

Media Release

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Lateral flow testing for 'blue' arrivals from the UK, Jersey, Ireland and IoM to end on 20 October

From the 20 October, it will no longer be a requirement for those travelling into the Bailiwick from the Common Travel Area as 'blue' arrivals to purchase and complete a course of lateral flow tests.

The Civil Contingencies Authority has agreed this, although it stresses that in the unlikely event that the situation seriously deteriorates before the 20 October, it will review this decision.

The CCA had previously advised that it would keep the use of lateral flow testing for 'blue' arrivals under review for a further month. However it has revisited the topic and made the decision to announce this date earlier to enable people, particularly those organising group travel, to make their plans, mindful that half-term is at the end of this month.

There will be no change to the PCR testing requirements for arrivals from Red-list countries or the rest of the world, which remain as set out under the new rules for 4 October when the Bailiwick will move to align its travel rules more closely to the UK's, as part of Step 3 of the Bailiwick Blueprint (the new travel rules can be found at <https://covid19.gov.gg/guidance/travel/October>).