



Briefing Note 136 - COVID-19 Guidance

As at 22:00 Monday 1st March 2021

Summary of UK activities: period ending Monday 1st March 21

NATIONAL LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS APPLY IN ENGLAND

Date

Monday 22nd February 2021

- 01 [Data shows Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine provides high level of protection from first dose](#)
- 02 [Changes to lockdown rules in England from 8th March 2021](#)
- 03 [Prime Minister's statement to the House of Commons on easing restrictions \[England\]](#)
- 04 [Prime Minister's statement at COVID-19 press conference \[22nd February 2021\]](#)
- 05 [Guidance to local authorities on paying grants to support businesses during lockdown](#)

Tuesday 23rd February 2021

- 01 [New measures to allow proxy voting in local elections for those self-isolating](#)

Wednesday 24th February 2021

- 01 [Making up for lost learning: education support package for children and young people](#)
- 02 [Pupils' progress in the 2020 to 2021 academic year: interim research report](#)
- 03 [JCVI advise inviting people on Learning Disability Register for vaccine](#)
- 04 [Re-opening businesses and venues: roadmap timeline](#)

Thursday 25th February 2021

- 01 [Confidence using transport during COVID-9: research and analysis](#)
- 02 [How qualifications will be awarded in 2021](#)
- 03 [New campaign encourages people to keep going and stay at home](#)
- 04 [Essential workers prioritised for COVID-19 testing](#)
- 05 [Free workplace testing for those who cannot work from home](#)
- 06 [COVID-19 alert level moves down from Level 5 to Level 4](#)



Friday 26th February 2021

- 01 [Government updates on identifying and tackling COVID-19 disparities](#)
- 02 [JCVI issues interim guidance on Phase 2 of COVID-19 vaccine programme rollout](#)
- 03 [COVID-secure election campaigning for May local elections to go ahead](#)
- 04 [Health and Social Care Secretary's statement at COVID-19 press conference](#)

Saturday 27th February 2021

- 01 [Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff](#)

Sunday 28th February 2021

- 01 [All households with children of school age to get two rapid COVID-19 tests per week](#)
- 02 [£5 billion government fund to help the High Street recover from COVID-19](#)

Monday 1st March 2021

- 01 [New data shows vaccines significantly reduce severe COVID-19 in older adults](#)

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: 122,849 \[up to 28th February\]](#)
- B2 [UK deaths with COVID-19 on the death certificate: 135,613 \[up to 5th February\]](#)
- B3 [UK people who have tested positive for COVID-19 within past 7 days: 78,308 \[-11%\]](#)
- B4 [COVID-19 patients in UK hospitals and associated data](#)
- B5 [COVID-19 dashboard: 20,089,551 people in UK vaccinated \(1st dose\) \[at 28th February\]](#)
- B6 [Briefing England: situation report week commencing 22nd February \[176 pages\]](#)
- B7 [Office for National Statistics \(ONS\): analysis of COVID-19 data](#)
- B8 [The R number and growth rate in the UK \(as at 19^h February\)](#)
- B9 [HM Treasury business loan scheme statistics](#)
- B10 [PPE delivery statistics \(England\): weekly reports](#)
- B11 [Transport use in Great Britain since March 2020: data across all modes](#)
- B12 [Grant payments made to businesses by local authority area in England](#)
- B13 [Government data on funding to support businesses and self-employed](#)
- B14 [Analysis over time, business impact of COVID-19: Waves 2 to 5, UK](#)



- B15 [COVID-19 and the impact on output in the UK economy: November 2020](#)
- B16 [Analysis of death registrations NOT associated with COVID-19](#)
- B17 [Social impacts on Great Britain: Opinions and Lifestyle Survey \[19th February 2021\]](#)
- B18 [Household spending data during COVID-19](#)
- B19 [NHS test and Trace Statistics \[England\] methodology](#)
- B20 [Infection Survey pilot: England and Wales \[19th February 2021\]](#)
- B21 [COVID-19: impact on health – reports and tools \[collection\]](#)
- B22 [COVID-19 tests in defence & positive cases in the UK Armed Forces \[18th February 2021\]](#)
- B23 [COVID-19 and the indicators for the UK economy and society \[25th February 2021\]](#)
- B24 [COVID-19 excess mortality rates in English regions](#)
- B25 [Vulnerable children and young people survey](#)
- B26 [Comparing methods used in infection survey and NHS Test and Trace](#)
- B27 [COVID-19 and the non-UK workforce characteristics](#)
- B28 [National flu and COVID-19 surveillance reports](#)
- B29 [Deaths due to COVID-19 compared with deaths from influenza and pneumonia](#)
- B30 [Survey of childcare and early years providers and COVID-19](#)
- B31 [Public attitude survey of traffic and road use during COVID-19](#)
- B32 [COVID-19 deaths of people identified as having learning disabilities](#)
- B33 [Self-Employment Income Support Scheme statistics \[up to 31st December 2020\]](#)
- B34 [UK Immigration and border statistics relating to COVID-19](#)
- B35 [COVID-19 cases by local authority area in England \[25th February 2021\]](#)
- B36 [Attendance in education and early years settings \[to 18th February 2021\]](#)
- B37 [COVID-19 and the impact on different ethnic groups in the UK](#)
- B38 [Estimates of the prevalence of long-COVID symptoms and COVID complications](#)
- B39 [COVID-19 pre-existing health conditions and ethnicity](#)
- B40 [Collection of slides, datasets and transcripts used at UK Government press conferences](#)
- B41 [Data: COVID-19 deaths by occupation in England & Wales \(09/03/20 – 28/12/20\)](#)
- B42 [Eat Out to Help Out statistics: geographic breakdown commentary](#)
- B43 [COVID-19 in charts: what we learned in January 2021 \[Next release 1st March\]](#)
- B44 [Laptops and tablets supplied to local authorities and young people \[week 7/2021\]](#)



