

Take Care *together*

Indoor Hospitality

Indoor hospitality can open with robust protective measures and adherence to Government regulations in relation to evidence of COVID-19 vaccination or immunity following recovery.



Proof of Immunity

Only those who have proof of immunity can avail of indoor hospitality – this is legislated for under the Health (Amendment)(No.2) Act 2021.

This will typically be the EU Digital COVID Certificate, visit gov.ie for more information on the EU Digital COVID Certificate.

Customers may also be asked to show photo ID to prove that the EU Digital COVID Certificate is theirs.

Businesses will have access to an online scanner to scan the QR code on EU Digital COVID Certificate.

Businesses may refuse access where people cannot offer proof of vaccination or recovery or cannot demonstrate that their EU Digital COVID Certificate relates to them. If businesses do not operate on this basis, they may be liable for fines or closure.



Contact Tracing

The lead customer or solo customer at a table will be required to provide contact tracing details. Contact name and telephone number are required and will be securely retained for 28 days and will be compliant with GDPR. Regulation 13 of the Health Act 1947 (Section 31A – Temporary Restrictions) (COVID-19) (No. 2) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 217 of 2021).



Service

Customers can avail of both table service and service from a counter (e.g. bars, carvery, self service or buffet). Food and beverage must be consumed while seated at a table.

A maximum of 10 adults and up to 5 minors (under 18) can be seated at a table.

Organised indoor events are permitted where all patrons are immune (fully vaccinated or recovered from COVID-19 within previous 6 months), or accompanied minors (under 18). It is important that businesses check photo ID when checking Proof of Immunity. There are some limited circumstances when this may not be necessary e.g. where a person is well-known to the business. Unaccompanied minors are required to present Proof of Immunity. There is no time limit for tables, other than where one is required by the business.



Safety Precautions

People are reminded of the need to continue to practice good hand hygiene, wearing of face coverings other than when seated and physical distancing. The public health advice is that outdoors is safer than indoors.

All individuals and businesses will need to continue to monitor the ongoing risk from the disease and take personal responsibility as they take steps individually and collectively in their everyday lives to keep this risk under control.

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