

Coronavirus Update for Employers, Parents and Apprentices

The rules on Covid 19 are moving at a fast pace and we recommend you keep up to date on the Government websites. If you have any queries, contact F-TEC and we will assist you. Follow the links below for the latest information for all areas in the UK:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do#england-moves-to-step-4-from-19-july>

<https://gov.wales/coronavirus>

<https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/>

England moves to Step 4 from 19 July

- While cases are high and rising, everybody needs to continue to act carefully and remain cautious. This is why we are keeping in place key protections at step 4 from 19 July:
- testing when you have symptoms and targeted asymptomatic testing in education, high risk workplaces and to help people manage their personal risk.
- isolating when positive or when contacted by NHS Test and Trace.
- border quarantine: for all arriving from red list countries and for those people not fully vaccinated arriving from amber list countries.
- cautious guidance for individuals, businesses and the vulnerable whilst prevalence is high including:
 - whilst Government is no longer instructing people to work from home if they can, Government would expect and recommend a gradual return over the summer
 - Government expects and recommends that people wear face coverings in crowded areas such as public transport;
 - being outside or letting fresh air in
 - minimising the number, proximity and duration of social contacts.
 - encouraging and supporting businesses and large events to use the NHS Covid Pass in high risk settings. The Government will work with organisations where people are likely to be in close proximity to others outside their household to encourage the use of this. If sufficient measures are not taken to limit infection, the Government will consider mandating certification in certain venues at a later date.