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Below are some relevant extracts of information from the Government Advice explaining the new restrictions, which apply from 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and how they may apply to the activities of the NVTEC, its Groups and other similar organisations.

This information is not definitive and may change at short notice in accordance with future legislation. There may also be local restrictions not covered by this general guidance.

Reference should always be made to the latest Government Guidance at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

This information primarily applies in England.

Groups in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland should refer to their own government's guidance for details specific to their country.

YOU CAN;		YOU CANNOT;	
meet in groups of up to <b>two</b> households in any location - public or private, indoors or outdoors	However, it remains the case - even inside someone's home - that you should socially distance from anyone not in your household or bubble.	gather indoors in groups of more than <b>two</b> households	Unless you are in a support bubble, or for other limited circumstances listed in law
continue to meet outside in groups of up to <b>six</b> people from different households,	When you are outside social distancing guidelines must be followed	gather outdoors in a group of more than <b>six</b> people from different households	Gatherings larger than six people should only take place if everyone is from just two households
travel irrespective of distance	However, you should take hygiene and safety precautions if using services on the way. If visiting other parts of the UK – Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland – you must adhere to the laws and guidance of the devolved administrations at all times.	interact socially with anyone outside the group you are attending a place with	Even if you see other people you know
		hold or attend functions (such as parties)	Where it is difficult to maintain social distancing
		It will be against the law to gather in groups larger than 30 people	Apart from some limited circumstances to be set out in law. The government are to introduce fines for those who facilitate meetings of more than 30 people

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The NVTEC is a hobby and social based club and as such its activities are not currently covered by the new business guidance however, the general guidance can be applied to the club's activities.

Many groups stopped their meetings and events immediately at the start of the Covid 19 crisis in March for the foreseeable future, with a view to hopefully starting their winter programmes in September. At present this may not be the case and clubs may have to remain closed for meetings and events into the autumn / winter season or beyond.

#### **Going forward:**

Given the current Government Guidance moving forward from the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020, particularly the references to

*"meet in groups of up to **two** households in **any** location - public or private, indoors or outdoors"*  
and

*"It will be against the law to gather in groups larger than **30 people**"*

it would appear that meetings of NVTEC Groups and events will not be able to take place for the foreseeable future.

Events for larger groups may take place in public outdoor spaces that are organised by **businesses, charitable or political organisations, and public bodies**, provided they take reasonable steps to mitigate the risk of transmission, in line with COVID-19 Secure guidance and including completion of a risk assessment.

**Any other gathering in an outdoor space must not be any larger than 30 people** (unless an exemption applies).

The government will be introducing fines for those who facilitate or organise illegal gatherings of over 30 people

Moving on, and following further changes to Government Advice, it is likely that any social events in meeting rooms would have to follow the Covid 19 Safety Plan of the meeting venue and follow the social distancing rules **in place at the time** which may render meetings and talks impracticable.

Also, if future Government Advice regarding mass gatherings allows, any ploughing matches, road runs or other events planned by any NVTEC organising committee would have to produce risk assessments and safety plans in line with the Covid 19 Regulations **current at the time of the event**.

These may need to be approved by the local authority and visitor numbers, if allowed, may have to be restricted

Further information can be found on the Government website at;

#### **Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance>

#### **Coronavirus outbreak FAQs: what you can and can't do**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>

#### **COVID-19 guidance for mass gatherings**

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<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-guidance-for-mass-gatherings>

### **Meeting people from outside your household**

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-people-from-outside-your-household>

### **The Visitor Economy**, indoor and outdoor attractions

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/the-visitor-economy#shops-4-1>

This guidance is based on Government Information issued on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020 regarding the position going forward from the 4 July 2020 and updated with information issued on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020

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