However, students and fully vaccinated staff are still required to provide a negative pre-departure PCR test, completed passenger locator form, and book and take a Day 2 PCR test.
- Staff and students displaying Covid symptoms are asked not to travel and remain at home.
- Students to bring own stationery for use during classes.
- Students and staff to bring personal face masks and hand sanitiser. Extra masks are available for staff/student if they forget their own.
- One-way systems around campus and separate entrances and exits to buildings to avoid crowding.
- Use of hand-sanitising and cleaning stations throughout campus.
- Daily cleaning of shared facilities in boarding houses.
- Frequent cleaning of shared areas and high-touch surfaces (door handles, light switches) to take place. Sports equipment to be cleaned after each use.
- Use of face masks in high-traffic areas around campus.
- Face masks to be worn on school coaches and in some excursion venues such as museums/galleries. Students and staff to be informed of Covid safety measures before each trip.
- Use of Covid-19 tests for symptomatic individuals.
- Online classes and welfare support to be provided for students who need to isolate.





FAQs

What do I need to do if travelling from a 'green' or 'amber' country?

Under current UK government guidelines, under 18s and fully vaccinated adults* travelling from a green or amber country need 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. Proof of full vaccination must also be provided on the form. This must be presented at boarding.

*As of 31st July 2021, government guidance states that under 18s and fully vaccinated travellers who are a resident of the EU, US or the four European Free Trade Association countries are exempt from quarantine if arriving from an amber country.

Travellers must have been fully vaccinated with an approved vaccine in:

- an [EU country](#), Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino, Switzerland or the Vatican City. If you were vaccinated in a different European country, it will not be recognised in England. The vaccine must have been authorised by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) or Swissmedic for Switzerland
- Residents in the USA must have been fully vaccinated with a vaccine authorised by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

ISC will advise on government approved test providers and assist with the administration and postage of PCR tests while students are 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.

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.



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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 use of a separate bathroom. Meals, drinks and extra linen will be delivered to their room. Areas where the individual has spent time will be cleaned and disinfected.

If the person is under 18, the nominated 'Responsible Person' - Al Dadge, Course Director, will contact NHS 111/119 to seek advice and book a Covid PCR test. 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, will need to self-isolate for ten days. ISC will contact the local health authority and fully comply with their decision on lockdown. 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 their room. Deep cleaning will take place where the individual has spent time.

From 16 August 2021, under 18s will no longer be required to self-isolate if they are a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case. Instead, children will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace and advised to take a PCR test.

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.



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