

INFORMATION – 9TH JULY 2020

Oliver Dowden the Culture Secretary has issued a statement regarding the opening of sports facilities from the 25th July.

He said “The reopening of gyms is the news millions across the country have been waiting for with many people desperate to jump on a spinning bike or dive into a pool.

Our comprehensive guidance will ensure gyms, pools and leisure centers have the support they need to reopen safely for their customers and staff. Helping people return to gyms safely will also help the nation get match-fit to defeat this virus.”

He has also issued guidance as follows

Limiting the number of people using the facility at any one time, for example by using a timed booking system

Reducing class sizes and allowing sufficient time between each class to avoid groups waiting outside during changeover;

Enhanced cleaning and providing hand sanitizer throughout venues

Considering how the way people walk through their venue could be adjusted to reduce contact, with queue management or one-way system

Ensuring adequate ventilation

Exercise or dance studios should have temporary floor markings where possible to help people stay distanced during classes

Customers and staff should be encouraged to shower and change at home wherever possible, although changing rooms will be available.

The British Dance Council will continue to work closely with all its members, to get everyone dancing again as soon as possible.

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