B45 [The impact of COVID-19 on the UK travel and tourism industry](#)

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](#)

D. Commentary

England

The national lockdown continues across England and people must [stay at home](#) and only leave for specific lawful purposes.

From today, 1st March, households of, and people in a support or childcare bubble with, school pupils and staff members are able to get [twice-weekly rapid lateral flow tests](#).

Secondary school pupils and all school staff (both primary and secondary) will get tested twice a week at their school.

The 4-step [roadmap to easing restrictions](#) in England is due to begin with Step 1 on Monday 8th March 2021

- Pupils [return to face-to-face education in school and further education](#)
- After-school clubs reopen
- Outdoor recreation, such as a picnic, will be permitted. This can be one person on their own, with one other person, or with their own household or support bubble
- Regular indoor visits to care home residents will begin again for a single named visitor
- Stay at home requirement remains in place

Wales

Wales remains in a nation lockdown under its [alert level 4](#).

With effect from 1st March, approved venues may open to host weddings or civil partnerships, or alternative ceremonies such as humanist weddings.

Scotland

The [national lockdown](#) restrictions continue across Scotland (other than some islands).

Northern Ireland

[Lockdown measures](#) in Northern Ireland remain in place until 1st April 2021. They will be reviewed on 18th March 2021.



Vaccines Delivery Programme

Over [20 million people](#) across the UK had received the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by the end of Sunday 28th February 2021, in line with the [COVID-19 Vaccines Delivery Plan](#).

The R number

The [latest R number](#) range for the UK is 0.6 – 0.9 (as at 26th February 2021) and the growth rate range is between -6% to -2%, meaning that the number of new infections is estimated to be shrinking by between 2% and 6% every day.

International travel

[Travelling abroad from the UK is not allowed](#) without a legal reason for doing so. It is illegal to travel abroad for holidays and leisure purposes. Different travel rules apply in [England](#), [Scotland](#), [Wales](#) and [Northern Ireland](#). Anyone travelling to England from a country listed on the UK's [travel ban list](#) is required to [quarantine](#) in a government-approved hotel for at least 10 days. Before travelling, a person must [book and pay for their hotel room and two COVID-19 tests](#) to take during their stay. Anyone coming to England from a country not on the banned travel list will need to [self-isolate](#) at home for 10 days and book two COVID-19 tests.

Dates of interest

3rd March 2021: The Budget – further information about COVID-19 support measures.

3rd March 2021: Details of the fourth [Self-Employment Income Support scheme grant](#) to be announced.

8th March 2021: Roadmap Step 1 (part A): [What you can do](#)

29th March 2021: Roadmap Step 1 (part B)

31st March 2021: Closing date for applications for the [Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme](#), the [Bounce Back Loan Scheme](#) and the [Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme](#).

31st March 2021: [Domestic renters eviction ban](#) and [business eviction ban](#) ends.

12th April 2021: Roadmap Step 2







30th April 2021: [Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme](#) ends.

17th May 2021: Roadmap Step 3

21st June 2021: Roadmap Step 4



COVID -19 UK Alert Levels

Level	Description
 5	As level 4 and there is a material risk of healthcare services being overwhelmed
  4	A COVID-19 epidemic is in general circulation; transmission is high or rising exponentially
 3	A COVID-19 epidemic is in general circulation
 2	COVID-19 is present in the UK, but the number of cases and transmission is low
 1	COVID-19 is not known to be present in the UK

COVID-19 Alert Level Methodology is [HERE](#)

