

Isle of Man Government – Driver Guidance

Especially in the current climate employee wellbeing is paramount. It is recognised that drivers of Government Vehicles are working inside the small space of a vehicles cab and during your working day you will need to interact with members of the public. Whilst some vehicles are assigned to drivers with sole ownership, some vehicles may be shared between shifts.

This guidance has been produced to provide information on how together we can minimise the risk of infection through transmission between vehicle users and interaction with members of the public and public services.

If an employee becomes ill managers/supervisors need to quarantine the vehicle they have been using so that it can be completely disinfected before the vehicle is used again.

Vehicle Provisions

- Sanitising wipes
- Disposable bags for contaminated clothes, tissues, gloves and personal waste
- Gloves
- Hand sanitiser

Inside the Vehicle – shared and sole use

- Do not share any PPE, tools or equipment with your colleagues – clip boards/pens/papers/masks/gloves
- Wipe down any items which need to be shared – trolleys, operator buttons for tail lift
- Make use of gloves when you need to share items between colleagues – this includes driving instruments in addition to wiping down surfaces
- Only two members of staff maximum should be present in any vehicle (i.e. driver and one passenger)
- At the beginning and end of a shift the driver should use the sterile wipes to wipe down touchpoints including – steering wheel, handbrake, gear stick, handles, visors and operating buttons before removing gloves
- At the end of a shift the driver should dispose of the general waste bag for the next user
- At the end of a shift the driver should take personal ownership of their hygiene and wash their hands with soap and water

Outside the Vehicle

- Keep a safe distance of 6ft (2 metres) from other people
- Avoid contact with other people unless it is essential



- Wear gloves when needing to carry packages through dropping off or collection processors
- Review any delivery arrangements by considering drop boxes/places and suspending the need for signature

Personal Ownership

- Wash hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and water – it may be necessary to use public conveniences and other government buildings which remain open and you are able to access
- If hand washing is not convenient use hand sanitisers and wash your hands as soon as possible
- When refuelling always make use of single use gloves to avoid contamination from the pumps and dispose of single use glove in bin provided
- Avoid touching your face
- Suspect everything you touch carries the virus and use gloves when you know that you cannot wash your hands

