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## Clarity over impact of 'rule of six' on group day trips & holidays

Tourism associations and trade bodies have moved to clarify that restrictions banning gatherings of no more than six people do not prevent distanced coach tours or group visits.

The Coach Tourism Association (CTA) told GLT magazine that the Department for Transport had confirmed that the rule doesn't have any impact on the number of people who can be carried on a vehicle and that operators should continue to follow the Safer Transport Guidance for Operators.

CTA chair John Wales said: "It is a huge relief for the coaching industry that can now carry on with its UK tour programmes and day tours for this autumn and winter."

Group organiser, Lin Wilson of Solent Events & Leisure recently took a group on holiday to the Isle of Wight and said it was a huge success, even taking into account various safety measures.



She said: "The new 'rule of six' didn't affect us too much, as we were in small groups/bubbles anyway. Everyone said it was the best tonic they'd had for six months."

This information was correct at the time of going to press; stay up to date with the latest developments at groupleisureandtravel.com