

Restrictions to Snowsport Activity in England COVID-19 – Local Tiers (January 2021)

RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE FROM 00:01 ON WEDNESDAY 20th DECEMBER 2020

KEY POINTS

This grid outlines a summary of the Government restrictions for each of the tiers across England and what that means for snowsport activity. It now includes additional guidance for Tier 4.

Details of which tier each area of the country is in was published by the Government on Thursday 26th November and can be found [here](#)

Where activity is listed as permitted, this may still be subject to additional restrictions and protocols – facilities, coaches, clubs, and participants should therefore refer to the Snowsport England full COVID-19 secure detailed guidance before undertaking any activity.

Group sizes and operational processes are decided by the operator and need to be followed and discussed to ensure they remain a Covid-secure environment

If you do have to travel between Tiers, then the Tier with the highest risk level provides the rules you must follow. So, if you enter a Tier 1 from a Tier 2 you must still follow Tier 2 rules.

The Government have confirmed that there is an exemption for **indoor** group snowsport activity for disabled people and for under 18's (and for organised activity for education) and it is safe and appropriate for activity for these groups to continue indoors in both Tier 2 and Tier 3 areas, as long as it is done in line with Snowsport England's COVID-19 Secure guidelines for participants, coaches and facilities.

There is also an exemption for **outdoor** group snowsport activity for disabled people and for under 18's in Tier 4 areas, and it is again safe and appropriate for activity for these groups to continue as long as it is done in line with the COVID-19 Secure guidelines. The limited travel exemptions the Government have so far announced do not cover this, and so participants from these groups should not travel into or out of a Tier 4 area to take part in snowsport activity.

These exemptions also apply to travel guidelines for Tier 3, so these groups (plus parents/guardians and any necessary workforce) can travel into and out of Tier 3 areas for snowsport activity where this is necessary to facilitate participation.

Stay at home (Tier 4): If you live in a tier 4 area, you are able to leave your home for outdoor exercise. This should be done locally wherever possible, but you can travel a short distance within your tier 4 area to do so if necessary (for example, to access an open space). You should not leave your tier 4 area for sport and physical activity purposes (this includes under-18s and disabled people).

Please refer to the main Snowsport England coronavirus information page for all the latest coronavirus updates at www.snowsportengland.org.uk/covid-19-resources/

SUMMARY GRIDS

Please see the following pages for our summary grid covering snowsport activity by tier for:

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Outdoor Snowsport				
Activity Type	Tier 1 Medium	Tier 2 High	Tier 3 Very High	Tier 4 Stay at Home
Recreational Skiing & Snowboarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Rule of 6 applies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Rule of 6 applies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Rule of 6 applies Travel Restrictions into and out of areas apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Individuals / Household bubbles only
1:1 Coaching Sessions (one household bubble)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Travel Restrictions into and out of areas apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Travel Restrictions into and out of areas apply
Group Lessons / Club Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (Adults & Children) Group sizes in line with Covid Controls (max 15 for children) No socialising before or after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (Adults & Children) Group sizes in line with Covid Controls (max 15 for children) No socialising before or after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (Adults & Children) Group sizes in line with Covid Controls (max 15 for children) No socialising before or after Travel Restrictions into and out of areas apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted for adults Permitted for U18s & disabled people Max group size for children of 15 No socialising before / after Travel restrictions into / out of area
Spectating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating to be minimised and avoided where possible (rule of 6) Parent/guardian supervision permitted (one per child) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating to be minimised and avoided where possible (rule of 6) Parent/guardian supervision permitted (one per child) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating not allowed Parent/guardian supervision permitted, one per family group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating not allowed Parent/guardian supervision permitted, one per family group
Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising before or after event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising before or after event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Travel restrictions into or out of area apply No socialising before or after event Exemption for U18s, disability and education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted for adults Travel restrictions into or out of area apply No socialising before or after event Exemption for U18s
Coach Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising during breaks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising during breaks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising during breaks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awaiting clarification
Social Distancing	Social distancing to be maintained before, during and after activity for all activity across all levels			

