
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2021 No. 4

PUBLIC HEALTH

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021**

Made - - - - *8th January 2021*
4.00 a.m. on 9th
Coming into operation *January 2021*

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

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021 and shall come into operation at 4.00am on 9th January 2021.

(2) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020⁽³⁾.

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 7.

(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 regulation 3

3. For regulation 3(10) (requirement to provide information), substitute—

“(10) Paragraph (9) does not apply in relation to a person who has arrived in Northern Ireland from any country or territory listed in Schedule 5 or has, within the period beginning

(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, 228, 234, 241, 243, 244, 254, 275, 278, 289, 326, 344 and 355

with the 14th day before the date of their arrival in Northern Ireland, departed from or transited through any of those countries or territories.”.

Amendments to regulation 4

4. In regulation 4 (requirement to self-isolate)—

(a) for paragraph (1A) substitute—

“(1A) This regulation also applies where a person (“P”) is residing at an address at which another person (D) is residing, where D is required to self-isolate under these Regulations because D has arrived in Northern Ireland from any country or territory listed in Schedule 5 or has, within the period beginning with the 14th day before the date of D’s arrival in Northern Ireland, departed from or transited through any of those countries or territories.”;

(b) for paragraph (13) substitute—

“(13) Paragraph (12) does not apply in relation to a person (“D”) who has, at any time in the period beginning with the 14th day before the date of their arrival in Northern Ireland, departed from or transited through any country or territory listed in Schedule 5.”.

Amendments to Schedule 3

5. In Schedule 3 (Exempt countries, territories and parts of countries or territories), omit “Botswana”, “Israel”, “Jerusalem”, “Mauritius” and “Seychelles”.

Amendments to Schedule 4

6. In Schedule 4 (Specified competitions), omit the following entries—

- (i) “ATP Tour Finals tennis”
- (ii) “Matchroom – Partypoker Mosconi Cup Pool Tournament”
- (iii) “World Snooker Tour - Northern Ireland Open”
- (iv) “World Snooker Tour - UK Championships”
- (v) “World Snooker Tour - Scottish Open”
- (vi) “World Snooker Tour - World Grand Prix”
- (vii) “Professional Darts Corporation – Boylesports World Grand Prix”
- (viii) “European Mixed Team Badminton Championships – Group 1 Qualifying Event”
- (ix) “Lancashire Chase horse-racing”
- (x) “Ladbroke’s Trophy meeting horse-racing”
- (xi) “Becher Chase horse-racing”
- (xii) “The International meeting (Cheltenham) horse-racing”
- (xiii) “Long Walk Hurdle horse-racing”
- (xiv) “King George VI meeting horse-racing”
- (xv) “Coral Welsh Grand National horse-racing”
- (xvi) “Cheltenham New Year’s Day meeting horse-racing”
- (xvii) “Matchroom – World Championship of Ping Pong”.

New Schedule 5

7. After Schedule 4 insert—

“SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 3(10)

Countries or territories subject to additional measures

Angola
Botswana
Eswatini
Lesotho
Malawi
Mauritius
Mozambique
Namibia
Seychelles
South Africa
Zambia
Zimbabwe”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health on 8th January 2021

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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) ensure a person listed in regulation 3(9) of the principal Regulations is not exempt from the requirement to comply with regulation 3 of those regulations if that person has arrived in Northern Ireland from any country or territory listed in Schedule 5 or has, within the period beginning with the 14th day before the date of their arrival in Northern Ireland, departed from or transited through any country or territory listed in Schedule 5;
- (b) remove exemptions from the requirement to self-isolate for people who have arrived in Northern Ireland from any country or territory listed in Schedule 5 or who have arrived in Northern Ireland from elsewhere and, during the 14 days preceding their arrival in Northern Ireland, have been in or transited through any country or territory listed in Schedule 5; and
- (c) require people residing at the same address as a person who has arrived in Northern Ireland from any country or territory listed in Schedule 5 to self-isolate.

Botswana, Israel, Jerusalem, Mauritius and Seychelles are omitted 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 10 days after arrival in Northern Ireland.

Schedule 5 has been inserted to list countries or territories subject to additional measures.

No impact assessment has been prepared for these Regulations.