



KEY GUIDELINES – BANDS USING L29

Info Sheet – From September 2022 Onwards

Our practice facilities are open to all bands who would like to practice and have (re-)purchased practice room access for the 2022-23 academic year.

REHEARSAL TIMES

In order to cooperate with teaching timetables in the L29 building, bands will need to book their practice slots after IoE teaching has finished for the day during term time. Apart from Mondays, please book your rehearsals from 5pm onwards and play to your hearts content!

On weekends, there are no time limitations and G06 will be open for larger bands and those who require a Drum Kit.

Exception: On Mondays, please book your band rehearsals from 7:30pm onwards **as there will be an IoE class in G02.**

ABOUT YOUR USAGE

Booking a Room

Once your band members have purchased practice room access, you will gain access to our booking system and have access to L29. Please make sure you book a room before you come to practice. Those who have booked a practice room will have priority over those who have not booked.

It is important for bookings to be made so that we know who is using the rooms. This is also for your general safety out of hours and so the porters/security know when to lock up the building.

Borrowing Equipment

You will be required to have your own instrument to play, with the exception of a piano and percussion/drumkit. If you would like to borrow any specific extra kit for your rehearsal, such as amplifiers or microphones, please ask Lucy, Music Programme Coordinator in her office (upstairs of L29) for assistance. If you would like to borrow extra equipment outside of Lucy's office hours, please email music@reading.ac.uk in advance of your rehearsal so that Lucy can make this equipment accessible for your rehearsal. Our porters will no longer provide extra equipment out of hours, this must be arranged in advance.

In some cases, we will allow our equipment to be borrowed for external gigs not organised by UoR Music. If you would like to borrow equipment for external events, please contact music@reading.ac.uk and we will be happy to help. It is unacceptable for bands to take our equipment to be used for external gigs without consulting UoR Music.

Drum Kit Usage

We are delighted that talented bands and musicians can use our new drum kits purchased this year! They now live in G03 (Blue Kit), G06 (Red Kit) and G01 (new and improved Silver Kit). As part of our fair usage policy, please keep the kits separate and in their designated room. Please **do not** combine/move parts of individual kits. This is so that multiple users can have access to a drumkit at the same time.

Feel free to contact us at any time!

We are always here to help and facilitate your practice. This sheet has been made only to clarify the guidelines of usage from September 2022. We look forward to seeing you (and hearing you) make music. Everyone is welcome!

If you have any questions or queries about the established L29 guidelines in this document, please contact us on music@reading.ac.uk.