

# Designation (No.3) under the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings in a Relevant Place) (England) Regulations 2020

The Secretary of State makes the following designations, in relation to England, with immediate effect, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulations 5(9)(d), 7(3), 7(11)(d) and 8 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings in a Relevant Place) (England) Regulations 2020 (“the Regulations”):

## **Enforcement of requirement to wear a face covering whilst entering or remaining within a relevant place**

1. For the purposes of regulation 5 (enforcement of requirement to wear a face covering whilst entering or remaining within a relevant place) of the Regulations, in relation to any Nexus transport hub, the Secretary of State hereby designates any Nexus officer as a “relevant person” (who may undertake the enforcement actions set out in regulation 5).

## **Enforcement: fixed penalty notices**

2. For the purposes of regulation 7 (fixed penalty notices) of the Regulations, in relation to any Nexus transport hub, the Secretary of State hereby designates—

- (a) any Nexus officer as an “authorised person” (who may issue a fixed penalty notice under regulation 7(1));
- (b) the Prosecutions Solicitor, Nexus, as a “designated officer” (an authority to whom payment of a fixed penalty notice may be made, and who may sign a certificate under regulation 7(10)).

## **Enforcement: prosecutions**

3. For the purposes of regulation 8 (prosecutions) of the Regulations, the Secretary of State hereby designates Nexus as a person who can bring proceedings for an offence under the Regulations.

## **Interpretation**

4. In this Designation—

- (a) “Nexus” means the Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive;
- (b) “Nexus officer” means an employee or agent of Nexus whilst acting in the course of their duties;
- (c) “Nexus transport hub” means any transport hub—
  - (i) from or to which a public transport service is provided by Nexus;
  - (ii) which is owned, leased or managed by Nexus.

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Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

**At 3pm on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021**