
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Information
for Persons Travelling to Wales etc.) Regulations 2020**

PART 3

Offences, penalties and prosecutions

Offences

6.—(1) A person who contravenes a requirement in regulation 3(1) or (3) or regulation 4 commits an offence.

(2) It is a defence to a charge of committing the offence of contravening the requirement in regulation 4 to show that the person had a reasonable excuse for the contravention.

(3) A person who commits an offence under paragraph (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine.

Fixed penalty notices

7.—(1) An authorised person may issue a fixed penalty notice to any person (“P”) that the authorised person reasonably believes has committed an offence under regulation 6(1).

(2) A fixed penalty notice is a notice offering P the opportunity of discharging any liability to conviction for the offence by payment of a fixed penalty to—

- (a) the Welsh Ministers, or
- (b) a person designated by the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of receiving payment under this regulation.

(3) Where a notice is issued under paragraph (1) in respect of an offence—

- (a) no proceedings may be taken for the offence before the end of the period of 28 days following the date the notice is issued;
- (b) P may not be convicted of the offence if P pays the fixed penalty before the end of that period.

(4) A fixed penalty notice must—

- (a) describe the circumstances alleged to constitute the offence,
- (b) state the period during which (because of paragraph (3)(a)) proceedings will not be taken for the offence,
- (c) specify the amount of the fixed penalty,
- (d) state the name and address of the person to whom the fixed penalty may be paid, and
- (e) specify permissible methods of payment.

(5) The amount of the fixed penalty specified under paragraph (4)(c) must be £4,000.

(6) In any proceedings, a certificate—

- (a) that purports to be signed by or on behalf of—
 - (i) the Welsh Ministers, or
 - (ii) a person designated by the Welsh Ministers under paragraph (2)(b), and
 - (b) states that the payment of a fixed penalty was, or was not, received by the date specified in the certificate,
- is evidence of the facts stated.

Prosecutions

8. No proceedings for an offence under these Regulations may be brought other than by the Director of Public Prosecutions or an authorised person.