

24th June 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](mailto:grahame@cecascotland.co.uk).

### Returning to Work Safely

New guidance has been published today (24<sup>th</sup> June) on Returning to Work Safely which you can read in full [here](#). This advice applies to workers and employers who have restarted operations or are due to do so in [Phase 2 of the route map](#) and indicative [phase 2 and phase 3](#) (announced today).

For all other employees and businesses, the advice remains that if you can work from home, you should continue to do so.

### Scotland's Routemap: indicative dates for the remainder of Phase 2 and early Phase 3

The Scottish Government have today published [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Scotland's Route Map: Indicative dates for the remainder of Phase 2 and early Phase 3](#), which you can read in full [here](#). It sets out the likely dates for amendments to current restrictions planned for the remainder of Phase 2 and early in Phase 3, to assist businesses, individuals and organisations to prepare.

#### Monday 29 June

- Indoor (non-office) workplaces resume once relevant guidance is implemented.
- Outdoor markets can re-open once guidance is implemented.
- Relaxation on restrictions on housing moves.
- Outdoor sports courts can re-open.
- Playgrounds can re-open.
- Registration offices open for high priority tasks.

- Marriages & civil partnerships allowed with minimal attendees - outdoors only.
- Zoos and garden attractions can open for local access only (broadly within 5 miles) in this phase

#### Phase 2 - Indicative Dates

- Travel distance restriction relaxed - 3 July
- Self-catering accommodation and second homes (without shared facilities) permitted - 3 July

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- Outdoor hospitality (subject to physical distancing rules and public health advice) - 6 July

### Phase 3 - Indicative Dates

- People can meet in extended groups **outdoors** (with physical distancing) - 10 July
- Households can meet **indoors** with **two** other households (with physical distancing) - 10 July
- Organised outdoor contact sports can resume for children and young people - 13 July
- All dental practices begin to see registered patients for non-aerosol routine care. - 13 July
- Increasing capacity within community optometry practices for emergency & essential eye care - 13 July
- Non-essential shops inside shopping centres can re-open (following physical distancing) - 13 July
- All holiday accommodation permitted - 15 July
- Indoor hospitality (subject to physical distancing rules and public health advice) - 15 July
- Hairdressers and barbers - with enhanced hygiene measures - 15 July
- Museums, galleries, cinemas, monuments, libraries - with physical distancing and other measures (e.g. ticketing in advance) - 15 July
- All childcare providers can open subject to individual provider arrangements - 15 July

### Phase 3 - Advice on dates at 9 July Review (unlikely to be before 23 July)

- Non-essential offices and call centres can re-open following implementation of relevant guidance (including on physical distancing). Working from home and working flexibly remain the default
- Universities and colleges - phased return with blended model of remote learning and limited on campus learning where a priority. Public health measures (including physical distancing) in place.
- Places of worship can re-open for congregational services, **communal** prayer and contemplation with physical distancing and limited numbers
- Easing of restrictions on attendance at funerals, marriages, civil partnerships, with physical distancing (limited numbers).

### The following will be subject to further public health advice:

- Live events (**outdoors**) - with physical distancing and restricted numbers.
- Live events (**indoors**) - with physical distancing and restricted numbers.
- Indoor gyms - with physical distancing.
- Other personal retail services - with enhanced hygiene measures.
- Other indoor entertainment venues (e.g. nightclubs, bingo, theatres, music venues).

Further advice on Phase 3 (which is unlikely to begin before 23 July) will be given by 9<sup>th</sup> July.

### Change to the two-metre social distancing rule in England

From 4 July 2020, newly updated guidance recommends that in England, you keep two metres away from people as a precaution or one metre when you can mitigate the risk by taking other precautions. Find the updated guidance and further details on mitigating risks [here](#).

### Corporate Insolvency and Governance Bill Webinars

The Corporate Insolvency and Governance Bill will reform the insolvency and corporate governance framework in light of the COVID emergency. The Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy has planned two webinars to explain different aspects of this new legislation.

For more information please contact Grahame Barn on [grahame@cecascotland.co.uk](mailto:grahame@cecascotland.co.uk)

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To find out how provisions on **AGMs and filing extensions** will affect companies, you should join the Corporate Governance session at 10.30am on 30th June. You can [register here](#).

To find out how **the new rules on moratoriums, restructuring and winding-up petitions** will affect companies and their associated parties, register to join our Insolvency session at 10.30am on 7th July. You can [register here](#).

### CECA Scotland NEC4 Overview Webinars

We are now taking bookings from CECA Scotland members for our FREE NEC4 Overview Workshops. These will run on Wednesday 22nd July OR Tuesday 28th July - 0900-1600.

The workshop details are:

Speaker: Glenn Hide of [GMH Planning](#)

Location: Online via Microsoft Teams

Summary: This one day workshop 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).

Find out more, including booking details [here](#).

### New CITB e-Courses

The CITB have launched online eLearning e-courses, allowing employees, unable to access traditional training, to learn at their own pace, anytime, anywhere. Tutor-led training will continue to be the main delivery method, with eCourses providing an additional option ensuring that qualifications are not a barrier to your business or getting back to work.

The first e-Course available is the Site Safety Plus: Health & Safety Awareness course, which can be used to support applications for the CSCS labourer's card, once the course and exam have been successfully completed. Find out more about 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](#).

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