



Briefing Note 123 - COVID-19 Guidance
As at 12:00 Monday 7th December 2020

Summary of UK activities: period ending Monday 7th December

THREE-TIER RESTRICTIONS APPLY IN ENGLAND	
	<u>Tier 3: Very High Alert</u>
	<u>Tier 2 High Alert</u>
	<u>Tier 1: Medium Alert</u>
Date	

Monday 30th November 2020

- 01 [Extended shopping hours authorised for Christmas shopping](#)

Tuesday 1st December 2020

- 01 [Lastminute.com agrees to refund £7m for cancelled holidays](#)
02 [Prime Minister's statement on COVID-19 regulations to Parliament \[1st December\]](#)
03 [Arrangements for visits by care home residents of working age out of care homes](#)
04 [Coronavirus Act 2020: two-monthly report on active powers \[November 2020\]](#)
05 [COVID-19 grassroots sports guidance for public and sports providers](#)
06 [Prime Minister announces £1,000 Christmas grant for 'wet-led pubs'](#)
07 [Care home residents to be reunited with families by Christmas](#)

Wednesday 2nd December 2020

- 01 [Festive travel tips for people considering overseas travel](#)
02 [UK authorises Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine](#)
03 [COVID-19 vaccine priority groups: advice issued by UK JCVI](#)
04 [UK medicines regulator approves first COVID-19 vaccine for UK use](#)
05 [Slides used by medicines regulator to explain vaccine approval at COVID-19 briefing](#)
06 [Regulatory approval for UK use of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine](#)
07 [Prime Minister's statement at COVID-19 press conference \[2nd December\]](#)

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Thursday 3rd December 2020

- 01 [Quality of death registration data during COVID-19 \[England and Wales\]](#)
- 02 [Guidance to support the summer 2021 exams \[for schools, colleges & students\]](#)
- 03 [More than one million people reached by NHS Test and Trace](#)
- 04 [Help with remote education: guidance and support for teachers & school leaders](#)
- 05 [UK government adds COVID-19 to Vaccine Damage Payments Scheme](#)
- 06 [COVID-19 cases by local authority area in England \[3rd December 2020\]](#)

Friday 4th December 2020

- 01 [Test and Trace Support Payment scheme privacy notice](#)
- 02 [Quarantine exemptions for those bringing significant benefit to the UK economy](#)
- 03 [Additional COVID-19 enforcement powers for local authorities in England](#)
- 04 [COVID-19 vaccinations and care homes: programme launch](#)

Saturday 5th December 2020

- 01 [Over half a million people in the UK taking part in pioneering COVID-19 research](#)

B. Data sources

Sources of statistics and survey data related to the COVID-19 response

- B1 [UK COVID-19 deaths within 28 days of a positive test: 61,245](#)
- B2 [UK deaths with COVID-19 on the death certificate: 69,752](#)
- B3 [UK people who have tested positive for COVID-19 within past 7 days: 105,918](#)
- B4 [Office for National Statistics \(ONS\): analysis of COVID-19 data](#)
- B5 [The R number and growth rate in the UK](#)
- B6 [National COVID-19 surveillance reports \[Public Health England\]](#)
- B7 [HM Treasury business loan scheme statistics](#)
- B8 [PPE delivery statistics \(England\): weekly reports](#)
- B9 [Transport use in Great Britain since March 2020: data across all modes](#)
- B10 [Grant payments made to businesses by local authority area in England](#)
- B11 [Government data on funding to support businesses and self-employed](#)
- B12 [Analysis over time, business impact of COVID-19: Waves 2 to 5, UK](#)

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- B13 [COVID-19 and the effects on the UK Balance of Payments](#)
- B14 [Analysis of death registrations NOT associated with COVID-19](#)
- B15 [Social impacts on Great Britain: Opinions and Lifestyle Survey \[4th December 2020\]](#)
- B16 [Household spending data during COVID-19](#)
- B17 [Weekly statistics for NHS Test & Trace \(England\) and COVID-19 testing \(UK\)](#)
- B18 [NHS test and Trace methodology \(England\)](#)
- B19 [Infection Survey pilot: England and Wales \[4th December 2020\]](#)
- B20 [COVID-19: impact on health – reports and tools \[collection\]](#)
- B21 [Number of COVID-19 tests in defence and positive cases in the UK Armed Forces 2020](#)
- B22 [COVID-19 and the indicators for the UK economy and society: 3rd December 2020](#)
- B23 [COVID-19 excess mortality rates in English regions](#)
- B24 [Vulnerable children and young people survey](#)
- B25 [Comparing methods used in infection survey and NHS Test and Trace](#)
- B26 [COVID-19 and the non-UK workforce characteristics](#)
- B27 [National flu and COVID-19 surveillance reports](#)
- B28 [Deaths due to COVID-19 compared with deaths from influenza and pneumonia](#)
- B29 [Survey of childcare and early years providers and COVID-19](#)
- B30 [Public attitude survey of traffic and road use during COVID-19](#)
- B31 [COVID-19 deaths of people identified as having learning disabilities](#)
- B32 [Self-Employment Income Support Scheme statistics: November 2020](#)
- B33 [UK Immigration and border statistics relating to COVID-19](#)