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Annex A

RESOURCES: UK government guidance and related advice

Information updated at 22:00 Monday 1st March 2021

REF	DOCUMENTS and OTHER SOURCES OF GUIDANCE	DATE
RECOVERY PLANNING		
R1	Roadmap out of the current COVID-19 lockdown in England	22/02/2021
R2	COVID-19 CONTAIN national framework: a guide for local decision-makers	29/12/2020
R3	Working safely during coronavirus [searchable online manual – 14 guides]	10/02/2021
R4	Safer public places – urban centres and green spaces [Version 5.11]	21/01/2021
R5	Guidance for moving home safely in England	07/01/2021
R6	Guidance on accessing green spaces safely	13/01/2020
R7	Reopening High Streets Safely Fund guidance	01/03/2021
R8	Actions for schools in England during the pandemic	22/02/2021
R9	Guidance on the phased return of elite sport	22/02/2021
R10	National Framework for Prison Regimes and Services	02/06/2020
R11	Probation Service Roadmap to Recovery	02/06/2020
R12	Safer aviation guidance for operators and passengers	11/02/2021
R13	Guidance for the safe use of places of worship	19/01/2021
R14	Collection of guidance for culture, media and sport sectors	22/02/2021
R15	Guidance for managing playgrounds and outdoor gyms	28/01/2021
R16	Guidance for food businesses	06/01/2021
R17	Safer travel advice for public transport passengers	11/02/2021
R18	Guidance for the safe use of multi-purpose community facilities	05/01/2021
R19	Temporary VAT changes for hospitality and holiday accommodation	03/12/2020
R20	Working safely: providers of grassroots sports and gym/leisure facilities	10/02/2021
R21	Driver and rider training and tests [England, Scotland & Wales]	17/02/2021
R22	Staying COVID-19 Secure in 2021	17/01/2021
R23	Courts and tribunals recovery planning update	15/01/2021



ADULT SOCIAL CARE		
R24	Admission and care of residents in care homes [England]	29/01/2021
R25	How to work safely in care homes	02/11/2020
R26	Health and wellbeing of the adult social care workforce	14/01/2021
R27	Care homes support package	22/01/2021
R28	Providing personal home care [Frequently Asked Questions]	02/02/2021
R29	Adult Social Care Infection Control Fund: round 2	19/02/2021
R30	Action to take following the death of a person working in adult social care	07/07/2020
R31	Adult social care risk reduction framework [England]	Nov 2020
R32	Visiting care homes during COVID-19: revised guidance	12/01/2021
R33	Supported living services during COVID-19 [England]	22/01/2021
R34	Overview of social care guidance on COVID-19	22/01/2021
R35	Discharge of people with a positive test from hospital to a care home	13/11/2020
R36	Person protective equipment (PPE): local contacts for care providers	01/03/2021
R37	Arrangements for outside visits by care home residents of working age	12/01/2021
R38	Guidance for COVID-19 retesting for care and supported living settings	25/02/2020
R39	COVID-19 lateral flow testing of visitors to care homes explained	22/02/2020
R40	COVID-19 testing for personal assistants in adult social care [England]	16/02/2021
R41	Care home residents allowed one regular indoor visitor from 8th March	20/02/2021
ANIMALS and PETS		
R42	Advice for people in England with animals [pets and livestock]	19/02/2021
BUSINESS SUPPORT AND EMPLOYMENT		
Business support: Bounce Back Loan		
R43	How to apply for a Bounce Back Loan [valid until 31st March 2021]	Website
R44	Bounce Back Loan borrowers can delay repayment start by extra 6 months	08/02/2021
Business support: Closed Business Support Payment		
R45	COVID-19 Closed Business Lockdown Payment: eligibility and how to claim	21/01/2021
Business support: Coronavirus Additional Restrictions Grant		
R46	Check if your business is eligible for the Additional Restrictions Grant	21/01/2021



Business Support: Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme [Furlough]		
R47	Check if your employer can use the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	25/02/2021
R48	Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme: awareness and understanding	22/10/2020
R49	Steps for employers to take when calculating furlough scheme claims	25/02/2021
R50	Updated guidance for employers to check on furloughing arrangements	25/02/2021
R51	Extension of Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme to April 2021: guidance	25/02/2021
Business Support: Companies House		
R52	Guidance for Companies House customers, employees, and suppliers	26/02/2021
Business support: HMRC		
R53	Genuine HMRC contact and recognising phishing emails and texts	16/02/2021
R54	Penalties for not telling HMRC about COVID-19 furlough overpayments	28/07/2020
R55	How employers can ask HMRC not to publish Job Retention Scheme claims	16/02/2021
Business support: Kickstart Scheme		
R56	Employers can apply for a grant through the Kickstart Scheme	03/02/2021
R57	Kickstart Scheme terms and conditions	22/12/2020
R58	Kickstart Scheme: promotional materials	03/02/2021
R59	Kickstart Scheme: employer resources	23/02/2021
R60	Kickstart Scheme employer contacts	03/02/2021
Business support: Local Restrictions Support grant		
R61	Check if your business is eligible for the Additional Restrictions Grant	21/01/2021
Business support: Self-Employment Income Support Scheme		
R62	Self-Employment Income Support Scheme: how to make a claim	29/01/2021
R63	Eligibility for the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme	29/01/2021
Business support: general information		
R64	Find financial support for your business: online support tool	Website
R65	How employers can claim back Statutory Sick Pay paid due to COVID-19	29/05/2020
R66	Support if your business is affected by COVID-1 [videos and webinars]	22/01/2021
R67	Information for farmers, landowners, and rural businesses	13/01/2021
R68	Support from Business Representative Organisations and trade bodies	02/02/2021
R69	Contract cancellations and refunds due to COVID-19: updated advice	28/08/2020



