## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 3) Regulations 2020

## **Powers of Secretary of State**

- **3.**—(1) The Secretary of State may give a direction to a local authority requiring the authority to give a direction under regulation 4(1), 5(1) or 6(1), if the Secretary of State considers that the conditions in regulation 2(1) would be met in relation to the local authority direction.
- (2) If the Secretary of State considers that one or more of the conditions in regulation 2(1) is no longer met in relation to a direction under regulation 4(1), 5(1) or 6(1) given by a local authority, the Secretary of State must direct the local authority to—
  - (a) revoke the direction without replacement, or
  - (b) revoke the direction and replace it with a further direction under regulation 4(1), 5(1) or 6(1) in relation to which the Secretary of State considers that the conditions in regulation 2(1) would be met.
- (3) Where the Secretary of State gives a direction to a local authority under this regulation, regulation 2(1) and (4) do not apply in relation to the giving of a direction by the local authority pursuant to the Secretary of State's direction.
  - (4) A direction under this regulation may be revoked by the Secretary of State.
- (5) Before giving or revoking a direction under this regulation, the Secretary of State must consult the Chief Medical Officer or one of the Deputy Chief Medical Officers of the Department of Health and Social Care.
- (6) The powers conferred by this regulation are without prejudice to the power of the Secretary of State under section 71 of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984.
- (7) A county council for an area for which there is also a district council is to be regarded, with respect to its functions under these Regulations, as a relevant health protection authority for the purposes of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984.