C. Devolved administrations

Information for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

- C1 [Information about COVID-19 and its impact on Scotland](#)
- C2 [Information about COVID-19 and its impact on Wales](#)
- C3 [Information about COVID-19 and its impact on Northern Ireland](#)

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D. Commentary

Three-tier system of restrictions for England

On Monday 30th November, the UK government published its [48-page impact assessment](#) which provides the basis of the three-tier system of restrictions in England. This was followed by a press conference led by the [Health Secretary, Matt Hancock](#). He announced that the national restrictions had been successful with a reported reduction of one third in new cases commenting that 'we have got the virus back under control'

The new [three-tier system of restrictions](#) were approved by Parliament on 1st December and came into force the next day. The allocation of local authority areas to tiers will be reviewed on 16th December 2020.

Just three areas in England have been placed in the lowest tier (Tier 1 – medium risk) with the remainder of England being in Tier 2 (high risk) and Tier 3 (very high risk).

Copies of the three posters shown below describing the three-tier system in England are available for downloading and printing [here](#).



Vaccines

Significant progress on vaccine development was announced during the week, with 357 million doses of seven different vaccines currently on order for the UK, subject to regulatory approval.

On Wednesday, 2nd December, the UK became the first country in the world to approve the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine for UK use. At a press conference held on the same day, the UK medicines regulator [MHRA explained](#) the extensive safety assessment process. The UK has pre-

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ordered 40 million doses of this vaccine which is enough to vaccinate 20 million people with two doses. A [vaccine priority list](#) has been produced by the [Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation \(JCVI\)](#) and an active monitoring programme is to be put in place. The most vulnerable individuals will be offered the vaccine first.

The R number

The [latest R number](#) range for the UK is 0.8 - 1.0 (as at 4th December 2020) and the growth rate range is between -3% and -1%, meaning that the rate of new infections is estimated to be shrinking by between -3% and -1% every day.

International travel

International travel advice continues to be updated frequently and the latest travel information is available [here](#).

The UK government has issued [five festive travel tips](#) for people to consider before deciding to go abroad.

Dates of interest

15th December 2020: [Test to Release Scheme](#) for international travel begins.

16th December 2020: Review of allocation of local authority areas to tier system in England.

31st January 2021: closing date for applications for the [Bounce Back Loan Scheme](#), the [Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme](#) and the [Future Fund](#).

31st March 2021: [Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme](#) ends.

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Annex A

RESOURCES: UK government guidance and related advice

Information updated at 12:00 Monday 7th December 2020

REF	DOCUMENTS and OTHER SOURCES OF GUIDANCE	DATE
RECOVERY PLANNING		
R1	OUR PLAN TO REBUILD: The UK Government’s COVID-19 Recovery Strategy	11/05/2020
R2	NEXT CHAPTER IN OUR PLAN TO REBUILD: The UK Recovery Strategy	24/07/2020
R3	COVID-19 CONTAIN national framework: a guide for local decision-makers	01/12/2020
R4	Working safely during coronavirus [searchable online manual – 14 guides]	04/12/2020
R5	Safer public places – urban centres and green spaces	26/06/2020
R6	Guidance for moving home safely in England	30/11/2020
R7	Guidance on accessing green spaces safely	02/12/2020
R8	Reopening High Streets Safely Fund guidance	08/10/2020
R9	Actions for schools during the pandemic	03/12/2020
R10	Guidance on the phased return of sport and recreation	30/11/2020
R11	Elite sport: guidance on return to domestic competition	30/11/2020
R12	National Framework for Prison Regimes and Services	02/06/2020
R13	Probation Service Roadmap to Recovery	02/06/2020
R14	Safer aviation guidance for operators and passengers	02/12/2020
R15	Guidance for the safe use of places of worship	01/12/2020
R16	Closing certain businesses and venues in England	03/12/2020
R17	Collection of guidance for culture, media and sport sectors	03/12/2020
R18	Guidance for managing playgrounds and outdoor gyms	01/12/2020
R19	Guidance for food businesses	05/11/2020
R20	Safer travel advice for public transport passengers	02/12/2020
R21	Guidance for the safe use of multi-purpose community facilities	30/11/2020
R22	Temporary VAT changes for hospitality and holiday accommodation	03/12/2020
R23	Working safely: providers of grassroots sports and gym/leisure facilities	04/12/2020

