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Catalonia keeps COVID restrictions, some ski slopes postpone opening

Barcelona.—The Spanish region of Catalonia will not relax coronavirus restrictions on Monday as originally planned because of worsening infection rates, officials said, prompting some ski slopes to postpone their planned opening next week.

The winter skiing season has become a source of tension among European countries, with some allowing resorts to open and others, like Spain's neighbour France, banning it and planning border checks to stop people from crossing the border to ski. In Catalonia, a northeastern Spanish region that borders France, public ski resorts had planned to open after a Dec. 8

bank holiday. But these ski slopes will not open until Catalonia relaxes its coronavirus restrictions, among other conditions, said a spokeswoman from FGC, the public company that operates the resorts.

Privately-owned ski slopes in Catalonia have not yet decided whether to open, said a spokeswoman from the regional federation of ski resorts.

Baqueira Beret, Spain's largest ski station, which is in private hands, is sticking to its plan to open on Dec. 11 but that is subject to change awaiting clarification from the Catalan government, a spokesman said.

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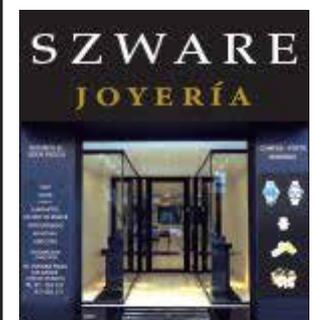
● The Balearic government has ruled out the addition of a fifth day over the festive period when

there will be slight relaxations of the current coronavirus measures. Page 3

Puerto Pollensa had hottest November

Pollensa.—Puerto Pollensa enjoyed its warmest November in sixty years, according to the Palma Met Office. The average temperature for the whole month was 17 degrees Centigrade. Across Majorca the average temperature was 15.9 Centigrade.

The hottest day of the month was November 6 on Majorca when a temperature of 25.9 was registered.



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