

WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 725

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions)
(No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (revoked)**

PART 4

Gathering with other people

[^{F1}Restriction on indoor gatherings]

14.—(1) No person may, without a reasonable excuse—

- ^{F2}(a)
- (b) gather in premises indoors with any other person apart from—
 - (i) the members of their household,
 - (ii) their carer, or
 - (iii) a person they are providing care to.

(2) A reasonable excuse includes the need to do the following—

- (a) obtain [^{F3}or provide] medical assistance, including accessing any of the services referred to in paragraph 10 of Schedule 4 or accessing veterinary services;
- (b) [^{F4}provide, receive or access care or assistance, including childcare or relevant personal care] within the meaning of paragraph 7(3B) of Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding of Vulnerable Groups Act 2006^{M1}, where the person receiving the care is a vulnerable person;
- (c) provide or receive emergency assistance;
- ^{F5}(d)
- (e) work or provide voluntary or charitable services;
- (f) where the person is an elite athlete, train or compete;
- (g) attend a solemnization of a marriage or formation of a civil partnership—
 - (i) as a party to the marriage or civil partnership,
 - (ii) if invited to attend, or
 - (iii) as the carer of a person attending.
- (h) attend a funeral—
 - (i) as a person responsible for arranging the funeral,
 - (ii) if invited by a person responsible for arranging the funeral, or
 - (iii) as the carer of a person attending;

[^{F6}(hza) participate in a gathering of no more than 30 people at open premises to—

- (i) celebrate a solemnization of a marriage or formation of a civil partnership that takes place on or after 22 August 2020,

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(ii) celebrate the life of a deceased person whose funeral is held on or after 22 August 2020;]

[^{F7}(ha) attend a place of worship;]

(i) meet a legal obligation, including attending court or satisfying bail conditions, or to participate in legal proceedings;

(j) access or receive ^{F8}... public services ^{F8}...;

[^{F9}(ja) participate in or facilitate organised activities for the development or well-being of children (including sports, music and other recreational activities such as those provided for children outside of school hours and during school holidays);]

[^{F10}(jb) access educational services;]

(k) in relation to children who do not live in the same household as their parents, or one of their parents, continue existing arrangements for access to, and contact between, parents and children, and for the purposes of this paragraph, “parent” includes a person who is not a parent of the child, but who has parental responsibility for, or who has care of, the child;

(l) move home;

[^{F11}(m) undertake activities in connection with the purchase, sale, letting, or rental of residential property;]

(o) avoid injury or illness or escape a risk of harm.

[^{F12}(p) exercise with others, in a gathering of no more than 30 people, at a fitness studio, gym, swimming pool, other indoor leisure centre or facility or any other open premises.]

[^{F13}(q) visit a person who is resident in a care home, hospice, or in secure accommodation.]

[^{F14}(2A) It is also a reasonable excuse for no more than 6 people to gather in (any) premises indoors where all the persons in the gathering—

(a) live in the same premises, and

(b) share toilet, washing, dining or cooking facilities with each other.]

(3) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a person who is homeless.

^{F15}(4)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Reg. 14 heading substituted (3.8.2020) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/820\)](#), regs. 1, **2(6)(b)** (with reg. 3)
- F2** Reg. 14(1)(a) omitted (3.8.2020) by virtue of [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/820\)](#), regs. 1, **2(6)(a)** (with reg. 3)
- F3** Words in reg. 14(2)(a) inserted (17.9.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 10\) \(Rhondda Cynon Taf\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1007\)](#), regs. 1, **2(2)(a)**
- F4** Words in reg. 14(2)(b) substituted (16.10.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 19\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1130\)](#), regs. 1, **2(4)(a)**
- F5** Reg. 14(2)(d) omitted (17.9.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by virtue of [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 10\) \(Rhondda Cynon Taf\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1007\)](#), regs. 1, **2(2)(b)**
- F6** Reg. 14(2)(hza) inserted (22.8.2020) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 6\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/884\)](#), regs. 1, **2(4)** (with reg. 3)