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R24	Driver and rider training and tests [England, Scotland & Wales]	01/12/2020
R25	Staying COVID-19 Secure in 2020 notice	23/07/2020
R26	Courts and tribunals recovery planning update	09/11/2020

ADULT SOCIAL CARE

R27	Admission and care of residents in care homes, version 2 [England]	16/09/2020
R28	How to work safely in care homes	02/11/2020
R29	Health and wellbeing of the adult social care workforce	11/05/2020
R30	Care homes support package	09/07/2020
R31	Providing personal home care [Frequently Asked Questions]	04/11/2020
R32	Adult Social Care Infection Control Fund: round 2	09/11/2020
R33	Action to take following the death of a person working in adult social care	07/07/2020
R34	Adult social care risk reduction framework [England]	Nov 2020
R35	Visiting care homes during COVID-19: revised guidance	01/12/2020
R36	Supported living services during COVID-19 [England]	01/12/2020
R37	Overview of social care guidance on COVID-19	11/09/2020
R38	Adult Social Care Winter Plan 2020-2021 to protect care homes	20/11/2020
R39	Discharge of people with a positive test from hospital to a care home	13/11/2020
R40	Person protective equipment (PPE): local contacts for care providers	24/11/2020
R41	Pilot for family members to get regular testing for safer care home visits	14/11/2020
R42	Expanded study tests immune response of care home staff and residents	19/11/2020

ANIMALS and PETS

R43	Advice for people in England with animals [pets and livestock]	02/11/2020
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BUSINESS SUPPORT AND EMPLOYMENT

Business support: Bounce Back Loan

R44	How to apply for a Bounce Back Loan [British Business Bank]	Website
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Business support: Coronavirus Additional Restrictions Grant

R45	Check if your business is eligible for the Additional Restrictions Grant	12/11/2020
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Business Support: Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme [Furlough]

R46	Check if your employer can use the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	01/12/2020
R47	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme: awareness and understanding	22/10/2020

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R48	Coronavirus JRS can be used by direct payment holders who employ carers	10/06/2020
R49	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme: guidance for research organisations	05/06/2020
R50	Steps for employers to take when calculating furlough scheme claims	01/12/2020
R51	Updated guidance for employers to check on furloughing arrangements	01/12/2020
R52	Extension of Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme to January 2021: guidance	01/12/2020
Business Support: Companies House		
R53	Sending your forms to Companies House: a temporary service	08/10/2020
R54	Guidance for Companies House customers, employees, and suppliers	06/11/2020
Business Support: Eat Out to Help Out Scheme		
R55	Recovery of overclaimed Eat Out to Help Out payments	02/11/2020
Business support: Future Fund		
R56	Financial support for businesses: Headline terms for 'Future Fund'	05/06/2020
Business support: HMRC		
R57	Genuine HMRC contact and recognising phishing emails and texts	03/12/2020
R58	Penalties for not telling HMRC about COVID-19 furlough overpayments	28/07/2020
Business support: Kickstart Scheme		
R59	Employers can apply for a grant through the Kickstart Scheme	10/11/2020
R60	Kickstart Scheme terms and conditions	30/10/2020
R61	Kickstart Scheme: promotional materials	14/10/2020
R62	Kickstart Scheme: employer resources	19/11/2020
R63	Kickstart Scheme employer contacts	18/09/2020
Business support: Local Restrictions Support grant		
R64	Check if your business is eligible for the Additional Restrictions Grant	12/11/2020
Business support: Self-Employment Income Support Scheme		
R65	Self-Employment Income Support Scheme: how to make a claim	03/12/2020
R66	Eligibility for the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme	02/12/2020
Business support: general information		
R67	Recovery Advice for Business Scheme [Free Advice until 31/12/2020]	Website
R68	Grant funding schemes: guidance for local authorities – version 6	August 2020
R69	Find financial support for your business: online support tool	Website

