

SCHEDULE 3

Tier 3 restrictions

PART 1

Restrictions on gatherings

Qualifying groups

7.—(1) A person participates in a gathering as a member of a qualifying group only if the person is a part of a qualifying group and, whilst participating in the gathering, the person does not—

- (a) become a member of any other group of people participating in the gathering (whether or not that group is a qualifying group), or
- (b) otherwise mingle with any person who is participating in the gathering but is not a member of the same qualifying group as them.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) “qualifying group”, in relation to a gathering, means—

- (a) in the application of this paragraph for the purposes of indoor gatherings or outdoor gatherings in a place which does not satisfy the conditions in paragraph 2(4), a group of people who are participating in the gathering which consists only of persons who are—
 - (i) members of the same household,
 - (ii) members of two households which are linked households in relation to each other,
 - (iii) members of two households which are linked childcare households in relation to each other and the gathering is for the purposes of informal childcare provided by a member of one of those households to the other, or
 - (iv) members of no more than three households who are in a linked Christmas household in relation to each other and the gathering takes place during the Christmas period in a place of worship or a public outdoor place that satisfies the conditions in paragraph 4(27);
- (b) in the application of this paragraph for the purposes of outdoor gatherings in a place which satisfies the conditions in paragraph 2(4), a group of people who are participating in that gathering and which—
 - (i) consists of no more than 6 persons, or
 - (ii) consists only of persons as mentioned in paragraph (a)(i) to (iv).