

## Guidance on what is possible in each English tier



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New rules come into effect from the beginning of Wednesday, 2 December and the [Government's Winter Plan](#) sets out the detail for each tier. [Find out what tier](#) your local area is in. From 2 December, across all of England, regardless of tier:

- The requirement to stay at home unless you have a reasonable excuse to leave will end, with domestic and international travel being permitted again subject to guidance in each tier
- Grassroots sport, including sailing and boating, will be allowed to resume from this date – clubs and marinas will be able to reopen
- People will no longer be limited to seeing only one other person in outdoor public places – the rule of 6 will now apply as it did in the previous set of tiers

The Government has assessed that stronger measures are needed in some areas to prevent the epidemic from growing. Briefly, and from what we know so far, the following table summarises the restrictions that will apply in each tier in England.

Activity	Tier 1 - Medium Alert	Tier 2 - High Alert	Tier 3 - Very High Alert
<b>Meeting with others</b>	You can see people from different households both indoors and outdoors in groups of up to 6 people from different households - "the rule of 6".	You can see people from different households outside in groups of up to 6 people but you can only meet inside with those in your household or support bubble.	You can meet with others in public outdoor places, such as beaches or parks, but only in groups of up to 6 people from different households.  You can only meet indoors or in private outdoor spaces, such as someone's garden, with those in your household or support bubble.
<b>Staying overnight</b>	You can only stay overnight somewhere if it's with those in your household, support bubble or within the rule of 6.	You can only stay overnight somewhere if it's with those in your household or support bubbles.	You can't stay overnight somewhere outside of local area unless needed for work, education or similar. This should only be with those in your household or support bubble.
<b>Hospitality - club bars and restaurants</b>	Restaurants and bars can be open. However, they must provide table service only.  They should close by 11pm and take last orders at 10pm.  The rule of 6 applies.  Takeaway and delivery services can remain open after 10pm.	Restaurants and bars must close unless they operate as restaurants and are able to serve a substantial meal providing table service only. Alcohol can only be served with a substantial meal.  They should close by 11pm and take last orders at 10pm.  You can only go to these places with people from your household or support bubble.  Takeaway and delivery services can remain open after 10pm.	Takeaway and delivery services can remain open.
<b>Exercise, sporting and physical activity</b>	Sailing clubs and marinas can open.  All forms of recreational boating are permitted within the rules for meeting others.	Sailing clubs and marinas can open.  All forms of recreational boating are permitted within the rules for meeting others.	Sailing clubs and marinas can open.  All forms of recreational boating are permitted within the rules for meeting others.
<b>Travel</b>	Avoid travel into tier 3 areas but you can travel through a tier 3 area as part of a longer journey.	Avoid travel into tier 3 areas but you can travel through a tier 3 area as part of a longer journey.	Avoid travel outside of a tier 3 area but you can travel through other areas as part of a longer journey.