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R70	Guidance on Local Authority Discretionary Fund: August 2020 – version 3	August 2020
R71	How employers can use the Coronavirus Statutory Sick Pay Rebate Scheme	10/11/2020
R72	Support if your business is affected by COVID-1 [videos and webinars]	27/11/2020
R73	Information for farmers, landowners, and rural businesses	04/11/2020
R74	Support from Business Representative Organisations and trade bodies	08/06/2020
R75	Contract cancellations and refunds due to COVID-19: updated advice	28/08/2020
R76	Code of practice for the commercial property sector during COVID-19	June 2020
R77	Access to work: factsheet for those with disabilities or health conditions	17/08/2020
R78	Reporting outbreaks of COVID-19	29/09/2020
R79	Financial support for zoos and aquariums	03/08/2020
R80	Penalties for not informing HMRC about COVID-19 support overpayments	13/11/2020
R81	Tax and NI contributions exempt for employer-provided antigen tests	19/11/2020

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

R82	Guidance for parents & carers on looking after mental health of children	16/10/2020
R83	Guidance for children’s social care services	26/11/2020
R84	Making a childcare bubble with another household	02/12/2020
R85	Education and childcare support: collection of guidance	18/11/2020

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS 2020

R86	Joint governments’ statement on UK-wide Christmas arrangements	24/11/2020
R87	Making a Christmas bubble with friends and family	03/12/2020
R88	Guidance for the Christmas period	01/12/2020

CONSTRUCTION SITES

R89	Construction Industry Roadmap to Recovery	01/06/2020
R90	Construction Leadership Council	Website
R91	Construction site operating procedures: version 5	04/07/2020
R92	Charter for Safe Working Practice	13/05/2020
R93	Working safely in construction - video	13/05/2020
R94	The use of face coverings in construction – industry guidance version 2	02/11/2020

DEATHS AND BEREAVEMENT

R95	Support for the bereaved [collection of guidance in multiple languages]	15/06/2020
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R96	Guidance to local authorities in England on local death management	April 2020
R97	Guidance for managing a funeral during the pandemic	24/11/2020
R98	Collection of guidance for those involved in managing deaths	21/04/2020
R99	Information leaflet for the bereaved	28/05/2020
R100	Verification of deaths in England in times of emergency	05/05/2020
R100	Local death management: templates for use by local authorities in England	14/05/2020
R101	Process for informing government of the death of a worker in social care	07/07/2020
R102	Public health funerals: good practice guidance [England and Wales]	16/09/2020
Guidance from the Chief Coroner		
R103	Chief Coroner's Note 34 – guidance for coroners	26/03/2020
R104	Chief Coroner's Note 35 – hearings during the pandemic	27/03/2020
R105	Chief Coroner's Note 36 – Coronavirus Act: provisions relevant to coroners	30/03/2020
R106	Chief Coroner's Note 37 – possible COVID-19 workplace exposure	28/04/2020
EDUCATION		
Education – downloadable resources		
R107	BBC Bitesize: support for students in primary and secondary schools	Website
R108	Oak National Academy: an online teaching resource for teachers	Website
R109	Oak National Academy: downloadable Schools Pack for remote teaching	Website
R110	Collection of online resources for home learning	03/12/2020
R111	Remote education good practice	27/10/2020
R112	Example lessons for remote teaching	26/10/2020
R113	School-led webinars on remote education	02/12/2020
R114	Help with accessing and buying resources for remote education	23/11/2020
Education – education settings and vocational training		
R115	Collection of guidance for schools and other educational settings	03/12/2020
R116	Information for parents & carers about schools & other settings	27/11/2020
R117	Actions for schools in England during the COVID-19	03/12/2020
R118	Collection of guidance for early years and childcare [England]	03/12/2020
R119	Providing apprenticeships during COVID-19	26/11/2020
R120	International travel advice for educational settings	05/10/2020

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R121	Planning guide for primary schools in England	03/12/2020
R122	Tier 4 sponsors, migrants & short-term students on temporary concessions	05/10/2020
R123	Actions for early years and childcare providers [England]	03/12/2020
R124	School governance update	02/12/2020
R125	Higher education restructuring scheme to help universities in England	30/10/2020
R126	10 top tips for parents to support children to read	16/07/2020
R127	Protective measures for after-school clubs and other out-of-school settings	27/11/2020
R128	Information about going back to school, nurseries, and colleges	27/11/2020
R129	Guidance for boarding schools with international students	06/11/2020
R130	Package of support for students who have to defer their studies	25/11/2020
R131	Vocational and technical assessments in 2021 [Ofqual]	12/10/2020
R132	Student movement and travel plans for the end of term [Christmas 2020]	02/12/2020
R133	How additional funding can help pupils catch up on missed education	19/11/2020