- F7** Reg. 14(2)(ha) inserted (20.7.2020) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/752), regs. 1, **2(2)** (with reg. 3)
- F8** Words in reg. 14(2)(j) omitted (25.7.2020) by virtue of The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/803), regs. 1(3), **2(5)(a)** (with reg. 4)
- F9** Reg. 14(2)(ja) substituted (16.10.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 19) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1130), regs. 1, **2(4)(b)**
- F10** Reg. 14(2)(jb) inserted (28.8.2020 at 12.01 a.m.) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/912), regs. 1, **2(5)(a)** (with reg. 3)
- F11** Reg. 14(2)(m) substituted for reg. 14(2)(m)(n) (27.7.2020) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/803), regs. 1(4), **3(9)(a)** (with reg. 4)
- F12** Reg. 14(2)(p) inserted (10.8.2020) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/843), regs. 1, **2(5)** (with reg. 3)
- F13** Reg. 14(2)(q) inserted (28.8.2020 at 12.01 a.m.) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/912), regs. 1, **2(5)(b)** (with reg. 3)
- F14** Reg. 14(2A) inserted (22.9.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 11) (Blaenau Gwent, Bridgend, Merthyr Tydfil and Newport etc.) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1022), regs. 1, **2(2)**
- F15** Reg. 14(4) omitted (27.7.2020) by virtue of The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/803), regs. 1(4), **3(9)(b)** (with reg. 4)

Commencement Information

- I1** Reg. 14 in force at 13.7.2020, see reg. 1(4)

Marginal Citations

- M1** 2006 c. 47. Paragraph 7(3B) was inserted by section 66(2) of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (c. 9).

[^{F16}Restriction on outdoor gatherings

14A.—(1) No person may, without a reasonable excuse, participate in a gathering outdoors that consists of more than 30 people.

(2) A reasonable excuse includes the need to do the following—

- (a) work or provide voluntary or charitable services;
- (b) where the person is an elite athlete, train or compete;
- (c) meet a legal obligation;
- (d) access or receive public services;

[^{F17}(e) provide, receive or access childcare;

(ea) participate in or facilitate organised activities for the development or well-being of children (including sports, music and other recreational activities such as those provided for children outside of school hours and during school holidays);]

[access educational services.]

^{F18}(f)

[^{F19}(3) But the restriction in paragraph (1) does not apply to an organised [^{F20}event held outdoors]—

- (a) authorised in writing by the Welsh Ministers,

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- (b) at which no more than 100 people are in attendance (not including persons working, or providing voluntary services, at the event), and
- (c) which is held in accordance with any conditions specified in writing by the Welsh Ministers.

^{F21}(4)

^{F21}(5)]]

Textual Amendments

- F16** Reg. 14A inserted (3.8.2020) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/820\)](#), regs. 1, **2(7)** (with reg. 3)
- F17** Reg. 14A(2)(e)(ea) substituted for reg. 14A(2)(e) (16.10.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 19\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1130\)](#), regs. 1, **2(5)(a)**
- F18** Reg. 14A(2)(f) inserted (28.8.2020 at 12.01 a.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 7\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/912\)](#), regs. 1, **2(6)** (with reg. 3)
- F19** Reg. 14A(3)-(5) inserted (22.8.2020) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 6\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/884\)](#), regs. 1, **2(5)** (with reg. 3)
- F20** Words in reg. 14A(3) substituted (16.10.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 19\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1130\)](#), regs. 1, **2(5)(b)**
- F21** Reg. 14A(4)(5) omitted (16.10.2020 at 6.00 p.m.) by virtue of [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 19\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1130\)](#), regs. 1, **2(5)(c)**

[^{F22}Restriction on organising certain unlicensed music events

14B.—(1) No person may, without a reasonable excuse, be involved in organising a relevant unlicensed music event.

- (2) For the purposes of this regulation “relevant unlicensed music event” means an event—
 - (a) which consists of more than 30 people,
 - (b) at which people are gathered in contravention of regulation 14(1) or 14A(1),
 - (c) at which music is played or performed for the purpose, or for purposes which include the purpose, of entertainment, and
 - (d) where the playing or performance of the music is—
 - (i) a licensable activity (within the meaning of the Licensing Act 2003), and
 - (ii) not carried on under and in accordance with an authorisation (within the meaning given by section 136(5) of that Act).

(3) For the purposes of this regulation, a person is not involved in organising a relevant unlicensed music event if the person’s only involvement is, or would be, attending it.

(4) For the purposes of paragraph (1), a reasonable excuse includes where the person has taken all reasonable measures to ensure that people were not gathered at the event in contravention of regulation 14(1) or 14A(1).]

Textual Amendments

F22 Reg. 14B inserted (28.8.2020 at 12.01 a.m.) by [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus Restrictions\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 7\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/912\)](#), regs. 1, **2(7)** (with reg. 3)

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