Swimming at East Hanney from September 2020



We are so excited to welcome you back to the pool. As with many things in life, there are some new procedures that you need to be aware of at your chosen venue. You will find everything you need to know about East Hanney below – please read it very carefully.

If you would also like to read about what, as your chosen swim school, Puddle Ducks is doing to keep you, your child and our team members safe, we have summarised all the steps we are taking including our risk assessment procedure, cleaning and hygiene regimes and temporary changes to the way our lessons will be run here.

Arrival time

Please do not arrive any earlier than 10 minutes before your lesson starts. This should give you enough time to get poolside and prevents lots of people from waiting around in spaces which may be too small to handle it in the current situation.

Arriving swim-ready

Wherever possible, you and your child should arrive swim-ready at the venue i.e. with your swimming costume/trunks/swim nappy on underneath your clothes. This is because in most venues, the changing rooms will not be available for the time being.

We appreciate that those children still in nappies might need a nappy change just before their lessons. Ideally this can be done in the car before entering the building but if not, please take a change mat to the poolside with you and make sure you have nappy bags and another bag in which to put the nappy bag to ensure there is no waste left visible at poolside.

In most cases, you will be asked to change poolside as changing rooms are likely to be out of bounds so please bring only the essentials (keeping valuables to a minimum) and one bag to put everything in as this will be left poolside (in some cases, customers will be allocated a box/bucket in which to put your bag).

We advise that you all bring a change mat that can be rolled up and placed in your bag, especially those of you who have little ones who would normally use a change table or a bench.

Spectators

There are no spectators or siblings allowed poolside for the lessons.

If you require assistance due to a disability (either your own disability or your child's), then you can bring a spectator to help, as necessary.

By not allowing spectators, we are able to practice social distancing more effectively.

Parking at the venue

Parking is as normal, in the overflow car park (opposite the main car park) at La Fontana. Please ensure that you adhere to social distancing where possible in the car park.

Entering the building

You access the building via the normal route to the pool, through the driveway and onto the decking area – the first door is used to enter the pool building. You need to remove your shoes on entry as normal.

Signing in/Letting us know you are here

A Poolside Assistant will be present ticking off registers, she will be inside the pool building and will be wearing a facemask/face shield to protect both the customers and her.

Toilets

The toilet will be accessible in the normal way during the lessons, it will need to be cleaned between each use.

Changing rooms

BEFORE YOUR LESSON:

You will be asked to leave your belongings on the side of the pool (near the entrance door) in a box and quickly undress ready to get in the pool.

AFTER YOUR LESSON:

Changing "stations" will be in use for customers to have a quick change after the lesson. You will grab your box and you will be allocated a changing "station", by the poolside assistant, to change your little one. Each "station" will be cleaned between each use. We are asking that you spend as little time as possible changing after the lesson (you will be able to change in a more private area if required, limited space will be available).

Entering the pool area

Please sanitise your hands before entering the pool building. The Poolside Assistant will have hand sanitiser available for you to use.

Please wait poolside, keeping socially distant from other customers and pool users wherever possible, until the teacher indicates it is time for you to enter the pool. We shall be using markers on the floor by the pool to indicate where each person should stand to wait.

Exiting the pool area after your lesson

The poolside assistant will be on hand to show you where you can get changed. We advise that you bring easy, comfortable clothing for both you and your child – items like onesies might be easiest for children to get changed quickly and keep them warm.

Leaving the building

When you are ready to leave the building, please wash your hands or use the hand sanitiser provided and make your way to your car/mode of transport.

The exit door is at the opposite end of the pool building, near the changing rooms. You will then go around the back of the building and out of the large wooden gates back to the car park. You should not exit the same way as you entered the premises.