

BRITISH FASHION COUNCIL

London Fashion Week September 2021 Self-Isolation Exemption

DRAFT GUIDANCE - SUBJECT TO FURTHER UPDATES

Purpose

This guide explains how individuals from [amber list countries](#) that are not double vaccinated under a UK, EU or US approved vaccination programme can apply for a one-off quarantine exemption to support September 2021's London Fashion Week (LFW). Individuals that are not [fully vaccinated arriving from Amber List countries](#) must self-isolate in their accommodation and can only leave to conduct specific work activities relating to shows and productions on-schedule at September 2021's London Fashion Week (LFW). **Work or events not relating to productions on-schedule at September LFW is not permissible.**

LFW will run from 17th September to 21st September 2021.

Scope

- The exemption is for Amber list countries only
- The exemption is for those not double vaccinated with an MHRA approved vaccine
- The permit exempts individuals from mandatory self-isolation to travel to workplaces for LFW only
- When not working all exempt individuals must self-isolate in their accommodation
- The exemption is for England only, the Devolved Administrations will not implement comparable exemptions
- The exemption will cover from the 5th September to 22nd September 2021 only
- The number of exemptions is restricted to a maximum of 130 international travellers. It covers a small number of roles critical to LFW events where world-leading talent cannot be sourced locally. Applicants must be able to evidence that their role is critical to LFW.

Requirements for those applying & agreement to comply

- Exempt individuals must not use public transport and will need to organise private transport to and from the airport and to and from the accommodation to workplaces.
- Exempt individuals can only leave isolation to travel for work purposes at LFW and will be asked to sign an agreement to say that they will stay in accommodation and share the details of their pre-booked accommodation with the BFC.
- Exempt individuals will be expected to complete Passenger Locator Form and Negative Pre-Departure Test prior to departure.
- Exempt individuals will be required to take daily lateral flow tests in addition to those tests already required for travellers from amber list countries (pre-departure, day two and day eight PCR).
- BFC and DCMS should be able to contact individuals at any point.

How to apply

The British Fashion Council (BFC) is responsible for identifying and providing an initial assessment of individual applications, with DCMS approval.

To apply, a production company or agency or individuals should email travelexemption@britishfashioncouncil.com with the form in Annex 1 ([available here](#)) by Friday 3rd September 2021 to demonstrate the following information:

1. Proof of activity: the role you will be carrying out (e.g. model, photographer etc.); how you will be working in connection with LFW and the events you will be attending; explanation of why your role is integral to the production; and confirmation that the activity is in line with relevant Covid-secure London Fashion Week Guidance and a full risk assessment has been completed ([available here](#)).
2. Arrival and departure dates and points of entry/exit
3. Agreement to comply: confirmation that you will adhere to relevant government and LFW Covid secure guidance including that you will remain within a workplace 'bubble' for ten days, will comply with the required PCR testing regime from Amber list countries, will take daily lateral flow tests, and will be required to self-isolate in your place of accommodation apart from when undertaking a work assignment, and travelling to and from your work assignments.

Applications that are not completed on the required form or received after Friday 3rd September 2021 date will not be considered.

Once the BFC has verified that the applicant meets the criteria above, they will recommend the applicant to the Department for Digital, Culture Media and Sport (DCMS) for approval, including how they satisfy the criteria above. **All applications will be reviewed and informed within 5 days.**

Once DCMS approves the applicant, BFC will issue a confirmation letter to the applicant or production company or agency directly with step-by-step instructions. Those travelling under the exemption will be required to bring the letter issued by the BFC explaining their role and how they will be working in connection with LFW.

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