

2nd July 2020

Briefing Note

CECA Scotland Member Briefing:

COVID-19 - CECA SCOTLAND UPDATE

Introduction

CECA Scotland will be producing regular updates to keep member companies updated on new developments relating to the Covid-19 coronavirus and its impact on the Scottish civils sector. This briefing will be delivered daily and posted on our website. If you would like further information or to share your experiences about how COVID-19 is impacting on your business, contact our Chief Executive, Grahame Barn: 07976 199615 or grahame@cecascotland.co.uk.

COVID-19: Physical Distancing Update

The Scottish Government has today (2 July) announced an update on the approach to physical distancing in light of advice from the Scottish Government COVID-19 Advisory Group (which you can read [here](#)). You can also read guidance received from the Advisory Group on “Superspreader” events [here](#), which highlights the risk of large numbers of people gathering indoors at close proximity, such as in large factories, in care homes or at conferences.

The **2-metre rule will remain the default physical distancing requirement for Phase 3**, however there will now be some exceptions for a **limited number of sectors and settings**, following agreement of appropriate and necessary mitigating measures. The sectors which qualify for exemption are public transport, outdoor hospitality, indoor hospitality and retail. Other settings will be reviewed for potential exceptions, but 2 metres will remain the default (including in construction).

The **Phase 2: Scotland’s route map - physical distancing guidance update** can be read in full [here](#)

Other announcements in the First Ministers Daily Update (2nd July)

The First Minister also outlined [changes](#) which will come into force over this weekend.

- Travel distance limit relaxed - 3 July (*except for people living in Gretna, Dumfries, Lockerbie, Langham, Cannonbie and Annan where the 5-mile limit will stay for now*)
- Self-catering accommodation and second homes (without shared facilities) permitted - 3 July
- Outdoor hospitality (subject to physical distancing rules and public health advice) - 6 July
- Children under 12 will no longer need to maintain physical distancing with other children or adults outdoors.

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- Older children and young people aged 12-17 can continue to meet in groups outdoors as in existing rules (maximum of 3 households in the group, no more than 8 people in total). However, there will now be no limit to the number of these groups that the young person can meet in a day. 12-17 year olds should continue to physically distance.

Face Coverings in Shops

From the expected start of phase 3 (10 July), wearing face coverings will also be mandatory in shops, with some exceptions.

CECA National Weekly Update

The latest CECA National Weekly Update for 24th June-1st July, can be read [here](#).

Update to Shielding Guidance for Children

New evidence published today advises that most children no longer need to shield. Read more [here](#).

CECA Scotland FREE NEC4 Overview Workshops

Wednesday 22nd July, Tuesday 28th July OR Thursday 30th July - 0900-1600

We are running three free NEC4 Overview workshops for members, delivered by Glenn Hide of GMH Planning, online via Microsoft Teams. These one-day workshops will introduce delegates to the common philosophies of the NEC family of contracts and will focus in detail upon the key mechanics and provisions of the NEC4 Engineering and Construction Contract (ECC). Further information and booking details can be found [here](#). Please note these are for CECA members only.

COVID-19 Updates on CECA Scotland Website

We have created a new page on the CECA Scotland website listing all relevant COVID-19 guidance for CECA Scotland members. This will be added to over the coming weeks. You can access it [here](#).

You can access the Scottish Government's latest COVID-19 Construction Sector guidance [here](#).

Access Phase 2: business and physical distancing guidance [here](#).

Read Returning to Work Safely guidance [here](#)

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