HEALTH ACT 1947 (SECTION 31A – TEMPORARY REQUIREMENTS) (COVID-19 PASSENGER LOCATOR FORM) (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2021
I, STEPHEN DONNELLY, Minister for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 5 and 31A (inserted by section 10 of the Health (Preservation and Protection and other Emergency Measures in the Public Interest) Act 2020 (No. 1 of 2020)) of the Health Act 1947 (No. 28 of 1947) and -

(a) having regard to the immediate, exceptional and manifest risk posed to human life and public health by the spread of Covid-19 and to the matters specified in subsection (2) of section 31A, and

(b) having consulted with the Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Minister for Justice and the Minister for Transport,

hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Requirements) (Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2021.


3. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 27th day of July 2021.

4. Regulation 1(3) of the Principal Regulations is amended by the substitution of “the 31st day of October 2021” for “the 31st day of August 2021”.

5. Regulation 2 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

(a) in the definition of “contact details”, by the insertion of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”;

(b) by the substitution of the following definition for the definition of “Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form”:

“Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form’ means -
(a) the form set out in the Schedule or a form to like effect made available electronically by the Health Service Executive, or

(b) a form to like effect as the form set out in the Schedule in such other language as is made available electronically by the Health Service Executive,

that may only be completed electronically;

(c) in the definition of “international passenger” -

(i) by the substitution of “person who is less than 18 years of age” for “child”, and

(ii) by the deletion of paragraphs (a) and (c),

(d) in the definition of “place of residence”, by the insertion of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”,

(e) in the definition of “PLF receipt” -

(i) by the insertion of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”, and

(ii) by the substitution of “him or her” for “the passenger”,

(f) in the definition of “relevant period”, by the insertion of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger” in each place where it occurs, and

(g) by the substitution of the following definition for the definition of “responsible adult”:

“responsible adult’ means, in relation to a person who is less than 18 years of age who arrives in the State after having been in a relevant state in the period of 14 days prior to the date on which he or she so arrives, an international passenger who is travelling with the person and who is responsible, alone or jointly with another international passenger, for that person for all or part of the journey by which the person arrives in the State.”.

6. Regulation 4 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

(a) by the substitution of the following paragraph for paragraph (1):

“(1) An international passenger shall -

(a) in the case of arrival in the State at a port or airport -

(i) not travel to the State without having completed, no more than 72 hours before travelling to the State, a Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form electronically in respect of himself or herself and, subject to
paragraph (2), any person who is less than 18 years of age in relation to whom he or she is a responsible adult, and

(ii) on arrival in the State at the port or airport, make the PLF receipt relating to himself or herself available to a relevant person when requested to do so by such relevant person,

and

(b) in the case of arrival in the State other than at a port or airport -

(i) before his or her arrival and no more than 72 hours before such arrival, complete a Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form electronically in respect of himself or herself and, subject to paragraph (2), any person who is less than 18 years of age in relation to whom he or she is a responsible adult,

(ii) retain the PLF receipt relating to himself or herself for a period of 14 days after so arriving, and

(iii) make the PLF receipt available to a member of the Garda Síochána when requested to do so by such member.”,

(b) in paragraph (2) -

(i) by the substitution of “paragraph (1)(a)(i) or (1)(b)(i)” for “paragraph (1)(a)(i)(II) or (1)(b)(i)(II)”, and

(ii) by the substitution of “person who is less than 18 years of age” for “child”,

and

(c) by the insertion of the following paragraph after paragraph (2):

“(2A) A person who –

(a) arrives in the State after having been in a relevant state in the period of 14 days prior to the date on which he or she so arrives,

(b) is more than 12 years of age and less than 18 years of age, and

(c) is not accompanied by a responsible adult,

shall -

(i) in the case of arrival in the State at a port or airport -
not travel to the State without having completed, no more than 72 hours before travelling to the State, a Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form electronically in respect of himself or herself, and

on arrival in the State at the port or airport, make the PLF receipt relating to himself or herself available to a relevant person when requested to do so by such relevant person, and

in the case of arrival in the State other than at a port or airport -

before his or her arrival and no more than 72 hours before such arrival, complete a Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form electronically in respect of himself or herself,

retain the PLF receipt relating to himself or herself for a period of 14 days after so arriving, and

make the PLF receipt available to a member of the Garda Síochána when requested to do so by such member.”.

