

Designations under the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020

The Secretary of State makes the following designations, in relation to England, with immediate effect, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulations 8(12)(a)(iv), 10(11)(iii) and 11 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020 (“the Restrictions Regulations”):

Enforcement: general

1. For the purposes of regulation 8 of the Restrictions Regulations, each specified authority (see paragraph 4 below) is hereby designated by the Secretary of State as a relevant person who may take such action as is necessary to enforce any requirement or restriction imposed by regulation 4 (business closures) or 5 (further business restrictions) of the Regulations, including giving a prohibition notice under regulation 8(2) of the Regulations in relation to any contravention of regulation 4 or 5.

Enforcement: fixed penalty notices

2. For the purposes of regulation 10 of the Restrictions Regulations, each specified authority is hereby designated by the Secretary of State as an authorised person who may issue a fixed penalty notice to anyone, over the age of 18, who the authorised person reasonably believes has committed an offence of contravening a requirement or restriction in regulation 4 or 5 of the Regulations.

Prosecutions

3. For the purposes of regulation 11 of the Restrictions Regulations, each specified authority is designated as a person who may bring proceedings for:
 - i. any offence of contravening a requirement or restriction in regulation 4 or 5 of the Regulations;
 - ii. any offence of failing to comply with a prohibition notice given under regulation 8 of the Regulations;
 - iii. any offence by an officer of a body corporate under regulation 9(5) of the Regulations.

Specified authorities

4. For the purposes of these designations, “a specified authority” means:
 - i. a district council;
 - ii. a county council;
 - iii. a London borough council;
 - iv. the Common Council of the City of London;
 - v. the Council of the Isles of Scilly.

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