R70	Code of practice for the commercial property sector during COVID-19	June 2020
R71	Access to work: factsheet for customers	17/08/2020
R72	Reporting outbreaks of COVID-19: early outbreak management	14/01/2021
R73	Financial support for zoos and aquariums	03/08/2020
R74	Business support resources during COVID-19	18/12/2020
R75	Income tax & national insurance contribution exemption for antigen tests	15/12/2020
R76	Guidance for employers and workers on COVID-19 work absences	31/12/2020
R77	Employment & support programmes for jobseekers [collection]	26/01/2021
R78	Applying for COVID-19 airport and ground operations funding	29/01/2021
R79	Apprenticeships during COVID-19 in England [updated guidance]	Feb 2021
R80	Business rates review update: report to be published in Autumn 2021	19/02/2021
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE		
R81	Guidance for parents & carers on looking after mental health of children	18/02/2020
R82	Guidance for children’s social care services	02/02/2021
R83	Making a childcare bubble with another household	15/01/2021
R84	Education and childcare support: collection of guidance	Website
R85	COVID-19 test kits for children’s homes: guidance	14/12/2020
CONSTRUCTION SITES		
R86	Construction Industry Roadmap to Recovery	01/06/2020
R87	Construction Leadership Council	Website
R88	Construction site operating procedures: version 7	07/01/2021
R89	Charter for Safe Working Practice	13/05/2020
R90	Working safely in construction - video	13/05/2020
R91	The use of face coverings in construction – industry guidance version 2	02/11/2020
COVID ALERT LEVELS		
R92	UK COVID Alert Levels methodology: an overview of how it works	05/01/2021
DEATHS AND BEREAVEMENT		
R93	Support for the bereaved [collection of guidance in multiple languages]	15/06/2020
R94	Guidance for local authorities in England on local death management	April 2020
R95	Guidance for managing a funeral during the pandemic	22/01/2021



R96	Collection of guidance for those involved in managing deaths	21/04/2020
R97	Information leaflet for the bereaved	28/05/2020
R98	Verification of deaths in England in times of emergency	05/05/2020
R99	Local death management: templates for use by local authorities in England	14/05/2020
R100	Process for informing government of the death of a worker in social care	07/07/2020
R101	Public health funerals: non-statutory guidance [England and Wales]	16/09/2020
R102	Quality of death registration data during COVID-19 [England and Wales]	03/12/2020
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		
Remote education and 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	Collection of online resources for home learning	03/12/2020
R110	Remote education good practice	27/10/2020
R111	Example lessons for remote teaching	26/10/2020
R112	School-led webinars on remote education	18/12/2020
R113	Help with accessing and buying resources for remote education	23/11/2020
R114	What’s working well in remote education	11/01/2021
R115	Review remote education [guidance for schools & further education]	12/01/2021
R116	Remote education: pupil motivation identified as a concern	18/02/2021
Education – education settings and vocational training		
R117	Collection of guidance for schools and other educational settings	22/02/2021
R118	Information for parents & carers about schools & other settings	24/02/2021
R119	Actions for schools in England during the COVID-19 pandemic	22/02/2021
R120	Collection of guidance for early years and childcare [England]	22/02/2021
R121	Providing apprenticeships during COVID-19	25/02/2021



R122	Planning guide for primary schools in England	22/02/2021
R123	Tier 4 sponsors, migrants & short-term students on temporary concessions	24/12/2020
R124	Actions for early years and childcare providers [England]	22/02/2021
R125	School governance update	01/03/2020
R126	Higher education restructuring scheme to help universities in England	30/10/2020
R127	10 top tips for parents to support children to read	16/07/2020
R128	Protective measures for after-school clubs and other out-of-school settings	23/02/2021
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	How additional funding can help pupils catch up on missed education	24/02/2021
R132	Help with remote education: guidance and support for teachers & schools	03/12/2020
R133	Information on return of students and NHS Test & Trace from January 2021	24/02/2021
R134	Asymptomatic COVID-19 testing in schools and colleges from January 2021	02/02/2021
R135	Schools & childcare settings [England]: guidance for returning	22/02/2021
R136	GCSE subject-level conditions for 2021 [education regulation]	06/01/2021
R137	Vocational, technical and other general qualifications in 2021	25/02/2021
R138	National free school meals voucher scheme opens for orders	18/01/2021
R139	Laptops and tablets supply: progress data as of 9th February 2021	17/02/2021

