

Government Guidance The Roadmap to Easing Restrictions – Step 4



Link – Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-summer-2021-roadmap>

Link – Legislation

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2021/364/contents/made>



Tests & Steps

The 4 Tests

- The coronavirus vaccine programme continues to go to plan.
- Evidence shows vaccines are sufficiently reducing the number of people dying or needing hospital treatment.
- Infection rates do not risk a surge in hospital admissions.
- New variants of the virus do not fundamentally change the risk of lifting.

The 4 Steps

Step 1 - 8th March & 29th March 

Step 2 - 12th April 

Step 3 - 17th May 

Step 4 - 19th July

5 Week Gap between Steps
4 weeks data collection + 1 weeks notice.



Step 4 – 19th July *review 12/07*

1. **Reinforce the country's vaccine wall of defence** through booster jabs and driving take up.
2. **Enable the public to make informed decisions** through guidance, rather than laws.
3. **Retain proportionate test, trace and isolate plans** in line with international comparators.
4. **Manage risks at the border and support a global response** to reduce the risk of variants emerging globally and entering the UK.
5. **Retain contingency measures** to respond to unexpected events, while accepting that further cases, hospitalisations and deaths will occur as the country learns to live with COVID-19.

“We must carry on with ‘hands, face, space’.
Meet outdoors when we can and keep letting fresh air in.
Get tested when needed. Get vaccinated when offered.”



REOPENING

- ‘Working Safely’ guidance will be updated to provide examples of sensible precautions that employers can take to reduce risk in their workplaces. Employers should take account of this guidance in preparing the risk assessments they are already required to make under pre-pandemic health and safety rules.
- Businesses must not require a self-isolating worker to come to work, and workers and customers who feel unwell should not attend.
- Businesses will be encouraged to ask staff and customers to clean their hands regularly and clean surfaces that people touch regularly. The Government will provide guidance on how businesses can reduce unnecessary contact in the workplace, where it is practical. Operators will still be encouraged to use outside space where practical, and to consider the supply of fresh air to indoor spaces. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) monitors can identify where a space is poorly ventilated .
- Businesses will be encouraged to display QR codes for customers to check in using the NHS COVID-19 app, to support NHS Test and Trace, although it will no longer be a legal requirement.

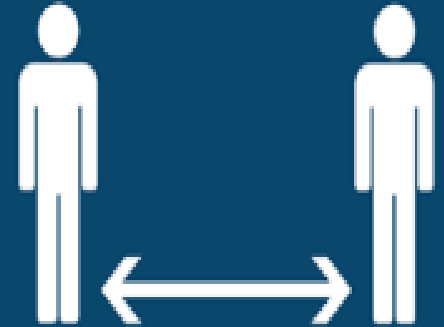




hands



face



space



fresh air



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