

## **TIER UPDATE 12 April 2021**

Please note that during the National Mourning period, TIER Meeting has been postponed and TIER will not be sending out their regular daily updates which will recommence on Monday 19th April.

Please find below today's Tourism Alliance update and attached a letter from the National Events Intelligence Unit (NEIU) which would be of interest to those who organise events and liaise on their security and safety with the NEIU.

### **TOURISM ALLIANCE UPDATE – 12 April**

- **Updated Reopening Guidance**

The guidance on which businesses can reopen has been updated for Step 2. There is nothing new in this but it is good to bookmark this guidance document as a reference for the next five weeks.

[\(COVID-19\) Coronavirus restrictions: what you can and cannot do - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-restrictions)

- **Step 2 Poster**

The NHS have produced a new poster that outlines the restrictions associated this stage of the roadmap. This is a great resource to print out for staff and customers who will be returning to businesses today

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/977566/COVID-19 Roadmap Posters STEP 2 2021 - digital .pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/977566/COVID-19_Roadmap_Posters_STEP_2_2021_-_digital_.pdf)

- **Weddings Guidance Updated**

The guidance for holding weddings has been updated for Step 2. The key guidance is that weddings and civil partnership ceremonies are permitted to take place with up to 15 people in COVID-19 secure venues that are permitted to open or where a broader exemption applies.

Receptions can take place with up to 15 people in the form of a sit down meal in any COVID-19 Secure outdoor venue that is permitted to open. Such receptions must not take place in people's private gardens or public outdoor spaces.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-small-marriages-and-civil-partnerships/covid-19-guidance-for-small-marriages-and-civil-partnerships>

There is also the guidance on which businesses need to stay closed until 17th May in the following document

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/further-businesses-and-premises-to-close/closing-certain-businesses-and-venues-in-england>

And finally on the generic guidance there is an updated guidance document for the public on what they can and cannot do during this Step.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do>

- **Guidance for the Self-Employed**

The Government has produced two guidance documents for self-employed people who are currently getting less work or not work at all. The guidance looks at the options and eligibility of:

- Claiming SIESS
- Claiming Test and Trace Support
- Claiming New Style Employment and Support Allowance
- Claiming New Style Jobseeker's Allowance
- Claiming Universal Credit
- Claiming Pension Credit
- Looking for other work

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-what-to-do-if-youre-self-employed-and-getting-less-work-or-no-work>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-what-to-do-if-you-were-employed-and-have-lost-your-job>

- **Updated Guidance for Wales**

The Welsh Government has announced that it will be accelerating elements of its programme to relax COVID-19 restrictions

People will be able to form an extended household, visit the gym or take part in organised outdoor activities a week earlier than planned, as the public health situation - and vaccination rates - continue to improve. The First Minister last week set out a detailed timetable for moving Wales firmly into alert level three.

From today, Monday 12 April, the following relaxations are in place:

- The full return of children to schools for face-to-face education, all post-16 learners return to further education and training centres, and university campuses are able to open for blended face-to-face/online learning for all students
- All remaining shops reopen, completing the phased reopening of non-essential retail
- All remaining close contact services open, including mobile services
- Travel restrictions on traveling into and out of Wales are lifted. However, restrictions on travel to countries outside the Common Travel Area without a reasonable excuse, remain in place. The Common Travel Area means the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland
- Wedding 'show-arounds' by appointment are allowed

Further easements to restrictions in the coming weeks will be subject to the public health situation remaining favourable. These will be confirmed at the next three-weekly review of the coronavirus regulations on 22 April.

On Monday 26 April:

- Outdoor attractions, including funfairs and theme parks, would be allowed to reopen

- Outdoor hospitality can resume, including at cafes, pubs and restaurants. Indoor hospitality will remain closed except for takeaways
- Organised outdoor activities for up to 30 people can again take place (previously Monday 3 May)
- Weddings receptions can take place outdoors for up to 30 people (previously Monday 3 May)

On Monday 3 May (previously Monday 10 May):

- Gyms, leisure centres and fitness facilities can reopen. This will include individual or one-to-one training but not exercise classes
- Extended household will again allow two households to meet and have contact indoors