FACE COVERINGS

R140	Face coverings: when to wear one and how to make your own	04/12/2020
R141	How to make and wear a simple cloth face covering	15/07/2020
R142	Face coverings in education [England]	01/03/2021

FOOD HYGIENE

R143	Guidance for consumers on how to maintain food hygiene	25/04/2020
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GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN UK GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

R144	Glossary	21/01/2021
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GOVERNMENT PLANNING AND CO-ORDINATION OF COVID-19 RESPONSE

R145	Parliamentary scrutiny of the government's handling of COVID-19	10/09/2020
R146	Public Inquiry into government's handling of COVID-19 response	10/09/2020

STAY HOME ► **PROTECT THE NHS** ► **SAVE LIVES**

HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND HOSPITAL SETTINGS

R147	Background information (epidemiology, virology, and clinical features)	18/02/2021
R148	Collection of guidance for healthcare professionals and others	18/02/2021
R149	Management of exposed healthcare workers, patients, and care residents	28/01/2021
R150	Guidance for ambulance services	29/01/2021
R151	Guidance for first responders	22/09/2020
R152	Guidance for taking swab samples	02/07/2020
R153	Infection prevention and control	21/01/2021
R154	Infection control precautions when discharging from hospital to home	18/12/2020
R155	Health and care settings: infection prevention and control version 1.0	20/08/2020
R156	Hospital discharge arrangements: collection of guidance	19/02/2021
R157	COVID-19 migrant health guide for healthcare practitioners	23/02/2021
R158	UK research to understand and treat effects of long COVID	18/02/2021

HEMOCARE [DOMICILIARY CARE]

R159	PPE for care workers delivering home care in England	02/11/2020
R160	Putting on PPE for home carers	30/04/2020
R161	Taking off PPE for home carers	30/04/2020
R162	Using direct payments for health budgets and social care	18/11/2020
R163	Weekly testing for all homecare workers in registered organisations	06/01/2021

IMMIGRATION AND BORDERS

R164	Guidance for those affected by changes to UK immigration & borders	01/03/2021
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INTERNATIONAL

R165	Guidance for UK businesses trading internationally	26/06/2020
R166	Essential international travel advice	15/02/2021
R167	Advice for UK visa applicants and temporary UK residents	01/03/2021
R168	COVID-19 risk assessment methodology for inbound international travel	24/11/2020
R169	COVID-19 'Test to Release' for international travel	11/02/2021
R170	COVID-19: cruise ship holiday guidance	16/01/2021
R171	Guidance for HGV operators & drivers to cross international borders safely	24/12/2020
R172	Foreign travel insurance	13/02/2021



R173	People must have proof of a negative COVID-19 test to travel to England	19/02/2021
R174	Coming to the UK for seasonal agricultural work on English farms	10/02/2021
R175	Mandatory guidance on how to quarantine when you arrive in England	15/02/2021
R176	Managed quarantine: what to expect	14/02/2021
INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE HANDLING OF THE PANDEMIC PREPARATION AND RESPONSE		
R177	Readying the NHS and adult social care in England for COVID-19 [NAO]	12/06/2020
R178	Investigation into UK government procurement during COVID-19 [NAO]	18/11/2020
LABORATORIES		
R179	Guidance for sampling and for diagnostic laboratories	16/07/2020
LAWS AND REGULATIONS [for access to all UK COVID-19 legislation click HERE]		
R180	Coronavirus Act 2020	25/03/2020
R181	Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984	26/06/1984
There are six regulations that apply to everyone in ENGLAND		
R182	International travel regulations	08/06/2020
R183	Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No 3) Regs 2020	18/07/2020
R184	Wearing of face coverings in a relevant place	24/07/2020
R185	Collection of contact details	17/09/2020
R186	Self-isolation	28/09/2020
R187	Local authority enforcement powers	02/12/2020
These are the current regulations that set out the restrictions in WALES		
R188	Local restrictions in Wales	18/12/2020
These are the current regulations that set out the restrictions in SCOTLAND		
R189	Local restrictions in Scotland	02/11/2020
These are the current regulations that set out the restrictions in NORTHERN IRELAND		
R190	Local restrictions in Northern Ireland	23/07/2020
Reports and guidance		
R191	Coronavirus Act 2020 report: January 2021 [two-monthly corporate report]	28/01/2021
R192	Coronavirus Act 2020 analysis: how the Act has been applied [CP 295]	23/09/2020
R193	HSE guidance on RIDDOR reporting of COVID-19	Website



