



Ministry
of Justice

The Right Honourable
Robert Buckland QC MP
Lord Chancellor & Secretary of
State for Justice

Tracey Stone,
Certificated Enforcement Agents Association

By email

5 November 2020

Dear Tracey,

**GUIDANCE REGARDING TAKING CONTROL OF GOODS
DURING THE NATIONAL RESTRICTIONS IN ENGLAND**

Following the announcement by the Prime Minister about the implementation of national restrictions in England to reduce the spread of Coronavirus from 5 November, I am writing to request that you ask your members to adhere to the following guidance regarding taking control of goods while the measures are in place.

During the time when restrictions are in force under the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020, I would request that in addition to the ongoing requirement for your members to adhere to the Government's Covid-secure guidance for enforcement agents, that they also do not enter residential properties in England for the purpose of enforcement by taking control of goods.

As you will appreciate, this is a rapidly changing situation and we will continue to keep our approach under review in order to ensure it remains responsive and proportionate.

I am grateful for the continued support and cooperation of the Association in these matters.

I am writing in similar terms to the High Court Enforcement Officers Association and CIVEA.

Yours sincerely

RT HON ROBERT BUCKLAND QC MP