## WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2020 No. 686

## The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2020

## Amendment of the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) Regulations 2020

- **2.**—(1) The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) Regulations 2020(1) are amended as follows.
  - (2) In regulation 1, after paragraph (5) insert—
    - "(6) If two households agree to be treated as a single (extended) household for the purposes of these Regulations, any reference in these Regulations (other than in paragraphs (7) and (8)) to a "household" is to be read as including both households.
    - (7) To agree to be treated as a single household all of the adults of the two households must agree.
      - (8) But—
        - (a) a household may only agree to be treated as a single household with one other household, and
        - (b) if two households cease to agree to be treated as a single household, neither household may agree to be treated as a single household under paragraph (6) with any other household."
  - (3) For regulation 8 substitute—
    - "8.—(1) During the emergency period no person may, without a reasonable excuse—
      - (a) gather outdoors with any other person apart from—
        - (i) members of their household or of no more than one other household,
        - (ii) their carer, or
        - (iii) a person they are providing care to;
      - (b) gather in premises indoors with any other person apart from—
        - (i) the members of their household,
        - (ii) their carer, or
        - (iii) a person they are providing care to.
    - (2) A reasonable excuse includes the need to do the following—
      - (a) obtain medical assistance, including accessing any of the services referred to in paragraph 42 of Schedule 1 or accessing veterinary services;

<sup>(1)</sup> S.I. 2020/353 (W. 80) as amended by the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/399 (W. 88)), the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/452 (W. 102)), the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/497 (W. 118)), the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/529 (W. 124)), the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/619 (W. 141)).

- (b) provide or receive care or assistance, including relevant personal care, within the meaning of paragraph 7(3B) of Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding of Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, where the person receiving the care is a vulnerable person;
- (c) provide or receive emergency assistance;
- (d) donate blood;
- (e) work or provide voluntary or charitable services;
- (f) where the person is an elite athlete, train or compete;
- (g) attend a solemnization of a marriage or formation of a civil partnership—
  - (i) as a party to the marriage or civil partnership,
  - (ii) if invited to attend, or
  - (iii) as the carer of a person attending.
- (h) attend a funeral—
  - (i) as a person responsible for arranging the funeral,
  - (ii) if invited by a person responsible for arranging the funeral, or
  - (iii) as the carer of a person attending;
- (i) meet a legal obligation, including attending court or satisfying bail conditions, or to participate in legal proceedings;
- (j) access or receive critical public services, including—
  - (i) childcare or educational services;
  - (ii) social services;
  - (iii) services provided by the Department for Work and Pensions;
  - (iv) services provided to victims (such as victims of crime or domestic violence);
- (k) in relation to children who do not live in the same household as their parents, or one of their parents, continue existing arrangements for access to, and contact between, parents and children, and for the purposes of this paragraph, "parent" includes a person who is not a parent of the child, but who has parental responsibility for, or who has care of, the child;
- (l) move home;
- (m) prepare a residential property for persons to move in;
- (n) undertake the following activities in connection with the purchase, sale, letting or rental of unoccupied residential property—
  - (i) visiting estate or letting agents, developer sales offices or show homes;
  - (ii) viewing such a property;
- (o) participate in activities organised by outdoor visitor attractions;
- (p) avoid injury or illness or escape a risk of harm.
- (3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a person who is homeless.
- (4) For the purposes of paragraph (2)(q), a property is unoccupied if no person occupies the property as a residence."
- (4) Omit regulation 8B.
- (5) In regulation 10—
  - (a) omit paragraphs (2), (3) and (4);

- (b) in paragraph (5), for "I has responsibility for a child if I" substitute "an individual has responsibility for a child if the individual";
- (c) omit paragraph (6);
- (d) in paragraph (7)—
  - (i) omit "together";
  - (ii) for "8B" substitute "8(1)";
- (e) in paragraph (8A), for "8B" substitute "8(1)";
- (f) in paragraph (10), after "regulation 11" insert "(including requiring a person to provide information as to whether two households have entered into an agreement in accordance with regulation 1(6))".
- (6) In regulation 12(1)(a), omit "8B".
- (7) In Schedule 1—
  - (a) in Part 2 insert—
    - "24A. Indoor visitor attractions."
  - (b) in Part 4 insert—
    - "55. Outdoor visitor attractions."