FACE COVERINGS

R134	Face coverings: when to wear one and how to make your own	04/12/2020
R135	How to make and wear a simple cloth face covering	15/07/2020
R136	Face coverings in education [England]	27/11/2020

FOOD HYGIENE

R137	Guidance for consumers on how to maintain food hygiene	25/04/2020
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GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN UK GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

R138	Glossary	20/10/2020
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GOVERNMENT PLANNING AND CO-ORDINATION OF COVID-19 RESPONSE

R139	Parliamentary scrutiny of the government's handling of COVID-19	10/09/2020
R140	Public Inquiry into government's handling of COVID-19 response	10/09/2020

HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND HOSPITAL SETTINGS

R141	Background information (epidemiology, virology, and clinical features)	30/11/2020
R142	Collection of guidance for healthcare professionals and others	30/11/2020
R143	Management of exposed healthcare workers, patients, and care residents	28/08/2020
R144	Guidance for ambulance trusts	18/05/2020
R145	Guidance for first responders	22/09/2020

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R146	Guidance for taking swab samples	02/07/2020
R147	Infection prevention and control	20/10/2020
R148	Infection control precautions when discharging from hospital to home	30/07/2020
R149	Health and care settings: infection prevention and control version 1.0	20/08/2020
R150	Flu immunisation training recommendations	05/08/2020
R151	Hospital discharge arrangements: collection of guidance	16/09/2020
HEMOCARE [DOMICILIARY CARE]		
R152	PPE for care workers delivering home care in England	20/07/2020
R153	Putting on PPE for home carers	30/04/2020
R154	Taking off PPE for home carers	30/04/2020
R155	Using direct payments for health budgets and social care	18/11/2020
R156	Weekly testing for all homecare workers in registered organisations	01/12/2020
IMMIGRATION AND BORDERS		
R157	Guidance for those affected by changes to UK immigration & borders	04/12/2020
R158	Thousands more health workers to benefit from visa extensions	20/11/2020
INTERNATIONAL		
R159	Guidance for UK businesses trading internationally	26/06/2020
R160	Essential international travel advice	01/12/2020
R161	Advice for UK visa applicants and temporary UK residents	23/11/2020
R162	How to self-isolate if you are coming to the UK from abroad	27/11/2020
R163	Global Travel Taskforce to assess safe and sustainable international travel	07/10/2020
R164	COVID-19 risk assessment methodology for inbound international travel	24/11/2020
R165	COVID-19 test to release for international travel [begins on 15th December]	27/11/2020
INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE HANDLING OF THE PANDEMIC PREPARATION AND RESPONSE		
R166	Readying the NHS and adult social care in England for COVID-19 [NAO]	12/06/2020
R167	Investigation into UK government procurement during COVID-19 [NAO]	18/11/2020
LABORATORIES		
R168	Guidance for sampling and for diagnostic laboratories	16/07/2020
LAWS AND REGULATIONS		
R169	Coronavirus Act 2020	25/03/2020

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R170	Coronavirus Act 2020: table setting out the status of each power	07/05/2020
R171	Coronavirus Act 2020: two-monthly reports on active powers [3 reports]	01/10/2020
R172	Coronavirus Act 2020 analysis: how the Act has been applied [CP 295]	23/09/2020
R173	Health Protection (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020	10/02/2020
R174	Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020	26/03/2020
R175	The Adoption and Children (Coronavirus)(Amendment) Regulations 2020	24/04/2020
R176	HSE guidance on RIDDOR reporting of COVID-19	Website
R177	Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Info for Passengers) Regs	08/06/2020
R178	Businesses to give access to toilet and washing facilities for delivery drivers	14/06/2020
R179	Health & Social Care Workers (Scrutiny of Coronavirus Deaths) Directions	03/07/2020
R180	How to join telephone and video court and tribunal hearings	25/11/2020
R181	Coronavirus Act 2020 Provision of Remote Education (England)	Sept 2020
R182	Making traffic regulation orders during COVID-19	29/06/2020

LIFE ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR NHS AND SOCIAL CARE WORKERS [England]

R183	NHS & Social Care Coronavirus Life Assurance Scheme	Website
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LOCAL AUTHORITIES

