
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 944 (W. 210)

PUBLIC HEALTH, WALES

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International
Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 8) Regulations 2020**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>3 September 2020</i>
		<i>at 11.00 a.m. on 4</i>
<i>Laid before Senedd Cymru</i>		<i>September 2020</i>
		<i>at 4.00 a.m. on 4</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>September 2020</i>

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 45B and 45P(2) of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984(1), make the following Regulations.

PART 1

General

Title, coming into force and interpretation

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 8) Regulations 2020.

(2) These Regulations come into force at 4.00 a.m. on 4 September 2020.

(3) In these Regulations, the “International Travel Regulations” means the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020(2).

(1) 1984 c. 22. Part 2A was inserted by section 129 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (c. 14). The function of making regulations under Part 2A is conferred on “the appropriate Minister”. Under section 45T(6) of the 1984 Act the appropriate Minister as respects Wales, is the Welsh Ministers.

(2) S.I. 2020/574 (W. 132) amended by S.I. 2020/595 (W. 136), S.I. 2020/714 (W. 160), S.I. 2020/726 (W. 163), S.I. 2020/804 (W. 177), S.I. 2020/817 (W. 179), S.I. 2020/840 (W. 185), S.I. 2020/868 (W. 190), S.I. 2020/886 (W. 196) and S.I. 2020/917 (W. 205).

PART 2

Amendments to the list of exempt countries and territories in Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations

Amendments to the list of exempt countries and territories

2.—(1) In Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations (exempt countries and territories outside the common travel area)—

(a) at the appropriate place insert—

“the Azores”

“Madeira”;

(b) after “Greece” insert “, except the territories of Antiparos, Crete, Lesvos, Mykanos, Paros, and Zakynthos”;

(c) omit “French Polynesia”;

(d) omit “Portugal”.

(2) In Part 2 of Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations (exempt countries and territories outside the common travel area), omit—

“Gibraltar”.

Transitional provision in connection with regulation 2

3.—(1) Paragraph (3) applies where a person (“P”)—

(a) arrives in Wales at or after 4.00 a.m. on 4 September 2020, and

(b) was last in a country or territory to which paragraph (2) applies—

(i) within the period of 14 days ending with the day of P’s arrival in Wales, and

(ii) before 4.00 a.m. on 4 September 2020.

(2) The countries and territories to which this paragraph applies are—

(a) the Greek territories of Antiparos, Crete, Lesvos, Mykanos, Paros and Zakynthos;

(b) French Polynesia;

(c) Portugal, with the exception of the Azores and Madeira;

(d) Gibraltar.

(3) P is, by virtue of having been in a country or territory to which paragraph (2) applies, to be treated for the purposes of regulations 7(1) and 8(1) of the International Travel Regulations as having arrived in Wales from, or having been in, a non-exempt country or territory.

(4) Regulation 3(3) and (4) of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 6) Regulations 2020(3) is revoked, except in relation to the Azores and Madeira.

PART 3

Amendment to the list of sporting events in Schedule 4 to the International Travel Regulations

Addition to the list of specified sporting events

4. In paragraph 14 of Schedule 4 (specified sporting events), at the end insert—

“(e) Hennessy Sports – European Boxing Union Super Featherweight Championship
Title.”

3 September 2020

Vaughan Gething
Minister for Health and Social Services, one of
the Welsh Ministers

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/574 (W. 132)) (the “International Travel Regulations”). The International Travel Regulations have been previously amended by:

- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Information for Persons Travelling to Wales etc.) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/595) (W. 136);
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Public Health Information to Travellers) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/714 (W. 160));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/726 (W. 163));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/804 (W. 177));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/817 (W. 179));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/840 (W. 185));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/868 (W. 190));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 6) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/886 (W. 196));
- the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/917 (W. 205)).

The International Travel Regulations impose requirements on persons entering Wales after having been abroad. They include a requirement for persons arriving in Wales to isolate for a period determined in accordance with the Regulations. The requirements imposed by the International Travel Regulations are subject to exceptions, and certain categories of person are exempt from having to comply. Persons entering Wales after being in one or more of the countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 to the International Travel Regulations are not required to isolate. The countries and territories listed in Schedule 3 are referred to as “exempt countries and territories”.

Part 2 of these Regulations amends the list of exempt countries and territories.

Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends the International Travel Regulations to remove the Greek territories of Antiparos, Crete, Lesvos, Mykanos, Paros and Zakynthos from the list of exempt countries and territories.

Regulation 2 also removes Portugal (with the exception of the Azores and Madeira), French Polynesia and Gibraltar from the list of exempt countries and territories.

Regulation 3 of these Regulations makes transitional provision relating to these countries and territories’ change of status. The transitional provision addresses a potential area of doubt in terms of the effect on the operation of the International Travel Regulations, of the amendments made by regulation 2 of these Regulations.

Regulation 4 of these Regulations adds a further event to the list of specified sporting events in Schedule 4 to the International Travel Regulations.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared as to the likely cost and benefit of complying with these Regulations.