
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020, with savings. They require the closure of certain businesses, services and premises listed in the Schedule, to protect against the risks to public health arising from coronavirus, except for limited permitted uses. They impose restrictions on gatherings, both indoor and outdoor, of more than 30 people, unless for certain purposes and the organiser or operator of the gathering undertakes a risk assessment and complies with relevant guidance. They also impose restrictions on gatherings in private dwellings, of more than 30 people outdoor or 10 people indoor, subject to exceptions.

The need for the restrictions must be reviewed by the Department of Health every 28 days, with the first review taking place by 21 August 2020.

No impact assessment has been prepared for these Regulations.