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Indoor Snowsport

NO SNOWSPORT ACTIVITY TO TAKE PLACE IN TIER 4 AREAS

Summary	Activity Type	Tier 1 Medium	Tier 2 High	Tier 3 Very High
	Recreational Skiing & Snowboarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted Rule of 6 applies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted for same household only U18s and disabled groups are exempt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted other than for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> household / bubble U18s and disabled groups Travel Restrictions into and out of areas apply
	1:1 Coaching Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (coach and one household/bubble) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (coach with one household/bubble only) Travel restrictions into or out of area apply
	Group Lessons / Club Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted (adults & children) Group sizes in line with Covid controls (max 15 for children) and adults must be in subgroups of 6 which do not mix Coaches can run multiple subgroups No socialising before or after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted for adults U18s and disabled groups and for education purposes are exempt No socialising before or after 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted for adults U18s and disabled groups and for education purposes are exempt No socialising before or after Travel restrictions into or out of area apply
	Spectating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating to be minimised and avoided where possible Parent/guardian supervision permitted (one per child) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating to be minimised and avoided where possible Parent/guardian supervision permitted (one per child) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectating not allowed Parent/guardian supervision permitted (one per family group)
	Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted No socialising before or after event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted U18s and disabled groups and for education purposes are exempt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not permitted for adults Exemption for U18s, disability and education. Travel restrictions into or out of area apply
	Coach Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not to take place due to restrictions
	Social Distancing	Social distancing to be maintained before, during and after activity for all activity across all levels		

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Travel				
Activity Type	Tier 1 Medium	Tier 2 High	Tier 3 Very High	Tier 4 Stay at Home
Travel within area for snowsport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted You should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted You should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted You should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible
Travel into / out of area for snowsport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted to Tier 2 and other Tier 1 areas If travelling to a Tier 2 area, then follow Tier 2 rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted to Tier 1 and other Tier 2 areas If travelling to a Tier 1 area, then still need to follow Tier 2 rules You should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible Permitted for work (and voluntary) purposes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are advised not to travel into or out of tier 3 areas, including for sport, unless this is necessary to enable individual activity (or for people from the same household or support bubble). Where this is necessary you should only travel a short distance and stay as local as possible Travel is also permitted where it is necessary to enable sport for disabled people, sport for educational purposes, or supervised sport and physical activity for under-18s, to take place, but should still be minimised and kept to short distances only Can travel through as part of a longer journey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No travel into or out of affected area other than for legally permitted purposes. These include: - for work or education purposes (e.g. coaches, elite athletes, officials) – Stay at home (tier 4): If you live in a tier 4 area, you're able to leave your home for outdoor exercise. This should be done locally wherever possible, but you can travel a short distance within your tier 4 area to do so if necessary (for example, to access an open space). You should not leave your tier 4 area for sport and physical activity purposes (this includes under-18s and disabled people)

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Facilities				
Activity Type	Tier 1 Medium	Tier 2 High	Tier 3 Very High	Tier 4 Stay at Home
Bar / Café / Restaurant / Lodge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bars and pubs can remain open only if they operate as a restaurant serving substantial meals, such as a main lunchtime or evening meal and can only serve alcohol with food Restricted hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can open for only takeaways, click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can open for only takeaways, click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery services
Snowsport Centres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All facilities need to be Covid Secure Indoor – Open (for limited activity) Outdoor – Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All facilities need to be Covid Secure Indoor – Open (for limited activity) Outdoor – Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor – Open for limited activity Indoor – Closed Only toilets available No changing or kitting up indoors

Summary

EXEMPTION DEFINITIONS

Exemptions are in place for some groups, to permit additional indoor snowsport activity in Tier 2 and Tier 3 as well as travel to facilitate this, and additional outdoor snowsport activity in Tier 4 areas, with these groups defined as follows:

- Disabled people:** Sport for people with disabilities is exempt from legal gathering limits. This means that people with disabilities can take part in sport in any number (indoor and outdoor)
- Under 18's:** All supervised activity for children (including outside school) is exempt from legal gathering limits and can happen in any number. This includes organised team sports and all supervised sport and physical activity for under-18s. In a change from the pre-lockdown guidance, this now includes young people who were 17 at the start of the academic year, even if they turn 18 during the remainder of that year.
- Education:** Sport for the purpose of education is also exempt. This means that school sport such as PE, and curriculum-related sport for students in further and higher education (e.g. a student studying a sport course being able to practice), are exempt from legal gathering limits. However, for those who do not fall under the exemption below, this does not cover extra-curricular sport (such as playing for a college team) so these activities can only take place within the guidance set out above.