R184	Guidance to local authorities for controlling fraud	March 2020
R185	Council tax: guidance for local authorities on the hardship fund 2020-2021	March 2020
R186	Business rates discount 2020-2021: guidance for local authorities	02/04/2020
R187	Guidance to local authorities in England on prioritising waste collections	12/10/2020
R188	Collection of guidance for local authorities' children's services	26/11/2020
R189	Mitigating impacts on Gypsy and traveller Communities	01/05/2020
R190	Guidance for local government	04/12/2020
R191	Community Infrastructure Levy guidance	10/08/2020
R192	Guidance for public health officers: potentially infectious persons	July 2020
R193	Local government income compensation scheme for lost sales, fees, etc.	24/08/2020
R194	COVID-19 local authority compliance and enforcement grant allocations	08/10/2020
R195	Allocation of additional emergency funding for local authorities in England	22/10/2020
R196	COVID Winter Grant Scheme for vulnerable households and families	27/11/2020
R197	Contain Outbreak Management Fund [payments to local authorities]	26/11/2020

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LOCAL RESTRICTIONS: THE THREE-TIER SYSTEM IN ENGLAND

R198	The new local restrictions three-tier system: what you need to know	30/11/2020
R199	Full list of COVID-19 restriction tiers in England by area	26/11/2020

MEDICINES AND HEALTHCARE REGULATORY AUTHORITY (MHRA)

R200	Medicines & Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA): collection	02/12/2020
R201	MHRA to review safety of Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine	27/11/2020

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUPPORT

Mental health and wellbeing: online support

R202	Mental health helplines	Website
R203	Samaritans	Website
R204	Young Minds	Website
R205	Mental Health UK	Website
R206	Every Mind Matters	Website
R207	FRONTLINE: support for health, care, emergency, education & key workers	Website
R208	Aye Feel [mental health support for young people in Scotland]	Website
R209	Lifelines Scotland: support for emergency responders in Scotland	Website
R210	Get fit with Flex and Strength [NHS exercise plan]	Website

Mental health and wellbeing: advice and guidance

R211	Support and guidance for those suffering with mental health issues	04/11/2020
R212	Easy-read guide: looking after your feelings and body	March 2020
R213	Health and social care staff who care for people lacking mental capacity	11/11/2020
R214	Teaching mental wellbeing: practical materials for training staff in schools	08/06/2020
R215	Mental health and wellbeing if you are abroad during the pandemic	18/06/2020
R216	COVID-19: mental health and wellbeing surveillance report	12/11/2020
R217	Staying mentally well: Winter Plan 2020-21	23/11/2020

MILITARY AID TO THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES (MACA)/ARMED FORCES

R218	COVID-19 update on changes to Veterans UK Services	15/10/2020
R219	COVID Support Force: military support to UK public services	27/11/2020
R220	Military veteran community response to COVID-19 support	16/11/2020

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OFFICE FOR BUDGET RESPONSIBILITY (OBR)

R221 [Coronavirus analysis and implications for the UK economy \[OBR\]](#) Website

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

R222 [Personal Protective Equipment Plan](#) 10/04/2020

R223 [PPE use for aerosol generating procedures](#) 21/08/2020

R224 [PPE use for non-aerosol generating procedures](#) 21/08/2020

R225 [Management of exposed healthcare workers and patients in hospitals](#) 28/09/2020

R226 [Coronavirus Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) Hub](#) 02/11/2020

R227 [Cleansing and PPE waste at a healthcare management facility: RPS C1](#) 24/09/2020

R228 [Personal Protective Equipment Portal – how to order emergency supplies](#) 04/12/2020

R229 [PPE guide for community and social care settings](#) 31/07/2020

R230 [#WearAMaskChallenge \[World Health Organisation\]](#) 06/08/2020

R231 [Personal Protective Equipment Strategy: Stabilise and build resilience](#) 29/09/2020

UK GOVERNMENT MINISTERS' STATEMENTS

Prime Minister's statements

R232 [Prime Minister's COVID-19 statement on 2nd November 2020](#) 02/11/2020

R233 [Prime Minister's COVID-19 statement to Parliament on 4th November 2020](#) 04/11/2020

R234 [Prime Minister's COVID-19 statement on 5th November 2020](#) 05/11/2020

R235 [Prime Minister's COVID-19 statement on 9th November 2020](#) 09/11/2020

R236 [Prime Minister's COVID-19 statement on 23rd November 2020](#) 23/11/2020

R237 [Prime Minister's statement on COVID-19 and new tier system](#) 26/11/2020

Departmental Ministers' statements

R238 [Health Secretary warns of long-term health effects of COVID-19](#) 21/10/2020

PROCUREMENT POLICY GUIDANCE TO PUBLIC BODIES

R239 [Payment to suppliers of public bodies](#) 25/06/2020

PUBLIC INFORMATION

R240 [Coronavirus: action plan – A guide to what you can expect across the UK](#) 03/03/2020

