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## Change Notification UK National Blood Services No. 06 - 2021

### Coronavirus Infection

#### These changes apply to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines

Please amend the following sections in this entry:

#### 3. Person requiring isolation or quarantine after travel

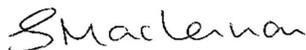
*Includes:* Donors required to isolate or quarantine after travel.  
Donors who have returned from a quarantine country but are exempt from quarantine due to their job.

*Excludes:* Donors with symptoms of Coronavirus infection (see above).

*Obligatory:* **Must not donate if:**  
a) Less than ~~14~~ 10 days from the first day of isolation or quarantine.  
b) Less than ~~14~~ 10 days from the date of return to the UK for a donor who is exempt from quarantine for job purposes.

*Discretionary:* If it is at least ~~14~~ 10 days since the first day of isolation or quarantine and the donor remains well, accept.

*Reason for change:* ~~Entry updated to include all vaccines currently approved for the UK COVID-19 vaccination programme.~~  
The obligatory deferral for donors required to quarantine after travel has been reduced from 14 days to 10 days, in line with current UK government quarantine requirements.



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