

COVID-19 Local Protection Levels (Scotland)

Please note this is a working document.

COVID protection levels set out measures that can be applied nationally or locally depending on prevalence of the virus across Scotland.

The 5-level system will help you to prepare for restrictions that might be introduced, as well as showing how they may be lifted. Find out [which level applies to your area here](#).

Further restrictions come into effect from Sat 16 January. In Level 4 areas currently in lockdown please follow the [stay at home guidance](#). Nobody who lives in a Level 4 area should leave or remain outside their home except for essential purposes. [Working from home](#) should now be the default position for all businesses and services, and only those who cannot do their job from home should be asked to go to the workplace.

Level 0	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Visitor attractions Open with protective measures. Face coverings indoors are compulsory for all visitors and staff.	Open with protective measures. Face coverings indoors are compulsory for all visitors and staff.	Open with protective measures. Face coverings indoors are compulsory for all visitors and staff. Soft play, funfairs & theatres must close.	Open with protective measures. Face coverings indoors are compulsory for all visitors and staff.	Indoor areas (including retail & hospitality) must close. Outdoor areas (including playgrounds) can open. Toilets can open and tickets can be checked indoors (with mitigating measures).
Events Outdoor events permitted (with restricted numbers) Indoor events (with restricted numbers) seated but not standing permitted	Outdoor events (with restricted numbers) seated but not standing permitted Small seated indoor events permitted	Not permitted except drive-in events Not permitted	Not permitted Not permitted	Not permitted Not permitted

<p>Ceremonies and receptions/wakes – 50 person limit</p> <p><u>Children’s activities</u> - permitted</p>	<p>Ceremonies and receptions/wakes – 20 person limit</p> <p>Permitted</p>	<p>Ceremonies and receptions/wakes – 20 person limit</p> <p>Restrictions apply</p>	<p>Ceremonies and receptions/wakes – 20 person limit</p> <p>Restrictions apply</p>	<p>Weddings/civil partnerships (but no receptions) - 5 person limit. Funerals & wakes – 20 person limit</p> <p>Indoor children’s activities not permitted</p>
<p>Groups</p> <p>Indoors - max 8 people from 3 households</p> <p>Outdoors – max 15 people from 5 households</p>	<p>Indoors & outdoors – max 6 people from 2 households</p>	<p>Outdoors & in public places - max 6 people from 2 households</p>	<p>Outdoors & in public places - max 6 people from 2 households</p>	<p>Outdoors & in public places – max 2 people (aged 12 and over) from different households. Members of an individual or extended household can meet outdoors.</p>
<p>Travel</p> <p>No non-essential travel to level 3 or higher areas</p> <p>Face coverings compulsory on public transport</p>	<p>No non-essential travel to level 3 or higher areas</p> <p>Face coverings compulsory on public transport</p>	<p>No non-essential travel to level 3 or higher areas</p> <p>Face coverings compulsory on public transport</p>	<p>No non-essential travel into or out of the level 3 area</p> <p>Avoid non-essential use of public transport - face coverings compulsory</p>	<p>No non-essential travel. You can only leave your home (or garden) if you have a reasonable excuse.</p> <p>Public transport for essential use only – face coverings compulsory</p>
<p>Hospitality</p> <p>Indoors</p> <p>Eating and drinking while seated is required at all levels. Takeaways permitted for alcohol and food at all levels.</p>	<p>21:30 Last Entry 22:30 Closed</p>	<p>19:00 Last Entry 20:00 Closed Alcohol only with main meal</p>	<p>17:00 Last Entry 18:00 Closed No alcohol</p>	<p>Closed</p>

Outdoors	21:30 Last Entry 22:30 Closed	21:30 Last Entry 22:30 Closed	17:00 Last Entry 18:00 Closed No alcohol	Takeaways permitted provided food and drink is sold for consumption off premises. You must either deliver to customers or, where the customer collects, operate on a no entry basis. It is against the law to consume alcohol in an outdoor public place in any Level 4 area.
<u>Retail</u> Open	Open	Open	Open	All non-essential retail closed (with some exceptions for click & collect)
Accommodation Open	Open	Open	Open – but guidance advises local tourists and essential use only	Open – but essential use only, no tourism