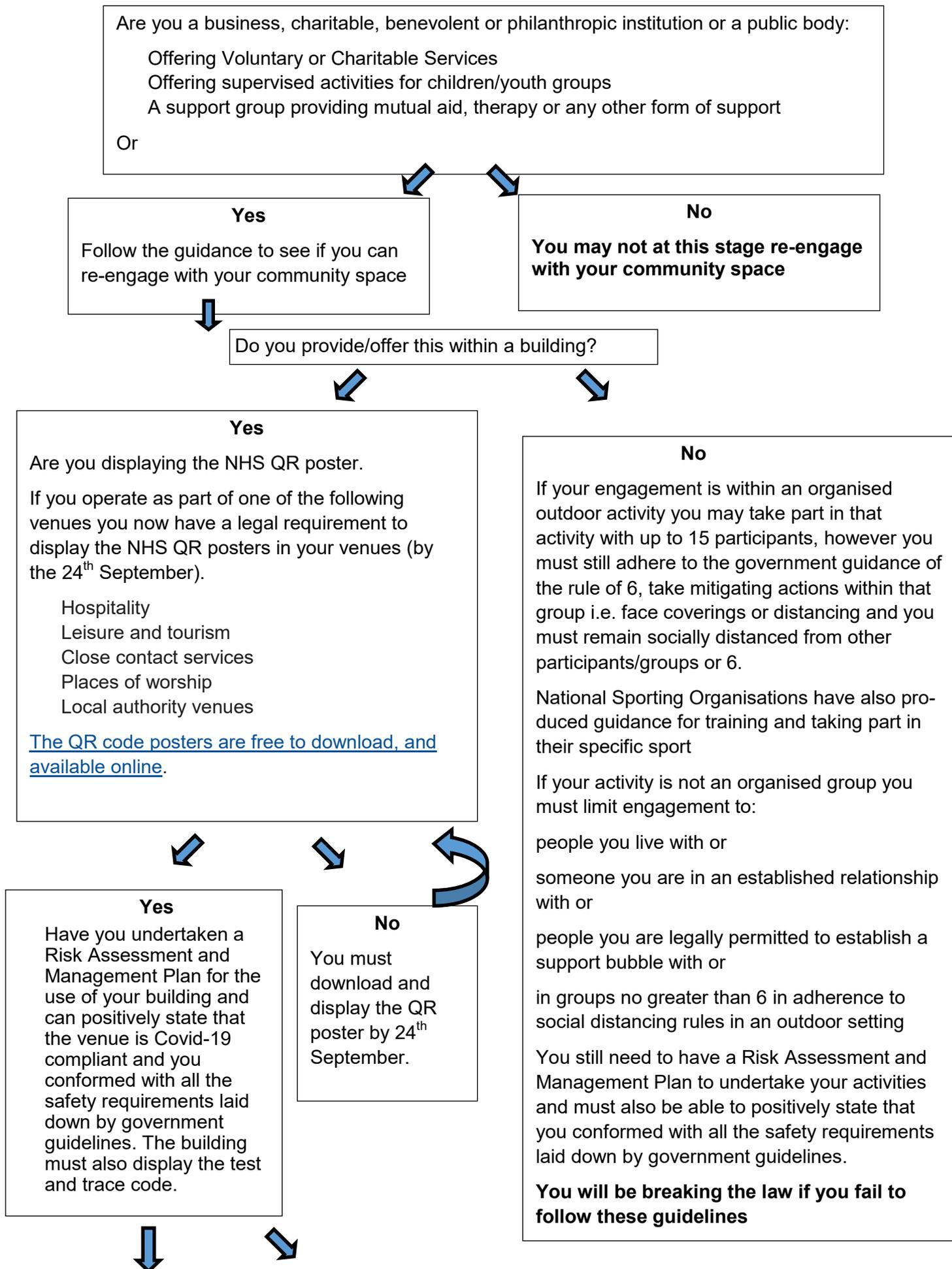


NDVS Guide to re-engaging Community Space

Further Guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-multi-purpose-community-facilities/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-multi-purpose-community-facilities>



Yes

Does this include such considerations as:

Maximum capacity of the space while able to maintain social distancing according to the relevant guidelines including seating spaces

Identify points of high risk and put in place mitigating actions

Ensure safe access for those with additional needs

Have a policy for queue management and staggered entry and exit times

Consider the flow of groups and individuals in and out of the building

Provide clear signage and appropriate markings

Provide hand sanitizing points and cleaning and sanitizing procedures

Specify your safety measures for staff and/or volunteers

Establish emergency evacuation and meeting points

Establish procedures in case of attendees/volunteers/staff exhibiting signs or symptoms of the virus

This is not an exhaustive list and should be specific to your particular building or venue and circumstance



No

You must go through the Risk Assessment process and prepare a Management Plan before you consider re-engaging your community space

Yes

Can you adhere to the government guidelines of staying:

In formally organised groups/support groups can be no more than 15 participants

At least 2m away from people you do not live with or are in an established relationship with or are legally permitted to form a support bubble with.

More than 1m apart with extra steps in place to prevent the spread i.e. face covering

No

You are unable to re-engage your community space

Yes

You are, under the updated guidance, able to resume your programmes/activities/support.

Programmes/activities/support groups can take place in gatherings of up to 15 people (subject to capacity) in a COVID-19 secure community to provide mutual aid, therapy or any other form of support to its members or those who attend its meetings.

Attendees should arrive and be seated in groups of 6 or less. Managing the arrival and departure times of different groups so as to reduce the pressure at exits and entrances.

As part of that gathering adult social groups, clubs and activities can gather inside a community space in groups no greater than 6 in adherence to social distancing rules and should limit their social interactions with anyone they do not live with.

Whilst activities may have 6 or more people participating (where it is safe to do so and capacity permits) it is important for all parties to maintain socially distant, 2 metres or 1 metre with actions taken to reduce the risk of transmission between households. For example, use of face coverings and encouraging good hand hygiene on entering premises and throughout visit.

A risk assessment and management plan should determine the maximum capacity of a hall or hire space while able to maintain social distancing according to the relevant guidelines. It should also identify points of high risk in the building and mitigating actions to address the identified risks.

Organisers should consider the cumulative impact of many venues re-opening in the same small area or large numbers of people travelling to a venue at the same time.