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EMERGENCY POWERS (CORONAVIRUS) (GENERAL PROVISION) (BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY) (NO 4) REGULATIONS, 2020.

These regulations were approved by the States of Deliberation on the 15th July 2020 under the Emergency Powers legislation and, in accordance with the Civil Contingencies (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2012, section 16 will have effect for 30 days or until such other time as may be specified in the regulations.

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Part I - screening, assessment and powers to detain etc.

This Part places a requirement to self-isolate on persons arriving in the Bailiwick, enables the Medical Officer of Health to place restrictions and requirements on other persons who are or who may be infected with coronavirus, and makes provision in respect of related matters, including powers for the Medical Officer of Health to impose screening requirements, to detain people and to keep people in isolation. The provisions also create criminal offences and confer powers of enforcement on police officers, and provide for applications to vary or revoke requirements or restrictions imposed under this part to be made to the Royal Court.

Regulation 14 allows the Chief Health and Safety Officer ("the Chief Officer") to grant a certificate disapplying the requirements for examination, testing and inspection set out in regulation 14 and Schedule 2 in respect of equipment or occupier's installation (as the case may be) specified in an application. A certificate may only be given where the Chief Officer is of the opinion that the disapplication will not prejudice the safety of any person operating the equipment etc. or any other person likely to be affected by its operation. The certificate may only disapply the relevant requirement for a period of up to 30 days, and may not disapply any other health and safety requirement (and, in particular, the requirement to keep the equipment etc. in a safe condition and good working order).

Regulation 16 enables the Court of Appeal to conduct its proceedings remotely, and enables a Judge of Appeal to be sworn into office by the Royal Court constituted by the Bailiff sitting alone.

Regulation 17 empowers the Medical Officer of Health to exercise her powers to require schools to take measures to prevent the spread of infection in Sark, and provide, for the avoidance of doubt, that such measures may include the immediate closure of any school. The Regulation will cease to have effect on 18th July 2020 – the day after the last day of the summer term.

Regulation 18 provides for the Committee for the Environment & Infrastructure to permit the cutting and collecting of seaweed when this would otherwise be prohibited (so facilitating the on-Island manufacture of sanitising gels). The Regulation will cease to have effect on 16th July 2020 – the day on which the permanent statutory seasonal prohibition expires.