BN 167-04-20 Coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions: extension to licence validity

Following the introduction of the current government restrictions due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis, the IRSE has granted a six month extension to the validity of licence categories where the 'valid until' date falls between 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2020.

Licence cards will not be re-issued showing the extension, so licence holders may need to make employers and clients aware of this briefing note.

Licence validity may be checked with the IRSE Licensing team by email or telephone, to provide details of category expiry dates to support acceptance of expired licence categories.

Employers and clients are reminded that licences only form a part of their competence management system and that they have responsibility for the continuous competence of their staff.