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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1200**

**PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND**

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus,  
Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020**

*Approved by both Houses of Parliament*

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>at 2.45 p.m. on 3rd November 2020</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>at 4.10 p.m. on 3rd November 2020</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>5th November 2020</i>

<sup>F1</sup>The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 45C(1), (3)(c), (4)(b), (4)(d), 45F(2) and 45P of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 <sup>M1</sup>.

These Regulations are made in response to the serious and imminent threat to public health which is posed by the incidence and spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) in England.

The Secretary of State considers that the restrictions and requirements imposed by these Regulations are proportionate to what they seek to achieve, which is a public health response to that threat.

In accordance with section 45R of that Act, the Secretary of State is of the opinion that, by reason of urgency, it is necessary to make this instrument without a draft having been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Regulations revoked (except regs. 24-26) (2.12.2020) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus, Restrictions\) \(All Tiers\) \(England\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1374\)](#), regs. 1(2), **16** (with reg. 15, Sch. 5 para. 5(2))

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**Marginal Citations**

- M1** 1984 c. 22. Part 2A was inserted by section 129 of the [Health and Social Care Act 2008 \(c. 14\)](#).

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**Consequential amendments** **E+W**

24.—(1) In regulation 9(9) of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (No. 2) (England) Regulations 2020 <sup>M2</sup>, after sub-paragraph (m), insert—

“(n) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020.”.

(2) In regulation 18(7A) of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Collection of Contact Details etc and Related Requirements) Regulations 2020, after sub-paragraph (f), insert—

“(g) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020.”.

(3) Regulation 14 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (No. 3) (England) Regulations 2020 is amended as follows—

(a) in paragraph (7C), after sub-paragraph (f), insert—

“(g) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020.”;

(b) in paragraph (8), after sub-paragraph (m), insert—

“(n) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020.”;

(c) in paragraph (8A), after sub-paragraph (e), insert—

“(f) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020, if the notice was issued to the person in respect of a business restriction offence as defined by regulation 21(12) of those Regulations or an offence of contravening a restriction or requirement imposed by Part 4 of those Regulations.”.

(4) The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Obligations of Undertakings) (England) Regulations 2020 <sup>M3</sup> are amended as follows—

(a) in regulation 1—

(i) after paragraph (2), insert—

“(2A) Regulations 1A and 2 do not have effect during in the period in which the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 are in force.”

(ii) In paragraph (3)(c), for the words from “paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Principal Regulations” substitute “the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020”;

(b) in regulation 4(8A), after sub-paragraph (f), insert—

“(g) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020, where the fixed penalty notice relates to a business restriction offence as defined by regulation 21(12) of those Regulations.”

#### Commencement Information

**I1** Reg. 24 in force at 5.11.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M2** [S.I. 2020/684](#).

**M3** [S.I. 2020/1008](#), amended by [S.I. 2020/1046](#).

### Revocations **E+W**

**25.** The following Regulations are revoked—

- (a) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Medium) (England) Regulations 2020, other than Schedule 3 to those Regulations;
- (b) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (High) (England) Regulations 2020, other than Schedule 3 to those Regulations;
- (c) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Very High) (England) Regulations 2020, other than Schedule 3 to those Regulations.

#### Commencement Information

**I2** Reg. 25 in force at 5.11.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

### Transitional provisions **E+W**

**26.—**(1) A designation made, or treated as made, in exercise of the powers conferred by the following provisions is to be treated as if it had been made in exercise of the powers conferred by regulations 19(11)(b), 21(3)(b), 21(16)(a) or 22 (as appropriate) of these Regulations—

- (a) regulation 4(9)(b), 6(3)(b), 6(16) or 7 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Medium) Regulations 2020;
- (b) regulation 4(9)(b), 6(3)(b), 6(16) or 7 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (High) Regulations 2020;
- (c) regulation 4(9)(b), 6(3)(b), 6(16) or 7 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Very High) Regulations 2020.

(2) Despite the revocation by regulation 25 of—

- (a) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Medium) (England) Regulations 2020;

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- (b) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (High) (England) Regulations 2020;
- (c) the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Local COVID-19 Alert Level) (Very High) (England) Regulations 2020,

those Regulations continue in force as they had effect immediately before 5th November 2020 in relation to any offence committed under those Regulations before that date.

**Commencement Information**

**I3** Reg. 26 in force at 5.11.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

Department for Health and Social Care

*Matt Hancock*  
Secretary of State

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<sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE **E+W**

Regulations 15(7), 16(4) and 18(1)

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations impose restrictions on the occasions on which a person can leave or be outside of the place where they are living and on gatherings. They also require the closure of a number of businesses, and impose restrictions on businesses.

The restrictions will cease to have effect 28 days from the date on which these Regulations are made.

No impact assessment has been prepared for these Regulations.

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