R241 [Guidance for everyone](#) 02/12/2020

R242 [Easy read guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection](#) Nov 2020

R243 [Video explanation about the rate of infection value known as 'R'](#) 30/04/2020

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R244	British Sign Language COVID-19 information accessible via SIGNHEALTH	Website
R245	Searching for archaeological finds in England during COVID-19	27/11/2020
R246	Keeping court and tribunal buildings safe, secure, and clean	28/10/2020
R247	Advice for smokers and vapers	29/05/2020
R248	Review of disparities in risks and outcomes of COVID-19 [PHE Review]	August 2020
R249	Understanding the impact of COVID-19 on BAME groups: recommendations	16/06/2020
R250	UK Covid-19 Alert level increased from 3 to 4	21/09/2020
R251	COVID-19 and prisons	02/12/2020
R252	Disposing of your personal or business waste in England	13/07/2020
R253	Excess weight and COVID-19: insights from new evidence	24/07/2020
R254	Wedding services: cancellations and refunds due to COVID-19	07/09/2020
R255	The impact of COVID-19 on people living with obesity	07/09/2020
R256	Ask a minister a question about COVID-19: register your question online	19/10/2020
R257	Sewage signals early warning of COVID-19 outbreak	23/10/2020
R258	New national measures affecting caravan and park home sites	04/11/2020
R259	Updated guidance issued to protect clinically extremely vulnerable people	04/11/2020
R260	New film shows importance of ventilation to reduce spread of COVID-19	18/11/2020
R261	Social Security Advisory Committee benefits study	18/11/2020

RENTING AND LANDLORDS

R262	Guidance for landlords, tenants and local authorities [England]	27/11/2020
R263	Residential landlords to provide extended notice	07/09/2020
R264	Government sets out comprehensive support for renters this winter	10/09/2020
R265	Government extends support to stop business evictions this year	16/09/2020
R266	Understanding the possession action process in England and Wales	27/11/2020

ROUGH SLEEPERS

R267	Provision of night shelters: COVID-19 operating principles	13/10/2020
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SCIENTIFIC ADVICE

R268	Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE) membership	04/12/2020
R269	Collection of scientific evidence supporting the UK government response	04/12/2020

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SECURITY

R270	Guidance on cyber security and home working	Website
R271	‘Silent Solution’ – how to call the police by mobile if you cannot speak	07/04/2019
R272	Thinkuknow programme to protect children when using devices online	Website
R273	Online blackmail education resource for 15 to 18-year-olds	Website
R274	Guidance for keeping children safe online	25/06/2020
R275	Voluntary Principles to counter online child sexual exploitation and abuse	08/05/2020
R276	Security considerations in an economically challenging time [CPNI]	10/06/2020
R277	Domestic abuse: how to get help during COVID-19	13/08/2020
R278	Hotline launched to report COVID fraudsters	13/10/2020
R279	COVID-19 and the private security industry: frequently asked questions	30/11/2020

SHIELDING

R280	Shielding and protecting people defined as medically extremely vulnerable	02/12/2020
R281	How to help safely	30/11/2020

SOCIAL DISTANCING – STAYING AWAY FROM OTHER PEOPLE

R282	Making a support bubble with another household	02/11/2020
R283	The Distance Aware Initiative: ‘Please give me space’	07/08/2020
R284	Legal duty to self-isolate [in force on 28th September 2020]	28/09/2020

TESTING ARRANGEMENTS & TEST AND TRACE SERVICE (NHS)

R285	UK Government Testing Strategy: Scaling up our testing programmes	04/04/2020
R286	Developing NHS Test and Trace: business plan [policy paper]	30/07/2020
R287	Getting tested: guidance for who can be tested and how to get tested	26/11/2020
R288	NHS Test and Trace: workplace guidance	02/12/2020
R289	NHS Test and Trace: how it works	08/10/2020
R290	NHS Test and Trace Service in England: video explaining how it works	28/05/2020
R291	Contacts of people with COVID-19 who do not live with the person	30/10/2020
R292	NHS test and trace (England): methodology for putting the data together	03/12/2020
R293	Testing: guidance for employers and third-party healthcare providers	02/12/2020
R294	Allocation of COVID-19 swab tests in England	21/09/2020
R295	Use of the NHS COVID-19 app in schools and further education colleges	06/11/2020