Regulation 7 is amended by the insertion of the following paragraphs after paragraph (2):

“(3) A relevant person may, during a relevant period, contact a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4 by way of telephone call, text message or email using the contact details provided in the Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form completed by the person in order to provide the person with public health information relevant to the person concerned or general public health information in relation to Covid-19.

(4) Notwithstanding the generality of paragraph (3), a relevant person may, during a relevant period, contact a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4 whose place of residence is in Northern Ireland by way of telephone call, text message or email using the contact details provided in the Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form completed by the person in order to provide the person with public health information relevant to the person concerned.”.

Regulation 8 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

(a) in paragraph (1)(a) -

(i) in clause (i) -
(i) by the insertion of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”, and

(ii) by the insertion of “or person, as the case may be” after “such passenger”,

(ii) by the insertion of the following clause after clause (ii):

“(iii) recording and verifying information regarding whether or not a person -

(I) is an applicable traveller (within the meaning of section 38B(1) of the Act of 1947),

(II) is an exempted traveller (within the meaning of section 38B(25) of the Act of 1947),

(III) has a relevant test result (within the meaning of the Travel Regulations),

(IV) is a relevant traveller (within the meaning of the Travel Regulations), or

(V) is an exempted traveller (within the meaning of the Travel Regulations),”,

(iii) by the insertion, in clause (iii), of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”, and

(iv) by the insertion, in clause (iv), of “or a person referred to in paragraph (2A) of Regulation 4” after “international passenger”,

(b) in paragraph (3) -

(i) by the substitution of “relating to a person” for “relating to an international passenger”, and

(ii) by the substitution of “specified in respect of the person” for “specified by the international passenger”,

and

(c) in paragraph (6), by the insertion of the following definitions:

“‘Act of 1947’ means the Health Act 1947 (No. 28 of 1947);

‘Travel Regulations’ means the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A - Temporary Restrictions) (Covid-19) (Restrictions upon Travel to the State from Certain States) (No. 5) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 135 of 2021).”.
9. The Principal Regulations are amended by the insertion of the following Regulation after Regulation 9:

“Further transitional arrangements in relation to Covid-19 Passenger Locator Forms

10. Notwithstanding the amendments effected by the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Requirements) (Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 386 of 2021), these Regulations shall, in so far as they relate to a Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form within the meaning of these Regulations before those amendments were made, which was completed by an international passenger in accordance with these Regulations before those amendments were made, continue in operation for the relevant period in respect of the international passenger concerned where he or she -

(a) arrived in the State before the coming into operation of the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Requirements) (Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 386 of 2021), or

(b) arrives in the State during the period beginning on the 27th day of July 2021 and ending on the 9th day of August 2021.”.

10. The Principal Regulations are amended by the substitution of the Schedule to these Regulations for the Schedule to those Regulations.
Passenger Locator Form COVID-19

Fields marked with * are required

* 1. Contact number information

This information is gathered to verify the mobile number for the passenger. A one-time passcode is sent to the phone via text and the passenger must enter this code to proceed with completing the form. Passengers may receive public health information via their phone also.

*Your country code
*Mobile Number

* 2. Passenger Identity Details

If an adult passenger is including children on their passenger locator form, only the passport number of the adult is recorded. Passport number is not mandatory for UK or Irish Citizens travelling within the Common Travel Area (CTA).

*Are you a UK or Irish Citizen arriving from the United Kingdom?
Passport or National Identity Card number (EU/EEA Country only)
*First name
*Last name
*Date of birth
*Email address

Additional information for each child who is accompanied by this adult:
*First name
*Last name
*Date of birth
*3. How are you arriving?

By air
By sea

*3a. Arriving by Air

*Carrier
*Flight number
*Departure Date
*Country of Departure
*Arrival airport
*Arrival date
*Arrival Time
Seat number
Additional Countries visited in the last 14 days
Date of departure from Ireland (if within 14 days of arrival)

*Passengers must select whether they are:

Remaining in Ireland
In transit to Northern Ireland
In transit to a connecting flight

Are you on a day trip to Ireland and will not be staying overnight?

