

SEN Transport – Covid 19 Supplementary Guidelines for Transport Staff – Category 3B Control Measures (for children requiring extra support due to behavioural needs)

This document should be applied in conjunction with Category 1 & 2 control measures and Individual Transport Risk Assessments for children allocated to your contract.

Students with the following identified needs:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Challenging behaviour that includes spitting, drooling, mouthing objects• Challenging behaviour specifically on transition to and from the vehicle• Lashing out, grabbing others

The following control measures are considered appropriate to provide Covid secure transport. It is acknowledged that infection control may continue to be difficult even with these measures in place due to behaviours of some students. Any transport arrangements that are made will continue to be reviewed as needed and may need to change if infection control cannot be maintained.

Products that should be available for each journey and used as detailed in the control measures below:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handwashing / hand sanitising products – soap and bottle of water or sanitiser with 70% alcohol content• Vehicle cleaning products – regular cleaning products and / or disinfectant wipes• Tissues and waste bin with lid• Disposable plastic apron• Face covering• Fluid resistant (Type IIR) surgical face mask with eye protection such as goggles or full face protection such as a visor

	Control Measures
Preparation before the journey	<p>Guidance posters and instructions relating to the correct wearing of PPE is available from Public Health England:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Putting on personal protective equipment (PPE) - Standard Infection Control Precautions • Taking off personal protective equipment (PPE) - Standard Infection Control Precautions <p>Drivers and escorts should familiarise themselves with the appropriate guidance before transporting.</p> <p>Transport staff should ensure PPE is stored safely and readily available for each journey.</p>
Challenging behaviour – spitting	<p>Transport staff should wear a face mask with goggles or a full-face visor, together with a disposable plastic apron for the duration of the journey.</p> <p>It may be necessary for a meet and greet so that children can become familiar with transport staff wearing PPE, even if there aren't any changes to their transport.</p> <p>At the end of each journey disposable PPE (aprons and face masks) should be doffed and placed in a waste bin with lid.</p> <p>Re-usable PPE (visor or goggles) should be bagged and cleaned when appropriate to do so.</p> <p>Visor or goggles should be cleaned first with detergent, then disinfectant and rinsed with clean water.</p> <p>The vehicle should be carefully cleaned.</p> <p>Clean all surfaces:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • steering wheels, handbrake and fascia; • door handles, inside and out; window handles/buttons; inside window and door fascia • seats, seatbelts and hard surfaces around seats that have been occupied. • Harness <p>Normal cleaning products are sufficient for this purpose, including disinfectant wipes where available as these are quick and effective to use and can be disposed of easily.</p>
Challenging behaviour	<p>On transfer to and from the vehicle – parents / carers and school staff from the child's bubble should assist with the transfer to and from vehicle to reduce contact with transport staff.</p> <p>In the vehicle – a face covering or visor is recommended, particularly where children require a lot of face to face interaction during the journey.</p> <p>Where a child is grabbing or lashing out and this starts to have an impact on transport staff or other passengers, please raise concerns as detailed below.</p> <p>Observe careful and regular handwashing / sanitising routines before, during and after the journey.</p> <p>Re-usable PPE should be bagged and cleaned when appropriate to do so.</p>
Help and support	<p>Drivers and escorts having difficulty with any aspect of these instructions should contact 0116 3050002 or email transportra@leics.gov.uk</p>