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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

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

Regulations 3(a), 4(a) and 5(a) make amendments to Part 2 of schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the principal Regulations (other restrictions on business) to reduce physical distancing requirements at the premises known as the Renaissance Club, North Berwick during the abrdn Scottish Open golf event starting on 8 July 2021 and ending on 11 July 2021 (or 12 July 2021 in the event play cannot be completed on 11 July 2021). During that event, the required distance to be maintained between persons on those premises is reduced to at least 1 metre, except within the two grandstands positioned separately at the seventeenth and eighteenth holes, where the distance to be maintained between persons is reduced to at least 1.5 metres.

Regulations 3(b), 4(b) and 5(b) make minor amendments to Part 4 of schedules 1, 2 and 3 of the principal Regulations (restrictions on stadia and live events). The effect of those amendments is that from the coming into force of these Regulations, local authorities will only be required to notify the Scottish Ministers of an application (made to the local authority in question) for an exemption on capacity in Levels 0, 1 or 2 when directed to do so by the Scottish Ministers.

Regulation 6 amends schedule 7A of the principal Regulations (which sets out certain restrictions on entering Scotland from, or leaving Scotland to go to, the Common Travel Area) with the effect that, from the beginning of 8 July 2021, those restrictions no longer apply in relation to the area of Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council in England.