If remaining in Ireland

*Contact address whilst in Ireland?
*Address line 1
*Address line 2
Address line 3
*County
*Eircode/postcode

**If in transit to Northern Ireland:**

*Address line 1
*Address line 2
Address line 3
*County
*Postcode

**If in transit to a connecting flight:**

*Connecting flight number

**3b. Arriving by Sea**

*Sailing time
*Ferry company
*Country of departure
*Departure date
*Arrival port
*Arrival date
*Arrival time

Additional Countries visited in the last 14 days
Date of departure from Ireland (if within 14 days of arrival):
*Passengers must select whether they are:

Remaining in Ireland:
In transit to Northern Ireland

**If remaining in Ireland:**

*Contact address whilst in Ireland?*  
*Address line 1*  
*Address line 2*  
Address line 3  
*County*  
*Eircode/postcode*

**If in transit to Northern Ireland:**

*Address line 1*  
*Address line 2*  
Address line 3  
*County*  
*Postcode*

**4. Health Information**

Passengers are required to provide certain COVID-19 related health information to facilitate targeted public health messaging to people arriving into Ireland and to facilitate contact tracing. The following data is gathered:

**Passengers are asked to choose from one of the following options:**

Passenger has valid proof of vaccination against COVID-19
Passenger has relevant test result (RT-PCR)
Passenger has valid proof of recovery from COVID-19 in the 180 days prior to arrival in Ireland
Passenger is exempt from providing health information

If passenger declares they are fully vaccinated they will be required to provide the following supporting information:

*Vaccine Name (European Medicines Agency approved vaccines only)
*Date of most recent vaccination
*Do you have an EU Digital COVID Certificate or recognised equivalent?

If passenger declares they are travelling with evidence of a pre-departure RT-PCR Covid test taken no more than 72 hrs prior to arrival, OR positive RT-PCR Covid test result at least 11 days prior to arrival (and no more than 180 days), they will be required to provide the following supporting information

*I have received a COVID-19 RT-PCR Test (tick-box)
*Date of test
*Time of Test
*Country where passenger was tested
*Do you have an EU Digital COVID Certificate for an RT-PCR test or recognised equivalent? Yes/No

If the passenger declares they have recovered from COVID-19 within 180 days prior to arrival in Ireland, they will be required to provide the following supporting information:

Date of positive test
Do you have an EU Digital COVID Certificate or recognised equivalent? Yes/No
Do you have other valid proof of recovery?
If passenger declares they are exempt, they will be required to select from the following categories of passengers who are exempt from Covid-19 public health regulations:

Aircraft or maritime crew arriving in Ireland in the course of their duty.

A person travelling to Ireland pursuant to an arrest warrant, extradition proceedings or other mandatory legal obligation.

A member of An Garda Síochána, the Defence Forces or an equivalent body or organisation travelling to Ireland in the course of performing his or her duties.

A person travelling to Ireland for an unavoidable, imperative, and time-sensitive medical reason that is certified by a registered medical practitioner.

A person travelling for urgent humanitarian reasons, and who is in possession of a written confirmation from the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

An office holder appointed under any Act, the Constitution or member of either House of the Oireachtas or the European Parliament having performed these functions outside the State

Children aged 11 and under, as they do not require a Covid-19 test

*5. Declaration

The passenger completing the PLF is reminded of the penalties that apply for committing an offence under this regulation and is required to indicate the details provided are correct and accurate. The passenger can review the form before pressing the submit button. A new PLF can be submitted anytime up to the point of departure. The passenger must carry the PLF receipt with them and present this to airline staff or handling agents responsible for boarding aircraft or ferries.
Foirm Aimsithe Paisinéirí COVID-19

Ní mór réimsí atá marcáilte le * a chomhlánú

*1. Eolas sonrai teagmhála

Bailítear an t-eolas seo chun uimhir fón póca an phaisinéara a dheimhniú. Seoltar paschód aonuaire don fón trí théacs agus ní mór don phaisinéir an cód seo a chur isteach chun leanúint leis an bhfoirm a chomhlánú. Is féidir le paisinéirí eolas sláinte poiblí a fháil freisin ar an bhfón.

