Face shields no longer a substitute for masks

Face shields are now deemed to offer less protection against the spread of Covid-19 compared with face masks.

FACE MASK

Default mode of protection against asymptomatic transmission



 Does not protect eyes from droplets potentially containing virus

Can better

trap droplets

expelled by

wearer

FACE SHIELD Teachers, those with health issues and children aged 12 and below allowed to wear face shields in place of masks D Protects eyes; helps prevent people from touching their faces; complements masks Does not effectively trap droplets, which Covid-19 predominantly spreads through