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R296	NHS COVID-19 app for England and Wales – download here	Website
R297	Guidance on when to book a COVID-19 test for a child	25/09/2020
R298	Exemption from National Insurance for Test & Trace Support Payments	02/10/2020
R299	NHS test and Trace: how samples are tested	20/11/2020
R300	Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme: claiming financial support	26/11/2020
R301	High sensitivity of lateral flow COVID-19 tests confirmed	11/11/2020
R302	Booking tests: self-referral portal user guide for essential workers	30/04/2020
R303	Online portal for care homes to arrange testing for staff and residents	Website
R304	How to use your COVID-19 home test kit	12/11/2020
R305	How tests and testing kits for COVID-19 work	20/11/2020
R306	How to self-declare as a private sector COVID-19 testing provider	25/10/2020
R307	Information for general medical practices on providing COVID-19 testing	04/11/2020
R308	List of local authorities in England issued with lateral flow tests	02/12/2020
R309	Two new diagnostic mega laboratories to open in the UK in 2021	16/11/2020
R310	Guidance for pooled COVID-19 testing pilot for universities	24/11/2020
R311	Community testing: explainer	30/11/2020

TRANSPORT, TRAVEL AND UK BORDER CONTROLS

R312	Safety guidance for towpaths and waterways	02/12/2020
R313	Statutory guidance for local authorities on managing their road networks	13/11/2020
R314	Transport and travel advice for passengers and those working in transport	02/12/2020
R315	Safer transport guidance for operators	02/12/2020
R316	Environment Agency waterways: guidance for all users	05/11/2020
R317	Statutory guidance for local authorities to speed up reallocating road space	13/11/2020
R318	Transport operators must give public health information to passengers	01/12/2020
R319	Jobs that qualify for travel exemptions	04/12/2020
R320	Driving tests: update – key workers can apply for emergency tests	02/12/2020
R321	Safer aviation guidance for operators	02/12/2020
R322	Competition and Markets Authority letter to package holiday businesses	10/07/2020
R323	UK government foreign travel advice: search by country	Website
R324	Travel corridors: updated county list	28/11/2020

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R325	Transport management toolkit for local authorities outside London	14/08/2020
R326	Self-isolating after returning to the UK: your employment rights	14/08/2020
R327	Coming to England for seasonal poultry work on farms and processing sites	17/11/2020
R328	Transport measures to protect the UK from variant strains of COVID-19	28/11/2020
R329	Guidance for drivers of taxis and private hire vehicles	02/12/2020
R330	Recommendations from the Global Travel Taskforce	24/11/2020

VACCINE DEVELOPMENT

R331	UK procurement overview of COVID-19 viral detection testing	23/10/2020
R332	New measures to support the roll-out of vaccines in the UK	18/10/2020
R333	Largest COVID-19 antibody testing programme publishes findings	27/10/2020
R334	Pfizer/BioNTech publication of efficacy data of their COVID-19 vaccine	09/11/2020
R335	UK government response to Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine	09/11/2020
R336	Janssen to begin COVID-19 vaccine trials in the UK	16/11/2020
R337	UK government response to Moderna's published vaccine efficacy results	16/11/2020
R338	Government secures 5 million doses of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine	16/11/2020
R339	Response to media coverage of Moderna vaccine procurement	17/11/2020
R340	Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine: MHRA statement	23/11/2020
R341	Government welcomes MHRA review into Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine	23/11/2020
R342	The Vaccine Taskforce: objectives and membership of the steering group	24/11/2020
R343	UK government secures additional 2 million doses of Moderna vaccine	29/11/2020

VACCINATION PROGRAMME

R344	COVID-19 vaccinator competency assessment tool	Nov 2020
R345	COVID-19 vaccination programme guidance for healthcare professionals	Dec 2020
R346	COVID-19 vaccination programme	06/12/2020
R347	COVID-19 vaccinator training programme	27/11/2020

VOLUNTEERING, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE ORGANISATIONS

R348	Reporting serious incidents to the Charity Commission	03/06/2020
R349	Enabling safe and effective volunteering during COVID-19	30/11/2020
R350	Volunteering for the National Health Service: Good Samaritan app	Website

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R351	COVID-19 Winter Plan	02/12/2020
R352	COVID-19 Winter Grant Scheme funding to support vulnerable households	27/11/2020

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R353	World Health Organisation: COVID-19 information and global statistics	Website
R354	Independent evaluation of global COVID-19 response announced by WHO	09/07/2020
R355	COVID-19 vaccines: WHO questions and answers	Website
R356	COVID-19: vaccine research and development	Website

World Health Organization: Infodemic management and risk communication

R357	Infodemic management: managing too much and inaccurate information	Website
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