

Victorian Freight and Logistics Industry COVID-19 update

29 November 2021

No domestic permits required for entry into Victoria

From 6pm on 25 November, domestic travellers were no longer required to hold a permit to enter Victoria from another Australian state or territory to visit, work, transit, or for cross-border residents.

Interstate travellers must follow all [directions](#) in place while they are in Victoria, for example the full vaccination requirement for port and freight workers, maritime crew and warehousing and distribution workers that came into effect on 26 November.

Remember that anyone experiencing any [symptoms of COVID-19](#), must get tested at one of the many [testing sites](#) across Victoria straight away.

Notification obligations of an operator of a work premises

A worker must notify their workplace immediately if they are diagnosed with COVID-19 and were infectious in the workplace. The operator of the workplace must then notify workers who were present in the same indoor space as the diagnosed worker that they:

- May have been exposed to COVID-19
- Must undertake a COVID-19 PCR test within 24 hours and self-quarantine till they receive a negative result
- Must notify the operator of their test result.

The operator must also inform all workers to test and quarantine if they have any symptoms of COVID-19. Operators are also obliged to contact [WorkSafe Victoria](#) to report the confirmed case.

Workplaces will be expected to self-manage COVID-19 exposures, although if five or more cases occur within a week it is recommended to notify the Department of Health.

For more information on managing a confirmed case in the workplace visit the [Coronavirus website](#).

Updated directions

The Chief Health Officer directions have been reissued:

- [Victorian Border Crossing Permit Directions \(No 41\)](#) – reference to green, orange and red zones and the requirement for obtaining permits for domestic travellers have been removed. International passengers from extreme risk countries, such as southern African countries, cannot enter Victoria. Arrivals from other countries are required to quarantine for 72 hours. International air crew also have new quarantine requirements.
- [Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions \(No 35\)](#) – definitions have been updated including the period of self-isolation for a diagnosed case is 10 days after they undertook the PCR test that gave a positive result. Self-quarantine for household contacts of a diagnosed person is seven days from when they tested positive.
- [Open Premises Directions \(No 7\)](#) – outlines very few indoor and outdoor capacity limitations.
- [Stay Safe Directions \(Victoria\) \(No 30\)](#) – outlines mask wearing requirements in public indoor spaces of healthcare premises and provides further definition of those premises.
- [Workplace Directions \(No 57\)](#) – provides further detail on operator of premises obligations for notifying workers of a positive case.
- [Workplace \(Additional Industry Obligations\) Directions \(No 58\)](#) – outlines mask use in care facilities.

All the latest directions can be found on the [Department of Health website](#).



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