

## BULLETIN: 51/2021

### CHANGES TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS THIS WEEK

The Victorian Government [has announced](#) the lockdown will be lifted state-wide from 11:59pm tonight, Tuesday 27 July.

However, everyone needs to remain vigilant to stay on top of the highly infectious Delta variant. That means COVIDSafe behaviours are crucial:

- Make sure everyone checks in everywhere, every time
- Wear your mask correctly – covering your mouth and nose
- [Get tested](#) if you are ill
- Update your COVIDSafe Plan (check your [COVID Marshal](#) requirements)
- Support your workers to [get vaccinated](#) when they're eligible.

For a detailed overview of the changes, see the updated [Table of Restrictions](#). Here is a high-level summary:

#### Overview of restrictions across Victoria from 11.59pm on Tuesday 27 July

- Victorians will be able to leave their homes for any reason.
- Masks will continue to be required indoors and outdoors (except at home) unless an exception applies.
- The Authorised Worker List will no longer apply, meaning businesses and venues can reopen using measures such as patron caps, COVID Check-in Marshals and density limits of 1 person per 4sqm.
- Restaurants and cafes can reopen for seated service.
- Retail, beauty and personal care will open in line with density limits, as will entertainment venues and community facilities.
- Live music venues, dance classes and physical recreation facilities, including gyms, will all open with density requirements of 1 person per 4sqm.
- If you can work from home, you should work from home but up to 25 per cent of workers can return to the office or up to 10 people, whichever is greater.
- People can visit ski fields again, but due to the higher risk in these settings entry to Victoria's alpine resorts will require a COVID-19 test and receipt of a negative result within 72 hours prior to visiting. Children under 12 years of age are not required to be tested.
- Gatherings in the home are still not permitted. People will only be able to book accommodation with their household, intimate partner or single bubble person.

## Changes to border restrictions

Changes will also be made to tighten Victoria's cross-border bubble with NSW. The City of Wagga Wagga, Hay Shire Council, Lockhart Shire Council and Murrumbidgee Council will no longer be included in the [cross-border bubble](#).

These local government areas will be included under the Extreme Risk Zone from 11:59pm 27 July, in line with the rest of NSW, and residents will need a [Specified Worker Permit](#), transit permit, or an exemption to enter Victoria.

For more information go to [coronavirus.vic.gov.au](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au).

Regards

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