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Key points:

- UK figures: 3,105 new coronavirus cases and a further 27 deaths, compared with 2,621 yesterday.
- New restrictions come into force in Birmingham.

WHAT ARE THE LATEST LOCKDOWN RULES FROM MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2020:

- New restrictions come into force in Birmingham as infections "rising fast" in city. New restrictions, which include banning households from meeting each other, have come into force following a spike in coronavirus cases in the city. The new rules also apply to Sandwell and Solihull in the West Midlands. People in Birmingham, Sandwell and Solihull can no longer mix with different households indoors or in private gardens, except those in a support bubble.
- For those communities not in local lockdown, from Monday 14 September, you must not meet with people from other households socially in groups of more than 6. This will apply indoors and outdoors, including in private homes.

<u>Q&A</u>

Can I visit people indoors?

Yes. There is a legal limit on the number of people you don't live with you are able to meet. When meeting with people you don't live with, you can socialise in groups of up to 6.

You should continue to maintain social distancing with anyone you do not live with.

Can I use public transport?

You can help control coronavirus and travel safely by walking and cycling, if you can. However where this is not possible, you can use public transport or drive. If you do use public transport, you must wear a face covering and you should follow the safer travel guidance for passengers.

Are children counted in the group of 6?

In England, yes.

Can I share a private vehicle with someone from another household?

You should try not to share a vehicle with those outside your household or social bubble. If you need to, try to:

- > share the transport with the same people each time.
- keep to small groups of people of up to the legal limit of 6 people (for large minibuses or coaches) at any one time.
- > open windows for ventilation.
- travel side by side or behind other people, rather than facing them, where seating arrangements allow.

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- ➢ face away from each other.
- > consider seating arrangements to maximise distance between people in the vehicle.
- clean your car between journeys using standard cleaning products make sure you clean door handles and other areas that people may touch.

For further Q&A please go to the link below:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do

For the latest information in Scotland please go to:

www.gov.scot/

For the latest information in Wales please go to: https://gov.wales/coronavirus-regulations-guidance

For the latest information in Northern Ireland please go to: https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-advice

For more helpful information please see links below:

World Health Organisation : www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus UK government: www.gov.uk/coronavirus Fortel Group: www.fortel.co.uk/covid19 NHS: www.111.nhs/covid-19 Travel guidance: www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors Mental Health: www.mind.org.uk/information-support/types-of-mental-health-problems/ www.lighthouseclub.org/construction-industry-helpline/ Finance: www.understandinguniversalcredit.gov.uk/employment-and-benefits-support/ Advice: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/if-you-cant-pay-your-bills-because-of-coronavirus/

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