

Framework for Restrictive Measures in Response to COVID-19

Item	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Social/Family Gatherings					
Private Home/Gardens	Up to 10 visitors from up to 3 households	Visitors from one other household only or up to 6 visitors from 2 other households or 3 other households. (to be determined by prevailing public health advice for the county or other defined geographical area)	Visitors from one other household only OR Own household only (to be determined by prevailing public health advice for the county or other defined geographical area)	Own household only - No visitors	Own household only - No visitors
Other Settings - outside private homes/gardens	Members of different households can continue to meet socially in other settings with strict adherence to the sectoral guidance for those settings. There should be no more than 50 attendees where there is no specific guidance for the setting .	Members of different households can continue to meet socially in other settings up to 6 people indoors, 15 outdoors from 1, 2 or 3 other households (to be determined by prevailing public health advice for the county or other defined geographical area)	No social/family gatherings should take place in other settings	No social/family gatherings should take place in other settings	No social/family gatherings should take place in other settings
Weddings (regardless of venue)	Exemption: Up to 100 guests for wedding ceremony and reception	Exemption: Up to 50 guests for wedding ceremony and reception	Exemption: Up to 25 guests for wedding ceremony and reception	Exemption: Up to 6 guests for wedding ceremony and reception	Exemption: Up to 6 guests for wedding ceremony and reception
Organised Indoor Events (Controlled Environments with a named event organiser, owner or manager)					
For example, business, training events, conferences, events in theatres, cinemas and other Arts events, (excluding sport)	Up to 100 patrons Up to 200 patrons permitted for larger venues where strict 2 metre seated social distancing and one-way controls for entry and exit can be implemented. For very large purpose built event facilities (e.g. stadia, auditoriums, conferencing/event centres), specific guidance will be developed with the relevant sectors to take account of size and different conditions for larger events	Up to 50 patrons and in pods/groups of up to 6 if appropriate, with arrangements to ensure no intermingling of groups Up to 100 patrons permitted for larger venues where strict 2 metre seated social distancing and one-way controls for entry and exit can be implemented.	No organised indoor gatherings should take place	No organised indoor gatherings should take place	No organised indoor gatherings should take place
Organised Outdoor Events (Controlled Environments with a named event organiser, owner or manager)					
For example, outdoor Arts events, training even	Up to 200 patrons for majority of venues Up to 500 patrons for outdoor stadia or other fixed outdoor venues with a minimum accredited capacity of 5,000 (with robust protective measures as per sectoral guidance) For very large purpose built event facilities (e.g. stadia, auditoriums, conferencing/event centres), specific guidance will be developed with the relevant sectors to take account of size and different conditions for larger events	Up to 100 patrons for majority of venues. Up to 200 patrons for outdoor stadia or other fixed outdoor venues with a minimum accredited capacity of 5,000 (with robust protective measures as per sectoral guidance)	Gatherings of up to 15 people	Gatherings of up to 15 people	No organised outdoor gatherings should take place
Exercise and Sporting Events					
Training	Normal training sessions and games indoors and outdoors with protective measures	Outdoors - training can take place in pods of up to 15 (exemption for prof/elite/inter-county sports/senior club championship). Indoors - training, exercise and dance classes can take place in pods of up to 6 inside. (exemption for prof/elite/inter-county sports/senior club championship).	Outdoors - Non contact training only in pods of up to 15 (exemption for prof/elite/inter-county sports/senior club championship). Indoors – Individual training only. No exercise/dance classes.	Outdoors - Non contact training only in pods of up to 15	Individual training only. No exercise or dance classes.

