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UPDATED COVID-19 MANDATORY VACCINATION (WORKERS) DIRECTIONS

The COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination (Workers) Directions have been updated and the latest COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination (Workers) Directions (No. 2) can be found at <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19>.

The requirements for Councils under the Directions have been clarified and now includes the following section:

- **local government worker** means:
 - a Chief Executive Officer within the meaning of the **Local Government Act 2020**;
 - a member of Council staff appointed under section 48 of the **Local Government Act 2020**;
- **public sector worker** means:
 - a Ministerial officer employed under section 98 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**;
 - a local government worker; or
 - a person who is a public sector employee within the meaning of the **Public Administration Act 2004**, except:
 - i. a person who is a member of the staff of Court Services Victoria within the meaning of the **Court Services Victoria Act 2014**;
 - ii. a parliamentary officer within the meaning of the **Parliamentary Administration Act 2004**; or
 - iii. a person employed or engaged by the Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

From Friday 15 October 2021, this means any worker (including any local government worker) who meets the above definition is required to provide evidence of one of the following to their employer, to be permitted to leave their home for work:

- received at least their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, or
- a booking to receive their first dose by 22 October, or
- a valid [medical exemption](#).

Evidence of vaccination status can include:

- Immunisation history statement available from Medicare, certificate of immunisation or an immunisation history statement obtained from the [Australian Immunisation Register](#) or from the vaccination provider
- [MyGov COVID-19 digital certificate](#)
- My Health Record and Medicare online account
- Certificate of immunisation obtained from the [Australian Immunisation Register](#)
- Proof of relevant medical exemption (e.g. a letter from a GP)

Regards

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