

**PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: APPROVAL OF SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS**

**MADE AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUMENTS**

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No.13) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/237)**

1. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No.13) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/237) be approved.

*Purpose*

2. To allow international sportspeople and ancillary staff coming to Scotland to compete in certain sports events, or returning to Scotland after participating in or training for one of these events, to be eligible for an elite sportsperson exemption in respect of certain travel requirements relating to the spread of COVID-19.

*Consideration by committee*

3. Bureau members should note that the deadline for approving these regulations is Friday 10 September 2021. The COVID-19 Recovery Committee will consider the regulations at its meeting on Thursday 9 September and report straight after, in order for Parliament to consider the motion to approve the instrument later that afternoon. Whilst this a very tight turnaround for Parliamentary scrutiny, it was largely unavoidable due to a large number of COVID-19 related public health and travel SSIs being laid during the Summer Recess, the requirement for the lead Committee to split its consideration of the instruments into its first two meetings and Ministerial availability. The report will be made available to Members as soon as it is published and any issues raised flagged to Business Managers.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 27) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/238)**

4. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 27) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/238) be approved.

*Purpose*

5. To provide a person designated by a Local Authority with a power of entry to enforce restrictions relating to stadia and events. The Regulations also reduce the required distances to be maintained between persons in Hampden Park, Glasgow and the Glasgow Green Event Zone during the UEFA EURO 2020 Championship period.

*Consideration by committee*

6. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 28) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/242)**

7. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 28) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/242) be approved.

*Purpose*

8. To remove the Republic of Ireland and the area of Bedford Borough Council from the list of areas to which the common travel area restrictions apply. These regulations also add Manchester and Salford to the list of areas to which common travel area restrictions apply.

*Consideration by committee*

9. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 29) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/252)**

10. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 29) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/252) be approved.

*Purpose*

11. To adjust the physical distancing requirements so that family members may be involved in funerals by carrying of the coffin or lowering the coffin into a lair. The regulations also provide extended opening hours for hospitality in the event that a match during the knockout stages of the UEFA EURO 2020 Championship which is being shown in hospitality premises runs over the currently permitted opening hours. The Regulations also adjust the physical distancing rules for the purpose of the 1888 Cup rugby event at Murrayfield Stadium, Edinburgh on 26 June 2021. The regulations also adjust the rules on face coverings at weddings and civil partnerships..

*Consideration by committee*

12. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 30) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/255)**

13. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 30) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/255) be approved.

*Purpose*

14. To remove the areas of Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council, Manchester City Council and Salford City Council from the list of areas to which the common travel area restrictions apply.

*Consideration by committee*

15. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 31) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/262)**

16. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 31) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/262) be approved.

*Purpose*

17. To reduce the required physical distances to be maintained between persons within the premises of the Renaissance Club, North Berwick for the period of the abrdn Scottish Open, which is scheduled to start on 8 July and end 11 July 2021 (or 12 July in the event play cannot be completed on the 11 July). These regulations also make a minor amendment to provisions relating to stadia and live events: a local authority will only be required to notify the Scottish Ministers of an application for an exemption on capacity in Levels 0, 1 or 2 when directed to do so by the Scottish Ministers. These regulations also remove the area of Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council in England from the list of areas to which the common travel area restrictions apply.

*Consideration by committee*

18. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 32) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/263)**

19. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 32) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/263) be approved.

*Purpose*

20. To provide that physical distancing is reduced to 1 metre indoors and outdoors and to remove the requirement for physical distancing requirements between people within a social group outdoors. These regulations also provide that children under the age of 12 years do not count for the purpose of calculating the number of households permitted for gatherings indoors. The regulations also restrict hospitality trading times to between 04:00 and 00:00.

*Consideration by committee*

21. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/277)**

22. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/277) be approved.

*Purpose*

23. To provide that relevant hospitality and entertainment premises are required to obtain and record visitor information for the purpose of preventing the spread of coronavirus or monitoring the spread of infection and the incidence of coronavirus disease. The regulations also require persons responsible for places of worship, carrying on a business or providing a service to have regard to relevant guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about measures to minimise risk of exposure to coronavirus. The regulations provide that persons in specified indoor places must wear a face covering unless a specific exemption applies. The regulations require persons who use a passenger transport service or passenger transport service premises to wear a face covering unless a specific exemption applies. The regulations cap

numbers at live events at 5000 people for events held outdoors and at 2000 people for events held indoors subject to local authority approval of higher attendance limits in accordance with the process set out in the regulations. Enforcement powers are provided for. The regulations require Scottish Ministers to review the requirements at least once every 21 days and the regulations require Scottish Ministers to revoke any requirement as soon as it is no longer necessary.

*Consideration by committee*

24. At its meeting on 2 September 2021, the COVID-19 Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 2 September 2021.

**Decision**

25. **Business Managers are invited note that the above motions will be lodged.**

26. **Business Managers should reserve their position if their party intends to speak against or oppose the motions.**

**Parliamentary Business Team  
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