Treasury Directions		
R194	Job Retention Scheme & Job Retention Bonus Treasury Direction	26/01/2021
LIFE ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR NHS AND SOCIAL CARE WORKERS [England]		
R195	NHS & Social Care Coronavirus Life Assurance Scheme	Website
LOCAL AUTHORITIES		
R196	Guidance to local authorities for controlling fraud	March 2020
R197	Guidance to local authorities in England on prioritising waste collections	14/12/2020
R198	Collection of guidance for local authorities' children's services	22/02/2021
R199	Guidance for local government	25/02/2021
R200	Guidance for public health officers: potentially infectious persons	July 2020
R201	Local government income compensation scheme for lost sales, fees, etc.	24/08/2020
R202	COVID-19 local authority compliance and enforcement grant allocations	08/10/2020
R203	Allocation of additional emergency funding for local authorities in England	10/02/2021
R204	COVID Winter Grant Scheme for vulnerable households and families	30/12/2020
R205	Contain Outbreak Management Fund [payments to local authorities]	10/12/2020
R206	Additional COVID-19 enforcement powers for local authorities in England	04/12/2020
R207	Road space reallocation: statutory guidance for local authorities	25/02/2021
R208	Making traffic regulation orders in England during COVID-19 [guidance]	29/06/2020
R209	COVID-19 and worklessness: support for London local authorities [report]	Feb 2021
MEDICINES AND HEALTHCARE REGULATORY AUTHORITY (MHRA)		
R210	Medicines & Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA): collection	25/02/2021
MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUPPORT		
Mental health and wellbeing: online support		
R211	Mental health helplines	Website
R212	Samaritans	Website
R213	Young Minds	Website
R214	Mental Health UK	Website
R215	Every Mind Matters	Website
R216	FRONTLINE: support for health, care, emergency, education & key workers	Website
R217	Aye Feel [mental health support for young people in Scotland]	Website



R218	Lifelines Scotland: support for emergency responders in Scotland	Website
R219	Get fit with Flex and Strength [NHS exercise plan]	Website
Mental health and wellbeing: advice and guidance		
R220	Support and guidance for those suffering with mental health issues	04/02/2021
R221	Easy-read guide: looking after your feelings and body	March 2020
R222	Health and social care staff who care for people lacking mental capacity	12/01/2021
R223	Teaching mental wellbeing: practical materials for training staff in schools	08/06/2020
R224	Mental health and wellbeing if you are abroad during the pandemic	18/06/2020
R225	COVID-19: mental health and wellbeing surveillance report	25/02/2021
R226	Staying mentally well: Winter Plan 2020-21	23/11/2020
R227	Psychological first aid training to support children and young people	25/02/2021
MILITARY AID TO THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES (MACA)/ARMED FORCES		
R228	COVID-19 update on changes to Veterans UK Services	15/10/2020
R229	COVID Support Force: military support to UK public services	26/02/2021
R230	Armed Forces support for UK activities [a collection of sources]	26/02/2021
R231	Defence Secretary's statement to Parliament on the Defence role	12/01/2021
R232	Armed Forces working in UK hospitals, vaccination & testing centres	22/01/2021
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R233	Stay at home: what you can and cannot do	22/02/2021
R234	England lockdown posters: promotional material	05/01/2021
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R235	Coronavirus analysis and implications for the UK economy [OBR]	Website
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R236	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Strategy [September 2020]	28/09/2020
R237	PPE use for aerosol generating procedures	21/08/2020
R238	PPE use for non-aerosol generating procedures	21/08/2020
R239	Management of exposed healthcare workers and patients in hospitals	28/01/2021
R240	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Hub	04/02/2021
R241	Cleansing and PPE waste at a healthcare management facility: RPS C1	24/09/2020
R242	Personal Protective Equipment Portal – how to order emergency supplies	09/02/2021



R243	PPE guide for community and social care settings	31/07/2020
R244	#WearAMaskChallenge [World Health Organisation]	06/08/2020
R245	Free personal protective equipment (PPE) for unpaid carers	09/02/2021

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R246	Payment to suppliers of public bodies	12/01/2021
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R247	Coronavirus: action plan – A guide to what you can expect across the UK	03/03/2020
R248	Guidance for everyone	03/02/2021
R249	Easy read guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection	15/02/2021
R250	Video explanation about the rate of infection value known as ‘R’	30/04/2020
R251	British Sign Language COVID-19 information accessible via SIGNHEALTH	Website
R252	COVID-19 vaccination: British Sign Language resources	09/02/2021
R253	Searching for archaeological finds in England during COVID-19	02/02/2021
R254	Keeping court and tribunal buildings safe, secure, and clean	22/02/2021
R255	Advice for smokers and vapers	29/05/2020
R256	Review of disparities in risks and outcomes of COVID-19 [PHE Review]	August 2020
R257	Understanding the impact of COVID-19 on BAME groups: recommendations	16/06/2020
R258	COVID-19 and prisons	05/01/2021
R259	Disposing of your personal or business waste in England	13/07/2020
R260	Excess weight and COVID-19: insights from new evidence	24/07/2020
R261	The impact of COVID-19 on people living with obesity	07/09/2020
R262	Wedding services: cancellations and refunds due to COVID-19	07/09/2020
R263	Ask the government a COVID-19 question: register your question online	11/01/2021
R264	Self-isolation period across the UK reduced to 10 days	11/12/2020
R265	Information on the new variant of COVID-19	24/02/2021
R266	COVID-19 advice for pregnant employees	26/02/2021
R267	COVID-19 guidance for those living a nomadic way of life	06/01/2021
R268	How to stop the spread of COVID-19 [guidance]	01/03/2021
R269	Social Mobility Commission’s Annual Review 2020 and COVID-19 impact	Jan 2021



