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Changes to Restrictions

Premier Daniel Andrews has announced the further easing of restrictions in Victoria from 11.59pm on Sunday 6 December. The following is a high-level summary of some of the key changes. For more detail on these changes, please see the Summary of COVIDSafe Summer Restrictions.

Victoria’s COVIDSafe Summer - changes to how we live

From 11:59pm on Sunday 6 December:

- Victorians can host up to 30 people in their home per day. Outdoor gatherings in public places can increase to 100.
- Everyone should carry a mask at all times, and they are mandatory on public transport, in rideshare vehicles and taxis, and in retail settings including indoor shopping centres, supermarkets, department stores and indoor markets.
- The cap for funerals and weddings will be removed, subject to a new density limit of 1 person per 2sq metres. Where the ceremony is held in your own home, the limit of 30 people applies.
- The same new density limits will apply for community facilities, including libraries, RSLs, and community halls.
- In gyms, the density limit will move to 1 per 4sq metres – with exercise classes limited to 50 indoors and 100 outdoors.
- There can be up to 50 people on a dancefloor, with a density of 1 person per 4sq metres.

Victoria’s COVIDSafe Summer - changes to how we work

From 11:59pm on Sunday 6 December:

- Density limits in our pubs, restaurants and cafes will shift to 1 person per 2sq metres for both indoors and outdoors - with no other cap.
- In hospitality, the use of electronic record keeping – a QR code – will be mandatory.
- For small operations, there are no density limits if the patron number is under 25.
- For retail and beauty services, businesses can move to 1 person per 2sq metres – if they also introduce electronic record keeping. For businesses where that is not possible, the existing density limits will continue to apply.

The Return to Offices – changes from 11 January 2021

Subject to public health advice:

- In the private sector, we will move to a 50 per cent return for office workers.
- For the Victorian public service, up to 25 per cent will be able to return to the office, moving up to 50 per cent on 8 February 2021.

Updated information will be published soon in the relevant sector guidance pages on the Coronavirus website.