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Guidance

## Full list of local restriction tiers by area

This page sets out the full list of local restriction tiers by area from Wednesday 2 December 2020. Some areas will change tier on 19 December.

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Decisions on which area goes into which tier are primarily based on 5 key epidemiological indicators:

- case detection rates in all age groups
- case detection rates in the over-60s
- the rate at which cases are rising or falling
- positivity rate (the number of positive cases detected as a percentage of tests taken)
- pressure on the NHS

The indicators are designed to provide a full picture of what is happening with the virus in any area so that suitable action can be taken.

Find out more information on tiers (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know>), including what you can and cannot do in each tier.

### Changes from Saturday 19 December

The following areas will be moving tier from the beginning of Saturday 19 December.

#### Areas that will move from Tier 3 to Tier 2:

## South West

- Bristol
- North Somerset

## Areas that will move from Tier 2 to Tier 1:

### West Midlands

- Herefordshire

## Areas that will move from Tier 2 to Tier 3:

### East of England

- Bedford, Central Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes
- Peterborough

### South East

- Berkshire (all remaining local authorities that are currently still in Tier 2: Reading, Wokingham, Bracknell Forest, Windsor and Maidenhead, and West Berkshire)
- Buckinghamshire
- Hastings and Rother
- Gosport, Havant and Portsmouth
- Hertfordshire (all remaining local authorities currently still in Tier 2)
- Surrey (excluding Waverley)

## Tier 1: Medium alert

### South East

- Isle of Wight

### South West

- Cornwall
- Isles of Scilly

## Tier 2: High alert

### East of England

- Bedford, Central Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes (will move to Tier 3 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- Cambridgeshire
- Some local authorities in Essex (Colchester, Tendring and Uttlesford)

- Some local authorities in Hertfordshire (Dacorum, East Hertfordshire, North Hertfordshire, St Albans, Stevenage, Welwyn Hatfield) will move to Tier 3 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December
- Peterborough (will move to Tier 3 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- Norfolk
- Suffolk

## East Midlands

- Northamptonshire
- Rutland

## North West

- Cumbria
- Liverpool City Region
- Warrington and Cheshire

## South East

- Brighton and Hove
- Berkshire (currently all of Berkshire except Slough is in Tier 2. From the beginning of Saturday 19 December, all of Berkshire will be in Tier 3)
- Buckinghamshire (will move to Tier 3 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- East Sussex (currently all of East Sussex is in Tier 2. From the beginning of Saturday 19 December, Hastings and Rother will move to Tier 3)
- Hampshire (currently all of Hampshire is in Tier 2. From the beginning of Saturday 19 December, Gosport, Havant and Portsmouth will move to Tier 3)
- Oxfordshire
- Surrey (all local authorities, excluding Waverley, will move to Tier 3 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- West Sussex

## South West

- Bath and North East Somerset
- Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole
- Devon, including Plymouth and Torbay
- Dorset
- Gloucestershire (Cheltenham, Cotswold, Forest of Dean, Gloucester, Stroud and Tewkesbury)
- Somerset (South Somerset, Somerset West and Taunton, Mendip and Sedgemoor)
- Wiltshire and Swindon

## West Midlands

- Herefordshire (will move to Tier 1 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)

- Shropshire, and Telford and Wrekin
- Worcestershire

## **Yorkshire**

- City of York
- North Yorkshire

## **Tier 3: Very High alert**

### **East of England**

- some local authorities in Essex (Basildon, Braintree, Brentwood, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Epping Forest, Harlow, Maldon, Rochford, Southend-on-Sea and Thurrock)
- some local authorities in Hertfordshire (Broxbourne, Hertsmere, Three Rivers and Watford)

### **East Midlands**

- Derby and Derbyshire
- Leicester and Leicestershire
- Lincolnshire
- Nottingham and Nottinghamshire

### **London**

- All 32 boroughs plus the City of London

### **North East**

- North East Combined Authority (this area includes the local authorities of County Durham, Gateshead, South Tyneside and Sunderland)
- North of Tyne Combined Authority (this area includes the local authorities of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, North Tyneside and Northumberland)
- Tees Valley Combined Authority (this area includes the local authorities of Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland, and Stockton-on-Tees)

### **North West**

- Greater Manchester
- Lancashire, Blackburn with Darwen, and Blackpool

### **South East**

- Kent and Medway
- Slough

### **South West**

- Bristol (will move to Tier 2 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- North Somerset (will move to Tier 2 from the beginning of Saturday 19 December)
- South Gloucestershire

## West Midlands

- Birmingham, Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton
- Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent
- Warwickshire, Coventry and Solihull

## Yorkshire and The Humber

- East Riding of Yorkshire
- Kingston upon Hull/Hull
- North East Lincolnshire
- North Lincolnshire
- South Yorkshire
- West Yorkshire

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### 1. 17 December 2020

Updated to reflect movement of areas between tiers.

### 2. 14 December 2020

Updated with areas that will move into Tier 3 from 16 December.

### 3. 26 November 2020

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- Tier 2: High alert (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tier-2-high-alert>)
- Making a support bubble with another household (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-support-bubble-with-another-household>)
- Tier 3: Very High alert (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tier-3-very-high-alert>)
- COVID-19 Winter Plan (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-winter-plan>)

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