R270	May 2021 polls delivery plan	05/02/2021
R271	World's first COVID-19 Human Challenge study receives ethics approval	17/02/2021
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R272	Non-statutory guidance for landlords, tenants and local authorities	26/02/2021
R273	Understanding the possession action process in England and Wales	19/02/2021
R274	Government extends renter support and extends ban on bailiff evictions	14/02/2021
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R275	Provision of night shelters: COVID-19 operating principles	11/01/2021
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R276	Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE) membership	22/02/2021
R277	Collection of scientific evidence supporting the UK government response	26/02/2021
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R278	Guidance on cyber security and home working	Website
R279	'Silent Solution' – how to call the police by mobile if you cannot speak	07/04/2019
R280	Thinkuknow programme to protect children when using devices online	Website
R281	Online blackmail education resource for 15 to 18-year-olds	Website
R282	Guidance for keeping children safe online	22/02/2020
R283	Voluntary Principles to counter online child sexual exploitation and abuse	08/05/2020
R284	Security considerations in an economically challenging time [CPNI]	10/06/2020
R285	Domestic abuse: how to get help during COVID-19	12/02/2021
R286	Hotline for reporting COVID fraudsters [0800 587 5030]	13/10/2020
R287	Letter to Commissioners for Domestic Abuse & Victims about COVID-19	07/01/2021
R288	COVID-19 'critical worker' status clarification for security operatives	07/01/2021
R289	Resources for raising awareness about vaccine fraud [posters for printing]	27/01/2021
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R290	Shielding and protecting people defined as clinically extremely vulnerable	25/02/2021
R291	How to help safely [guidance for volunteers in England]	18/01/2021
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R292	Making a support bubble with another household	15/01/2021
R293	The Distance Aware Initiative: 'Please give me space'	07/08/2020



R294 [Stay at Home \[updated guidance related to the lockdown law\]](#) 22/02/2021

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R295	UK Government Testing Strategy: Scaling up our testing programmes	04/04/2020
R296	Getting tested: guidance for who can be tested and how to get tested	27/02/2021
R297	NHS Test and Trace: workplace guidance	02/02/2021
R298	NHS Test and Trace: how it works	11/01/2021
R299	NHS Test and Trace Service in England: video explaining how it works	28/05/2020
R300	Contacts of people with COVID-19 who do not live with the person	12/02/2021
R301	Testing: guidance for employers and third-party healthcare providers	26/02/2021
R302	Allocation of COVID-19 swab tests in England [policy paper]	21/09/2020
R303	Use of the NHS COVID-19 app in education and childcare settings	06/11/2020
R304	NHS COVID-19 app for England and Wales – download here	Website
R305	Guidance on when to book a COVID-19 test for a child [correspondence]	25/09/2020
R306	NHS Test and Trace: how samples are tested	26/02/2021
R307	Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme: claiming financial support	25/01/2021
R308	Booking tests: self-referral portal user guide for essential workers	30/04/2020
R309	Online portal for care home managers to arrange tests for staff & residents	Website
R310	How to use your COVID-19 home test kit	24/02/2021
R311	COVID-19 self-test help [in English and 11 other languages]	29/01/2021
R312	How tests and testing kits for COVID-19 work	24/02/2021
R313	How to self-declare as a private sector COVID-19 testing provider	25/11/2020
R314	Information for general medical practices on providing COVID-19 testing	04/11/2020
R315	List of local authorities in England issued with lateral flow tests	18/12/2020
R316	Guidance for pooled COVID-19 testing pilot for universities	24/11/2020
R317	Community testing: explainer	24/02/2021
R318	NHS Test and Trace Business Plan	10/12/2020
R319	List of private providers of COVID-19 testing	26/02/2021
R320	How and when to get tested for COVID-19 before a hospital procedure	26/02/2021
R321	Adult Social Rapid Testing Fund	15/01/2021
R322	How to get a COVID-19 test if you do not have symptoms	27/02/2021



