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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2020 No. 234**

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel)  
(Amendment No. 17) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020**

*Made - - - - 30th October 2020*

*Coming into operation in accordance with Regulation 1*

The Department of Health<sup>(1)</sup> makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 25B and 25F(2) of the Public Health Act (Northern Ireland) 1967<sup>(2)</sup>.

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Amendment No. 17) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020.

(2) Regulation 5 shall come into operation at 4.00 am on 1st November 2020.

(3) The remainder of the Regulations shall come into operation on 31st October 2020.

(4) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020<sup>(3)</sup>.

**Amendment of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2020**

2.—(1) The principal Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 6.

(2) In relation to any person who arrived in Northern Ireland on or after 10th July 2020 and before the coming into operation of any amendment made by regulation 5 the principal Regulations apply as if that amendment had not been made.

**Amendments to Schedule 1**

3. In Schedule 1 (Passenger information), in paragraph 2—

(a) in sub-paragraph (d), for “travel booking reference” substitute “seat number”;

(b) after sub-paragraph (d), insert—

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(1) Formerly the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety; see 2016 c. 5 (N.I.), s. 1(5)

(2) 1967 c. 36 (N.I.). Part 1A was inserted by section 48 of, and Schedule 18 to, the Coronavirus Act 2020 (c. 7)

(3) S.R. 2020 No. 90 as amended by S.R. 2020 Nos. 138, 140, 154, 155, 163, 168, 179, 185, 189, 193, 194, 200, 203, 212, 216, 223 and 228

- “(da) their coach number.”;
- (c) in sub-paragraph (e), for “, train number, or ticket number (as appropriate)” substitute “or vessel name”;
- (d) in sub-paragraph (j)(iv), for “the travel booking reference” substitute “the seat number”;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (j)(v), for “, train number, or ticket number (as appropriate) of” substitute “or vessel name for”;
- (f) at the end of sub-paragraph (j)(v), insert—
  - “,
  - (vi) the coach number for their onward journey.”.

### **Amendments to Schedule 2**

- 4. In Schedule 2 (Persons not required to comply with regulation 3 or 4)—
  - (a) for paragraph 3(2)(b) substitute—
    - “(b) “visiting force” means any body, contingent or detachment of the forces of a country, being a body, contingent or detachment for the time being present in the United Kingdom (including United Kingdom territorial waters), on the invitation of Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom.”;
  - (b) at the end of paragraph 24(1), insert—
    - “,
    - where they have travelled to the United Kingdom in the course of their work”.

### **Amendments to Schedule 3**

- 5. In Schedule 3 (Exempt countries, territories and parts of countries or territories), omit “Cyprus” and “Lithuania”.

### **Amendments to Schedule 4**

- 6. In Schedule 4 (Specified competitions)—
  - (a) omit the following entries—
    - (i) “BMW Professional Golfers’ Association Championship”;
    - (ii) “Dubai Duty Free Irish Open Golf Tournament (European Tour)”;
    - (iii) “Dubai Future Champions Festival horse-racing”;
    - (iv) “European Tour Golf – Aberdeen Standard Investments Scottish Open”;
    - (v) “London Marathon”;
    - (vi) “Matchroom – BetVictor Weber Cup”;
    - (vii) “Professional Darts Corporation – Challenge Tour”;
    - (viii) “Professional Darts Corporation – Development Tour”;
    - (ix) “Professional Darts Corporation – Unibet Premier League”;
    - (x) “Professional Darts Corporation – Women’s Series”;
    - (xi) “QIPCO British Champions Day horse-racing”;
    - (xii) “Rugby Football Union Autumn Internationals”;
    - (xiii) “World Snooker Tour – English Open”;

- (xiv) “World Snooker Tour – European Masters”;
  - (xv) “World Boxing Organization European Super Bantamweight Championship Title”;
  - (xvi) “World Super Lightweight Championship Title”;
  - (xvii) “British Gymnastics Under 18 4-Way Match”;
  - (xviii) “Professional Darts Corporation – Boylesports Grand Slam of Darts”;
  - (xix) “European Tour - Scottish Championship”;
  - (xx) “Motorsport UK – British Rallycross Championships”;
  - (xxi) “British Rallycross Championships”;
  - (xxii) “Goodwood Speed Week”;
- (b) at the end insert—
- “International Boxing Championship Matches – MTK Promotions
  - European Mixed Team Badminton Championships – Group 1 Qualifying Event
  - Yonex All England Open Badminton Championships
  - Allam British Open 2020 Squash Championships
  - GB Taekwondo Fight Night I – International Taekwondo, Para Taekwondo and Karate Event
  - GB Taekwondo Fight Night II – International Taekwondo, Para Taekwondo and Karate Event
  - The November meeting (Cheltenham) horse-racing
  - Churchill Stakes horse-racing
  - Lancashire Chase horse-racing
  - Ladbroke’s Trophy meeting horse-racing
  - Tingle Creek Chase horse-racing
  - Becher Chase horse-racing
  - The International meeting (Cheltenham) horse-racing
  - Long Walk Hurdle horse-racing
  - King George VI meeting horse-racing
  - Coral Welsh Grand National horse-racing
  - Cheltenham New Year’s Day meeting horse-racing
  - Classic Chase horse-racing
  - Clarence House Chase horse-racing
  - Festival Trials Day (Cheltenham) horse-racing
  - Professional Darts Corporation – PDPA World Championship Qualifier
  - Curling Euro Super Series
  - Matchroom – World Championship of Ping Pong
  - Matchroom – World Pool Championship
  - Hennessy Sports – International Boxing Championship Matches
  - Motorsport UK – Walter Hayes Trophy
  - BTRA Truck Racing Championship

Porsche Challenge GB  
British Judo – British Closed Senior Invitational Competition”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health on 30th October 2020

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 (“the principal Regulations”) to—

- (a) amend the passenger information, in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations, which passengers arriving in Northern Ireland must provide (regulation 3);
- (b) amend the entries relevant to visiting forces (paragraph 3) and offshore workers (paragraph 24) in Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations, which specifies individuals who are exempt from the requirement to provide information or self-isolate (regulation 4);
- (c) omit Cyprus and Lithuania from the list of countries and territories in Schedule 3 to the principal Regulations exempt from the requirement in regulation 4 of those Regulations to self-isolate for 14 days after arrival in Northern Ireland (regulation 5);
- (d) amend the list of specified competitions in Schedule 4 to the principal Regulations, which is relevant to the exemption from the requirement to self-isolate for elite sportspersons (regulation 6).

Passengers are not required to self-isolate on arrival in Northern Ireland if, during the 14 days preceding their arrival, they have only been in or transited through exempt countries or territories, or exempt parts of countries or territories. Passengers who have been in or transited through a non-exempt country or territory, or a non-exempt part of a country or territory, must self-isolate until 14 days have elapsed since the day after they last left a non-exempt country or territory, or a non-exempt part of a country or territory. The changes to Schedule 3 will not affect passengers who arrive in Northern Ireland before 4.00 a.m. on 1st November 2020

No impact assessment has been prepared for these Regulations.