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(Coronavirus, International Travel)
(Wales) (Amendment) Regulations
2020**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (the “International Travel Regulations”).

The International Travel Regulations impose requirements on persons entering Wales after having been abroad. They include requiring persons to isolate for a period of 14 days. The requirements are subject to exceptions, and certain categories of person are exempt from having to comply.

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Public Health Information to Travellers) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (“the amendment regulations”) amended the International Travel Regulations. By virtue of those amendments, persons entering Wales after being in one or more of the countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations (as inserted by the amendment regulations) are not required to isolate. The countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 are referred to as “exempt countries and territories”.

These Regulations amend the International Travel Regulations to remove Serbia from the Schedule 3 list of exempt countries and territories.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared as to the likely cost and benefit of complying with these Regulations.

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Made at 3.45 p.m. on 10 July 2020

Laid before *Senedd*
Cymru at 6.00 p.m. on 10 July 2020

Coming into force 11 July 2020

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 45B and 45P(2) of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984(1), make the following Regulations.

Title, coming into force and interpretation

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 11 July 2020.

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

Amendment to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020

2.—(1) The International Travel Amendments are amended as follows.

(1) 1984 c. 22. Part 2A was inserted by section 129 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (c. 14). The function of making regulations under Part 2A is conferred on “the appropriate Minister”. Under section 45T(6) of the 1984 Act the appropriate Minister as respects Wales, is the Welsh Ministers.

(2) S.I. 2020/574 (W. 132) as amended by S.I. 2020/714 (W. 160).

(2) In Part 1 of Schedule 3 (exempt countries and territories outside the common travel area), omit “Serbia”.

Persons departing Serbia on 10 July 2020

3.—(1) For the purposes of regulation 7(1)(b) and 8(1) of the International Travel Regulations, a person arriving in Wales after these Regulations come into force is not to be treated as having been in a non-exempt country or territory within the period of 14 days ending with the day of the person’s arrival in Wales if the person—

- (a) departs Serbia on 10 July 2020, and
- (b) has not been in another non-exempt country or territory within that 14 day period.

(2) In this regulation, “non-exempt country or territory” has the same meaning as in regulation 9(1) of the International Travel Regulations.

Mark Drakeford

The First Minister, one of the Welsh Ministers
At 3.45 p.m. on 10 July 2020

