

## COVID-19

### **Guidance for individuals and employers with employment permits.**

With the current restrictions on travel and the other impacts of Covid-19 it is important to create the flexibility so that everyone can do the jobs that need to be done regardless of their employment status.

The following changes are being made temporarily so that individuals can stay and work within the community.

#### **Employment Permits (Short, Medium and Long Term)**

Individuals who find themselves unemployed or with only part timework may be worried that they will lose their employment permit.

The Civil Contingencies Authority has passed regulations to enable individuals holding an employment permit to continue to have the lawful right to remain in Guernsey, subject to the certain conditions initially for a period of 30 days, but this is likely to be extended.

Individuals who find that they are unemployed or on reduced hours do not need to seek permission from the Population Management Office to look for alternative or additional employment.

If you have a permit and you are affected in this way please contact [population@gov.gg](mailto:population@gov.gg) providing your name, date of birth, contact details and explain what has changed in your circumstances e.g. no longer employed at..., now working at... /looking for work.

#### **Short Term Permit Holders doing a 9/3 pattern**

If you are the holder of a Short Term Employment Permit working a 9/3 pattern approaching your 3 month break, you do not have to leave the Island at this time.

You are asked to contact [population@gov.gg](mailto:population@gov.gg) providing your name, date of birth and details of your circumstances.

If you do intend to leave the Island please be aware of the possible restrictions in place in destination and the restrictions on returning to the Bailiwick.

#### **Employment Permits (Short, Medium and Long Term) approaching their cap**

If you are coming to the end of your employment permit and because of the current restrictions on travel wish to remain in the Bailiwick please contact [population@gov.gg](mailto:population@gov.gg) providing your name, date of birth and details of your current circumstances.

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If you call the Population Management Office you will be directed to [population@gov.gg](mailto:population@gov.gg), please leave a message and your contact details, if possible an email address and someone will be in contact.