**Summary of new Scottish Government
Measures to drive down the spread of
Coronavirus infection announced on 22 September**

**Key points from the Scottish First Minister were:**
The most important priority is saving lives. There is also a determination to keep schools open, to restart as many previously paused NHS services as possible, and to keep the country’s economy going.

The changes focus on household interaction and hospitality, as follows:

**Inside people’s homes from 23 September 2020**

* Do not meet people from any other households in your home or another person’s home socially, unless they are in your extended household. These rules also apply to children
* Children whose parents do not live in the same household can move between homes, as can non-cohabiting couples
* Limited exemptions apply for childcare, and for tradespeople

**Private gardens or public outdoors spaces from 23 September 2020**

* A maximum of six people from two households can meet in outdoor public spaces – such as cafes, and outdoors at home in private gardens. Children under 12 will be exempt from this number
* Limit as far as possible the total number of households you meet in a day
* A maximum of six 12 to 17 year olds can meet in outdoor spaces, with no household limit. Physical distancing is still required

**Indoors in public spaces, from 23 September 2020**

* A maximum of six people from two households can meet in public indoor spaces such as cafes, pubs and restaurants. Children under 12 from those two households do not count towards the limits.

**Hospitality measures from 25 September 2020**

* Pubs, restaurants and all hospitality settings will be required to close at 10pm
* Table service will continue to be required in all hospitality premises

**Car sharing**

* Only car share with members of your own, or extended, household, and follow guidance when there is no alternative

**Working**

* Everyone who can practicably work from home should work from home.

**Other**

Measures to support self-isolation were also announced to raise awareness of self-isolation and the importance of it, and the Scottish Government will work with Local Authorities to assist with delivery of food and support of £500 for people on low incomes.

**Further information can be found at:**

Scottish Government:
<https://www.gov.scot/news/new-measures-to-drive-down-infection-rate/>
<https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/>

NHS Inform
<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19> including information in other languages and formats.