

Home Nation COVID19 Restriction Summary

Below is a summary of the current situation for each of the home nations. In addition, there are different conditions for The Isle of Man and the Channel Islands. Some areas of the country have just been placed under specific local lockdown restrictions by the Government, which take priority over the general, national guidance. Some local councils have allowed sport and leisure activities to continue provided they are organised by a National Governing Body, such as The Pony Club, in a risk assessed COVID-19 secure environment. Please ensure you check your local council restrictions carefully and follow them accordingly.

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	England	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Wales
Social Gathering	<p>"Rule of 6", any gathering of more than 6 people in England is illegal, unless it meets one of the exemptions. Applies indoors and outdoors.</p> <p>Organised, COVID-secure activity run under "return to play" protocols allowed with greater numbers.</p> <p>Pubs, restaurants and bars close at 10pm</p>	<p>No mixing of households in private dwellings, no more than 6 in a private garden from maximum of 2 different households. Children under 12 not counted in total.</p> <p>Informal leisure activities permitted outdoors up to 15</p> <p>Organised recreational and sporting activity allows greater numbers, must be risk-assessed and <i>"take all reasonable measures to limit the transmission of the coronavirus"</i></p>	<p>Only 1 household or extended household indoors</p> <p>Outdoors up to 6 people / 2 households. Does not include under 12yrs. Outdoors, 12-17yrs old must keep to limit of 6 people, but exempt from 2 household limit</p> <p>Not meet more than 4 other households each day. (12-17yrs only 1 other household at a time but no limit to total households during day)</p> <p>Pubs, restaurants and bars close at 10pm</p>	<p>Indoors, same household or extended household only, up to 6, not including children under 11 or carers</p> <p>Up to 30 allowed outdoors, with social distancing.</p>
Social Distancing	2m or 1m plus mitigating measures	2m or 1m plus mitigating measures	<p>2m</p> <p>Under 11yrs not required</p> <p>12-17yrs allowed contact during a "field of play bubble"</p>	2m or 1m plus mitigating measures

Face Covering	Public transport, shops, indoors where social distancing may be difficult.	Public transport, shops for over 13s	Public transport, shops, indoors	Indoor public spaces for everyone over 11. Includes coaches indoors but not riders
Travel	Any	Any	Any	Travel for sport allowed (not in or out of a lockdown area), but non-essential travel discouraged. Emphasis on local travel.
Riders	Up to 6 informally, larger number for risk-assessed, COVID secure organised activity	Up to 15 informally, larger number for organised activity	2 households ride together up to 6 people. 30 allowed for organised activity	Up to 30 can assemble " <i>with all reasonable measures taken to mitigate risks</i> "
Coaches	Organised training numbers subject to risk assessment	Organised training numbers subject to risk assessment	Organised group coaching up to 30, multiple sessions allowed during day provided groups don't mix	Socially distanced groups up to 30, no limit on number of sessions per day
Venues	Total numbers based on risk assessment to maintain COVID secure environment.	Total numbers based on risk assessment to maintain COVID secure environment. For indoor activities, the relevant facility must not be capable of facilitating more than 5000 spectators.	Organised training or competitions up to 30, multiple sessions allowed during day provided groups don't mix. Multiple sessions of bubbles of 30 allowed, up to 200 per day. No adult indoor contact sport	Maximum of 30 on site at any one time, including officials. Separate groups of 30, not a rolling number.
Covered (indoor) Arenas permitted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
CPD	Organised, socially distanced CPD, subject to risk assessment..	15 person limit does not apply to gathering organised by responsible person	Up to 30 outdoors or covered arena	Up to 30 outdoors or covered arena
Source of information	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-meeting-with-others-safely-social-distancing	https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/health-protection-coronavirus-restrictions-northern-ireland-regulations-2020	https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/ https://www.horsescotland.org/equestrianphaseguidance	https://gov.wales/coronavirus-regulations-guidance