*Do chód tíre
* Uimhir Fón Póca

*2. Sonrai céannachta paisinéara

Má tá páistí á gcur san áireamh ar fhoirm aimsitheora paisinéirí de dhuine fásta, ní dhéantar ach uimhir phas an duine fásta a thaifeadadh. Ní sé éigeantach do Shaoránaigh Éireannacha nó ón Ríocht Aontaithe atá ag taisteal laistigh den Comhlimistéar Taisti (CT) uimhir phas a bheith acu.

*An Saoránach Éireannach nó ón Ríocht Aontaithé thú atá ag teacht ón RA?
Uimhir Phas nó uimhir Chárta Náisiúnta Aitheantais (Tíortha AE/LEE amháin)
*Céad ainm
*Sloinne
*Dáta breithe
*Seoladh ríomhphoist

Eolas breise do gach páiste atá ag taisteal leis an duine fásta seo:
*Céad ainm
*Sloinne
*Dáta breithe
*3. **Conas atá tú ag teacht isteach:**

Ar eitleán
Ar muir

*3a. **Ag teacht ar eitleán**

*Aerlíne*
*Uimhir eitilte*
*Dáta Imeachta*
*Tír Imeachta*
*Aerfort isteach*
*Dáta isteach*
*Am Isteach*

Uimhir do shuíocháin
Tíortha breise ina rabhthas le 14 lá anuas
Dáta imeachtá ó Éirinn (más laistigh de 14 lá ó tháinig tú isteach sa tír)

*Ní mór do phaisinéirí a roghnú má tá siad:*

Ag fanacht in Éirinn
Ar an mbealach go dtí Tuaisceart Éireann
Ar an mbealach chun nasceitilt a fháil
"An bhfuil tú ar thuras lae gan fanacht thar oíche a bheith mar rún agat?"

**Má tá tú ag fanacht in Éirinn**

*Seoladh teagmhála don am a bheidh tú in Éirinn?*
*Seoladh líne 1*
*Seoladh líne 2*
*Seoladh líne 3*
*Contae*
*Éirchód/cód poist*
Má tá tú ar an mbealach go dtí Tuaisceart Éireann:

*Séoladh líne 1
*Séoladh líne 2
*Séoladh líne 3
*Contae
*Éirchód/cód poist

Má tá tú ar an mbealach chun nasceitilt a fháil:

*Uimhir nasceitilte

*3b. Ag teacht ar Muir

*Am seolta
*Cuideachta Farantóireachta
*Tír imeachta
*Dáta imeachta
*Calafort isteach
*Dáta isteach
*Am isteach

Tíortha breise ina rabhthas le 14 lá anuas
Dáta imeachta ó Éirinn (más laistigh de 14 lá ó tháinig tú isteach sa tír):

*Ní mór do phaisinéirí a roghnú má tá síad:

Ag fanacht in Éirinn:
Ar an mbealach go dtí Tuaisceart Éireann
Má tá tú ag fanacht in Éirinn:

*Seoladh teagmhála don am a bheidh tú in Éirinn?
*Seoladh líne 1
*Seoladh líne 2
*Seoladh líne 3
*Contae
*Éirchód/cód poist

Má tá tú ar an mbealach to dtí Tuaisceart Éireann

*Seoladh líne 1
*Seoladh líne 2
*Seoladh líne 3
*Contae
*Cód poist

4. Fáisnéis Sláinte

Ní mór do phaisinéirí faisnéís sláinte áirithe a bhaíneann le COVID-19 a sholáthar chun teachtaireachtaí sláinte poiblí d'éasú do dhaoine atá ag teacht isteach in Éirinn agus chun rianú teagmhálaithe a éascú. Bailítear na sonraí a leanas:

Iarrtar ar phaisinéirí rogha a dhéanamh ó na roghanna a leanas:

Tá cruthúnas bailí vacsaínithe i gcóinne COVID-19 ag an bpaisinéir
Tá toradh tástála ábhartha (RT-PCR) ag an bpaisinéir
Tá cruthúnas bailí ag an bpaisinéir go bhfuil téarnamh d'éanta aige/aici ó COVID-19 le linn na 180 lá roimh dó/di teacht isteach in Éirinn
Tá díolúine ag an bpaisinéir maidir le faisnéís sláinte a sholáthar
Má dhearbhaíonn paisínéir go bhfuil siad vacsánithe go hiomlán, iarrfar orthu an fhaisnéis tacaíochta a leanas a sholáthar:

*Ainm Vacsánín (vacsáíní atá faofa ag an nGníomhaireacht Leigeasra Eorpach amháin)
*Dáta an vacsánitithe is deireanaí
*An bhfuil Teastas Digiteach AE COVID agat nó teastas coibhéiseach?

