

POLICY NOTE

The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 27) Regulations 2021

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The above instrument was made in exercise of the power conferred by paragraph 1(1) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020. The instrument is subject to made affirmative procedure by virtue of paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Act.

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 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.

Legislative background

1. The UK Coronavirus Act 2020 received Royal Assent on 25 March 2020. Under that Act, the Scottish Government made regulations (in force from 26 March 2020) to implement physical distancing and impose restrictions on gatherings, events and operation of business activity. From 14 September 2020 they were replaced by the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2020. From 9 October 2020 those Regulations were suspended and replaced by the Health Protection (Coronavirus) Restrictions and Requirements) (Additional Temporary Measures) (Scotland) Regulations 2020. A new levels-based approach was introduced on 2 November 2020, when the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (“the principal regulations”) came into force and revoked the previous regulations.

Policy Objectives

Powers of Entry

2. These Regulations provide a person designated by a Local Authority with a power of entry to enforce restrictions relating to stadia and events in Part 4 of the principal regulations.

Physical distancing at the Hampden Park stadium and Euros fanzone

3. These Regulations amend schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the principal regulations to adjust the distances required to be maintained between persons in Hampden Park, Glasgow and the Glasgow Green Event Zone during the period of the UEFA EURO 2020 Championship.

4. These regulations adjust physical distancing requirements within Hampden Park Stadium to 1.2 metres and the Glasgow Green Event Zone to 1.5 metres during the period of the UEFA EURO 2020 Championship.

Consultation

5. There has been no public consultation in relation to this instrument.

Impact Assessments

6. No impact assessments are required. The provisions are also subject to strict obligations on the Scottish Government to review their necessity.

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