
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021 (Amendment
No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021**

Amendment of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

37. For regulation 5(1) substitute—

“(1) A person responsible for carrying on a business or a members’ club which sells or provides food or drink (whether or not including intoxicating liquor) for consumption on the premises—

- (a) must close to the public any indoor part of the premises, except to allow one individual from a party to make payment or to allow use of toilet, baby changing or breast feeding facilities and access to them;
- (b) must not permit the consumption of food or drink including intoxicating liquor in any indoors part of the premises;
- (c) may sell or provide food or drink including intoxicating liquor for consumption off the premises;
- (d) must take reasonable steps to ensure that no more than six persons (not including children aged 12 or under) are seated at any one table (unless those seated at a table comprise a single household), and persons from no more than two households are seated at any one table (in this regulation all those seated at a table are a “party”);
- (e) must comply with the duty in regulation 15 (Visitor and Attendee Information) and the duty in regulation 17 (Requirement in relation to social distancing);
- (f) must not permit on the premises—
 - (i) dancing; or
 - (ii) the provision of music, whether live or recorded, for dancing; or
 - (iii) live music;
- (g) Sub-paragraph (f)(iii) shall not apply to music at a marriage ceremony or civil partnership ceremony;
- (h) must carry out a risk assessment which complies with the requirements of regulation 9(5)(a) and which determines—
 - (i) the maximum number of persons who may be seated in each part of the premises; and
 - (ii) the volume at which any background or ambient music will be played so as to enable visitors to conduct conversation at normal loudness of speech;
- (i) must retain the risk assessment referred to in subparagraph (h) on the premises and make it available immediately for inspection by visitors to the premises or to a relevant person on request;

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- (j) must take all reasonable measures to limit the risk of transmission of the coronavirus in accordance with regulation 9(5)(b);
- (k) must display prominently, at each part of the premises, the maximum number of persons who may be seated in that part of the premises;
- (l) must permit orders for food or drink (including intoxicating liquor) to be placed only by persons seated at a table;
- (m) must not permit the consumption of food or drink (including intoxicating liquor) on the premises other than by a person seated at a table; and
- (n) must not permit a visitor to move within the premises other than to enter or exit the premises, access a table, make a payment, or access and use toilet, baby changing or breast feeding facilities or a smoking area.”