
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Health Protection (Coronavirus,
Restrictions) (Steps) (England) Regulations 2021

PART 5

Enforcement

Offences and penalties

- 11.**—(1) A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, the person—
- (a) contravenes a Step 1 restriction, a Step 2 restriction or a Step 3 restriction,
 - (b) contravenes a restriction or requirement in regulation 8,
 - (c) contravenes a requirement imposed, or a direction given, under regulation 10,
 - (d) fails to comply with a reasonable instruction or a prohibition notice given by a relevant person under regulation 10, or
 - (e) obstructs any person carrying out a function under these Regulations (including any person who is a relevant person for the purposes of regulation 10).
- (2) A person who intentionally or recklessly provides false or misleading information on a travel declaration form, except for reasons of national security, commits an offence.
- (3) An offence under this regulation is punishable on summary conviction by a fine.
- (4) If an offence under this regulation committed by a body corporate is proved—
- (a) to have been committed with the consent or connivance of an officer of the body corporate, or
 - (b) to be attributable to any neglect on the part of such an officer,
- the officer (as well as the body corporate) is guilty of the offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
- (5) In paragraph (4) “officer”, in relation to a body corporate, means a director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate.
- (6) If the affairs of a body corporate are managed by its members, subsection (4) applies in relation to the acts and defaults of a member in connection with that member’s functions of management as if that member were a director of the body.
- (7) Section 24 (arrest without warrant: constable) of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984⁽¹⁾ applies in relation to an offence under this regulation as if the reasons in subsection (5) of that section included—
- (a) to maintain public health;
 - (b) to maintain public order.

⁽¹⁾ 1984 c. 60. Section 24 was substituted by s. 110(1) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15).

Status: *This is the original version (as it was originally made).*