R323	Understanding Lateral Flow antigen testing for people without symptoms	11/02/2021
R324	COVID-19 point of care testing for service providers [guidance]	01/02/2021
R325	COVID-19 national testing programme in education: grant funding	02/02/2021
R326	UK Biobank COVID-19 Antibody Study: final results	03/02/2021
R327	Surge testing for new COVID-19 variants: guidance	26/02/2021
R328	Nearest COVID-19 testing site in England on average under two miles away	18/02/2021
R329	COVID-19 home testing kits now easier to order	18/02/2021
R330	COVID-19 testing for adult day care centre workers	18/02/2021

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R331	Safety guidance for towpaths and waterways	24/02/2021
R332	Statutory guidance for local authorities on managing their road networks	25/02/2021
R333	Transport and travel advice for passengers and those working in transport	22/02/2021
R334	Safer transport guidance for operators	18/01/2021
R335	Environment Agency waterways: guidance for all users	06/01/2021
R336	Transport operators must give public health information to passengers	12/02/2021
R337	Jobs that qualify for travel exemptions	21/02/2021
R338	Driving tests [applies to England, Wales and Scotland]	05/01/2021
R339	Safer aviation guidance for operators	18/01/2021
R340	UK government foreign travel advice: search by country	Website
R341	Travel corridors [all travel corridors suspended on 18th January]	11/02/2021
R342	Self-isolating after returning to the UK: your employment rights	14/08/2020
R343	Guidance for drivers of taxis and private hire vehicles	12/01/2021
R344	Haulier advice site locations: COVID-19 tests and border readiness checks	21/02/2021

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R345	Prime Minister's statement at COVID-19 press conference [15th February]	15/02/2021
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R346	UK procurement overview of COVID-19 viral detection testing	03/02/2021
R347	The Vaccine Taskforce: objectives and membership of the steering group	24/11/2020



R348	Slides used to explain vaccine development timeline	02/12/2020
R349	UK Vaccines Taskforce 2020: end of year report & future strategy	Dec 2020
R350	Regulatory approval for UK use of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine	28/01/2021
R351	Regulatory approval for UK use of Oxford University/AstraZeneca vaccine	23/02/2021
R352	Regulatory approval given for Moderna COVID-19 vaccine	19/02/2021

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R353	COVID-19 vaccinator competency assessment tool	06/12/2020
R354	COVID-19 vaccination guidance for healthcare professional Version 3.4	26/02/2021
R355	COVID-19 vaccination programme: collection of guidance	26/02/2021
R356	COVID-19 vaccinator training programme	08/12/2020
R357	COVID-19 vaccine priority groups: advice issued by UK JCVI	06/01/2021
R358	COVID-19 vaccination: guide for older adults	01/03/2021
R359	COVID-19 vaccination: guide for healthcare workers	01/03/2021
R360	COVID-19 vaccination: guide for social care staff	01/03/2021
R361	COVID-19 vaccination: what to expect after your COVID-19 vaccination	01/03/2021
R362	COVID-19 vaccination: why are you being asked to wait	01/03/2021
R363	COVID-19 vaccination: Care homes and healthcare settings posters	23/02/2021
R364	COVID-19 vaccination: consent form and letter for adults	21/01/2021
R365	Optimising the vaccination programme for maximum short-term impact	26/01/2021
R366	UK COVID-19 vaccines delivery plan [policy paper]	13/01/2021
R367	UK COVID-19 surveillance strategy V.1 [post-delivery vaccine monitoring]	Jan 2021
R368	COVID-19 vaccinations for community-based social care workers	20/01/2021
R369	Prioritising the first COVID-19 vaccine dose: JCVI statement	26/01/2021
R370	World-first COVID-19 alternating dose vaccine study launches in the UK	04/02/2021
R371	COVID-19 vaccines adverse reactions report	25/02/2021
R372	New vaccinations partnership to rapidly respond to new virus variants	05/02/2021
R373	Vaccine rollout and variant mitigation	08/02/2021
R374	New vaccine uptake plan published	13/02/2021
R375	Nationwide drive to urge vaccine take-up in priority groups	12/02/2021
R376	New campaign to support vaccine rollout launched: new graphics available	19/02/2021



R377	COVID-19 vaccination statistics, plans and documentation [collection]	19/02/2021
R378	COVID-19 vaccine products information poster	20/02/2021
R379	COVID-19 vaccination: easy read leaflets	20/02/2021
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R381	Janssen publishes positive safety and efficacy data for single-dose vaccine	29/01/2021
R382	UK government secures additional 40 million doses of Valneva vaccine	01/02/2021
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R384	Enabling safe and effective volunteering during COVID-19	04/02/2021
R385	Volunteering for the National Health Service: Good Samaritan app	Website
R386	A look at volunteering during the response to COVID-19	11/01/2021
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R388	COVID-19 Winter Grant Scheme funding to support vulnerable households	30/12/2020
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R390	COVID-19 vaccines: WHO questions and answers	Website
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