

Coronavirus – further changes to quarantine restrictions

The Scottish Government has announced that in a new move travellers from Liechtenstein must quarantine on arrival in Scotland for 14 days from 4am on Sunday 25 October 2020.

This is due to a significant rise in cases of coronavirus as well as an increase in the numbers of cases testing positive in Liechtenstein as well as the associated risk of importation into Scotland.

However, in a relaxation from Sunday, travellers arriving from the Canary Islands, Denmark, the Maldives and the Greek island of Mykonos will no longer need to quarantine due to the low number of cases.

Justice Secretary Humza Yousaf said: “I cannot stress enough, that lifting quarantine restrictions on some destinations, in line with the public health data we have received, is not a green light that it is safe to book foreign travel.

“We are still in the middle of a global pandemic and all travel carries a risk. The volatility of the virus means that there is no guarantee that exempt countries or regions will remain on this list in future weeks. People should keep this in mind if they decide to book travel abroad.

“Imposing quarantine restrictions on those arriving in the UK is our first defence in managing the risk of imported cases

from communities with high risks of transmission and it is vital that we use these measures in our efforts to suppress the virus.

“We will continue to have regular discussions with the other three governments in the UK.”