**Covid 19 - Risk assessment – 01st April 2022**

The requirement for every employer to [explicitly consider COVID-19 in their health and safety risk assessment has been removed](https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/index.htm). Employers may choose to continue to cover COVID-19 in their risk assessments. Employers that specifically work with COVID-19, such as laboratories, must continue to undertake a risk assessment that considers COVID-19.

Employers should continue to comply with the requirements for cleaning, ventilation and welfare facilities in the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992 or the Construction Design and Management Regulations 2015 to control occupational health and safety risks.

Employers have a duty to consult with their employees, or their representatives, on health and safety matters. The Health and Safety Executive has [guidance on how to keep people safe and healthy at work](https://www.hse.gov.uk/guidance/index.htm).