STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

S.I. No. 212 of 2020

HEALTH ACT 1947 (SECTION 31A – TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) (COVID-19) (NO. 2) (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2020
The Minister for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him 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 Public Expenditure and Reform and the Minister for Justice and Equality,

hereby makes the following regulations:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Restrictions) (Covid-19) (No. 2) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2020.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 15th day of June 2020.

2. Regulation 7(3) of the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Restrictions) (Covid-19) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 206 of 2020) is amended by the substitution of the following subparagraph for subparagraph (c):

“(c) the use of a premises, or part of a premises, for the purposes of -

(i) a meeting of a local authority (within the meaning of the Act of 2001),

(ii) a sitting of one or both Houses of the Oireachtas or a committee thereof (within the meaning of section 2 of the Houses of the Oireachtas (Inquiries, Privileges and Procedures) Act 2013 (No. 33 of 2013)), or

(iii) a meeting of a political party registered in the Register of Political Parties (within the meaning of Part III of the Electoral Act 1992 (No. 23 of 1992)) or a meeting of a parliamentary party of such political party.”.
GIVEN under the Official Seal,  
of the Minister for Health,  

SIMON HARRIS,  
Minister for Health.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the provisions of Regulation 7(3) of the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A - Temporary Restrictions) (Covid-19) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 206 of 2020), as amended, to allow the use of premises in Schedule 2 of the Regulations for meetings of registered political parties (including parliamentary parties of those parties).
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