WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2021 No. 967 (W. 227)

## **PUBLIC HEALTH, WALES**

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 10) Regulations 2021

	at 1.30 p.m. on 27
Made	August 2021
	at 4.30 p.m. on 27
Laid before Senedd Cymru	August 2021
	at 4.00 a.m. on 30
Coming into force	August 2021

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 45B and 45P(2) of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984(1), make the following Regulations.

#### Title and coming into force

**1.**—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 10) Regulations 2021.

(2) These Regulations come into force at 4.00 a.m. on 30 August 2021.

## Amendments to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020

**2.** The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020(**2**) are amended as follows.

<sup>(1) 1984</sup> c. 22. Part 2A was inserted by section 129 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (c. 14). The function of making regulations under Part 2A is conferred on "the appropriate Minister". Under section 45T(6) of the 1984 Act the appropriate Minister as respects Wales, is the Welsh Ministers.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 2020/574 (W. 132), amended by S.I. 2020/595 (W. 136), S.I. 2020/714 (W. 160), S.I. 2020/726 (W. 163), S.I. 2020/804 (W. 177), S.I. 2020/817 (W. 179), S.I. 2020/840 (W. 185), S.I. 2020/868 (W. 190), S.I. 2020/868 (W. 196), S.I. 2020/1017 (W. 205), S.I. 2020/942, S.I. 2020/944 (W. 210), S.I. 2020/962 (W. 216), S.I. 2020/981 (W. 220), S.I. 2020/1015 (W. 226), S.I. 2020/1042 (W. 231), S.I. 2020/1080 (W. 243), S.I. 2020/1098 (W. 249), S.I. 2020/1133 (W. 258), S.I. 2020/1165 (W. 263), S.I. 2020/1191 (W. 269), S.I. 2020/1223 (W. 277), S.I. 2020/1232 (W. 278), S.I. 2020/1237 (W. 279), S.I. 2020/1288 (W. 286), S.I. 2020/1329 (W. 295), S.I. 2020/1232 (W. 301), S.I. 2020/1232 (W. 278), S.I. 2020/1231 (W. 325), S.I. 2020/1288 (W. 286), S.I. 2020/1645 (W. 345), S.I. 2021/20 (W. 7), S.I. 2021/1477 (W. 316), S.I. 2021/146 (W. 10), S.I. 2020/1602 (W. 332), S.I. 2021/646 (W. 165), S.I. 2021/20 (W. 7), S.I. 2021/24 (W. 8), S.I. 2021/146 (W. 10), S.I. 2021/48 (W. 11), S.I. 2021/30 (W. 15), S.I. 2021/24 (W. 18), S.I. 2021/24 (W. 38), S.I. 2021/305 (W. 78), S.I. 2021/361 (W. 110), S.I. 2021/454 (W. 144), S.I. 2021/500 (W. 149), S.I. 2021/568 (W. 156), S.I. 2021/384 (W. 161), S.I. 2021/646 (W. 166), S.I. 2021/69 (W. 170), S.I. 2021/765 (W. 187), S.I. 2021/282 (W. 193), S.I. 2021/863 (W. 202), S.I. 2021/867 (W. 203), S.I. 2021/915 (W. 208) and S.I. 2021/926 (W. 211).

#### Amendments to regulation 12E

**3.**—(1) Regulation 12E (additional measures applicable to persons travelling from a country or territory listed in Schedule 3A) is amended as follows.

- (2) In paragraph (2)(e)—
  - (a) in paragraph (i), for "2020" substitute "2021";
  - (b) in paragraph (ii), for "a boarding school" substitute "an educational institution".
- (3) In paragraph (5)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for ""boarding school" means a school or college" substitute "educational institution" means a school, college or higher education provider";
  - (b) after sub-paragraph (c) insert—
    - "(d) "higher education provider" has the meaning in section 83(1) of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017(**3**)."

### Amendments to Schedule 3

**4.** In Part 1 of Schedule 3 (exempt countries and territories outside the common travel area), at the appropriate places insert—

"The Azores" "Canada" "Denmark" "Finland" "Liechtenstein" "Lithuania" "Switzerland".

## Amendments to Schedule 3A

**5.** In Schedule 3A (countries and territories subject to additional measures), at the appropriate places insert—

"Montenegro"

"Thailand".

#### **Amendment to Schedule 4**

6. In Schedule 4 (specified sporting events), at the end insert—

"The Champions Hockey League competition

FIH World Cup qualifiers for Men (European group)".

Eluned Morgan Minister for Health and Social Services, one of the Welsh Ministers

At 1.30 p.m. on 27 August 2021

<sup>(</sup>**3**) 2017 c. 29.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/574 (W. 132)) (the "International Travel Regulations").

The International Travel Regulations impose requirements on persons entering Wales after having been abroad. They include a requirement for persons arriving in Wales to isolate for a period determined in accordance with those Regulations. The requirements imposed by the International Travel Regulations are subject to exceptions, and certain categories of person are exempt from having to comply.

Regulation 12E of the International Travel Regulations prevents non-exempt persons from entering Wales where they have been in a country or territory listed in Schedule 3A to those Regulations within the last 10 days of arrival.

Persons entering Wales after being in one or more of the countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations are not required to isolate. The countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 are referred to as "exempt countries and territories".

Regulation 3 of these Regulations amends regulation 12E so as to allow entry into Wales for certain students under the age of 18 who have previously been in a country listed in Schedule 3A to the International Travel Regulations. Such persons are subject to specific isolation requirements.

Regulation 4 of these Regulations amends Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations to add the Azores, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, and Switzerland to the list of exempt countries and territories.

Regulation 5 of these Regulations amends Schedule 3A to the International Travel Regulations to add Montenegro and Thailand to the list of countries and territories subject to additional measures.

Regulation 6 of these Regulations amends Schedule 4 to the International Travel Regulations to update the list of specified sporting events. An individual is able to leave isolation to compete or train in, or provide coaching or other support to a person competing in a sporting event specified in Schedule 4.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.