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Matches/Events	Matches/events - up to 200 patrons/spectators outdoors and 100 patrons/spectators indoors	Matches/events - up to 100 patrons/spectators outdoors and 50 patrons/spectators indoors	No matches/events to take place Exemption: professional/elite/inter-county/senior club championship/horse-racing behind closed doors	No matches/events to take place Exemption: professional/elite/inter-county/horse-racing behind closed doors	No matches/events to take place
	Up to 500 for outdoor stadia or other fixed outdoor venues with a minimum accredited capacity of 5,000	Up to 200 for outdoor stadia or other fixed outdoor venues with a minimum accredited capacity of 5,000			
	For large purpose built event facilities (e.g. stadia, auditoriums, conferencing/event centres), specific guidance will be developed with the relevant sectors to take account of size and different conditions for events such as large national and international sporting events.				
Gyms/Leisure Centres/Swimming Pools	Gyms/leisure centres/swimming pools open with protective measures, taking account of public health advice, including social distancing		Gyms/leisure centres/swimming pools open with protective measures, for individual training only	Gyms/leisure centres/swimming pools closed	
Religious Services					
Religious Services	Open with protective measures (for example, appropriate social distancing, one-way traffic within the venue, removal of communal prayer items) up to 50 worshippers.		Services move online Places of worship remain open for private prayer.	Services move online Places of worship remain open for private prayer.	Services move online Places of worship remain open for private prayer.
	Where the premises allows for a capacity of greater than 50 this may be permitted in separated sub-groupings of no more than 50, with additional protective measures as per guidelines.		Exemptions: Funerals - Up to 25 mourners	Exemptions: Funerals - Up to 25 mourners	Exemptions: Funerals - Up to 10 mourners
Indoor Museums, Galleries & other Cultural Attractions where people are non-stationary and social distancing can be maintained					
	Open with protective measures (for example, a maximum capacity to allow 2m distancing, one-way traffic within the venue) max numbers linked to capacity, taking account of public health advice.		All venues closed Libraries will be available for e-services and call and collect	All venues closed - online services available	
Bars, Cafes & Restaurants (including hotel restaurants/bars) and Wet Pubs					
Bars, cafes & restaurants (including hotel restaurants/bars)	Open with protective measures (e.g. physical distancing, table service only, cleaning regimes, noise controls etc). Max numbers in restaurants, cafes and bars linked to capacity of establishment, taking account of appropriate social distancing.	Open with protective measures in place (e.g. physical distancing, table service only, cleaning regimes, noise controls etc) Max numbers in bars linked to capacity of establishment, taking account of appropriate social distancing, but with individual groups limited to 6 people from no more than 3 households or the prevailing advice on the mixing of households.	Additional restrictions for indoor dining	Take away food or delivery. No indoor dining Outdoor dining to max 15 patrons	Take away food or delivery only
Wet Bars	Open with protective measures (e.g. physical distancing, table service only, cleaning regimes, noise controls etc). Max numbers in bars linked to capacity of establishment, taking account of appropriate social distancing.	Open with protective measures in place (e.g. physical distancing, table service only, cleaning regimes, noise controls etc) Max numbers in bars linked to capacity of establishment, taking account of appropriate social distancing, but with individual groups limited to 6 people from no more than 3 households or the prevailing advice on the mixing of households.	Additional Restrictions	Outdoor seating only to max 15 patrons	Take away or delivery only
Nightclubs, Discos, Casinos	Closed				

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Paid Accommodation					
Hotels, Guesthouses B&Bs etc.	Open with protective measures (for example, staff face coverings, signage, hand sanitiser, regular cleaning of hard surfaces, customer details recorded for contact tracing process).		Open but services limited to residents	Open but only for existing guests, and those with essential non-social and non-tourist purposes.	Open only for those with essential non-social and non-tourist purposes.
Retail/Services (e.g. hairdressers, beauticians, barbers)					
Retail & Personal Services (e.g. hairdressers, beauticians, barbers)	Mandatory face coverings				
	Open with protective measures.			Essential retail and businesses that are primarily outdoors only. All other retail and personal services closed.	Essential retail only. All other retail and personal services closed.
Work					
Work	Work from home if possible. Attendance at work for specific business requirements and on a staggered attendance basis.	Work from home if possible Attendance at work for essential on-site meetings, inductions, training.	Work from home unless absolutely necessary to attend in person	Only essential or other designated workers should go to work	Work from home unless essential for work which is an essential health, social care or other essential service and cannot be done from home
Domestic Travel					
Domestic Travel Restrictions	No restrictions		Stay in your county (or other defined geographical area) apart from work, education and other essential purposes	Stay in your county (or other defined geographical area) apart from essential work, education and other essential purposes	Stay at home (exercise within 5km of home)
Schools, Early Learning and Childcare Services, Adult and Higher Education					
Schools, Early Learning and Childcare Services & Higher and Adult Education	Open with protective measures		Schools and creches open with protective measures Further, higher and adult education to escalate all appropriate protective measures and limit congregation as far as possible	Further, higher and adult education moves primarily online with appropriate protective measures in place for essential attendance on site	Recommendations based on precise situation and evidence at time.
Outdoor playgrounds, play areas and parks					
	Open with protective measures.				
Transport					
Public Transport	Mandatory face coverings				
	Walk or Cycle where possible	Walk or Cycle where possible	Walk or Cycle where possible	Walk or Cycle where possible	Walk or Cycle where possible
	Capacity limits to be determined by prevailing public health advice	Capacity restricted to 50%	Capacity restricted to 50%	Capacity restricted to 25%	
	Travel during off-peak hours where possible	Peak hours for essential workers and essential purposes only	Essential workers and essential purposes only	Avoid public transport - Essential workers & essential purposes only	
Over 70 and Medically Vulnerable individuals					
Those aged over 70 and Medically Vulnerable individuals	Those aged 70 years and over and the medically vulnerable should exercise judgement regarding the extent to which they engage with others and in activities outside home.	Those aged 70 years and over and the medically vulnerable should exercise judgement regarding the extent to which they engage with others and in activities outside home.			Specific guidance will be provided.
Long Term Residential Care Facilities Visiting					
LTRC Facilities Visiting	Open with protective measures Follow HPSC guidance	Open with enhanced protective measures Follow HPSC guidance	Suspended, aside from critical and compassionate circumstances		