Má dhearbhaíonn paisínéir go bhfuil siad ag taisteal le fianaise go ndearnadh tástaíl RT-PCR Covid diúltach réamh-imeachta orthu laistigh de 72 uair roimh dóibh teacht isteach, Nó le toradh Covid RT-PCR dearfach a rinneadh ar a laghad 11 lá roimh dóibh teacht isteach sa tír (agus gan a bheith níos mó ná 180 lá), iarrfar orthu an fhaisnéis tacaíochta a leanas a sholáthar:

*Bá Tástáil RT-PCR COVID-19 faighte agam (ticbhosca)
**Dáta tástála
*Am tástála
*An tír ina ndearnadh tástáil ar an bpaisínéir
*An bhfuil Teasaitas Digiteach COVID AE le haghaidh tástála RT-PCR agat nó teastas coibhéiseach? Tá/Níl

Má dhearbhaíonn an paisínéir go bhfuil téarnamh déanta acu ó COVID-19 le linn na 180 lá roimh dóibh teacht isteach in Éirinn, iarrfar orthu an fhaisnéis tacaíochta a leanas a sholáthar:

Dáta tástála dearfáí do NAAT (RT-PCR san áireamh)
An bhfuil Teasaitas Digiteach COVID AE agat nó teastas coibhéiseach? Tá/Níl
An bhfuil aon fhaisnéis oiriúnaigh go bhfuil téarnamh déanta agat?

Má dhearbhaíonn paisínéir go bhfuil diolúine acu, iarrfar orthu roghnú ó na catagóirí a leanas de phhasinéirí a bhfuil diolúine acu maidir le rialacháin sláinte poiblí Covid-19:
Criú eitleáin nó muirí atá ag teacht isteach in Éirinn i mbun a gcuid dualgas oibre.

Duine atá ag taisteal go hÉirinn de bhun barántas gabhála, imeachtaí eiseachadta nó oibleagáidí dlíthúla éigeantacha eile.

Comhalta den Ghrada Síochána, Óglaigh na hÉireann nó comhlacht nó eagraíocht choibéiseach atá ag taisteal go hÉirinn i mbun a chuid dualgas oibre.

Duine atá ag taisteal go hÉirinn as cúis leighis atá dosheachanta, bunriachtanach agus am-íogair, agus go bhfuil sé seo deimhnithe ag cleachtóir leighis cláraithe.

Duine atá ag taisteal as cúiseanna práinneacha daonnúla, agus a bhfuil deimhniú scófia ón Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha ina s(h)eilbh aige/aici.

Sealbhóir oifige a ceapadh faoi Acht ar bith, faoin mBunreacht nó comhalta de cheachtar de Thithe an Oireachtais nó de Pharlaínt na hEorpa, tar éis dó/di a bheith i mbun dualgas oibre lasmuigh den Stát.

Páistí atá 11 bliain d'aois nó níos óige, mar nach gá dóibh tástáil Covid-19 a fháil.

*5. Dearbhú*

Meabhraítear don phaisinéir atá ag comhlánú an FAP na píonóis a bhaineann le cion a dhéanamh faoin rialachán seo, agus ní mór dó/di a chur in iúl go bhfuil na sonraí atá curtha ar fáil ceart agus cruinn. Is féidir leis an bpaisinéir an fhoirm a athbhreithniú roimh dó/di an cnaipe ‘cur isteach’ a bhrú. Is féidir FAP nua a chur isteach aon am suas to dtí an poine imeachta. Ní mór don phaisinéir an adhmháil FAP a choimeád leis/léi agus é a thaispeáint d’fhóirreann na haerlíne nó do na gníomhairí láimhseála atá freagrach as bordáil na n-eitleán nó na mbád farantóireachta.
GIVEN under my Official Seal,

STEPHEN DONNELLY,
Minister for Health.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)


These Regulations provide for amendments to the requirement that international passengers travelling to the State (including via Northern Ireland) from overseas complete the COVID-19 Passenger Locator Form (PLF).