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COVID-19 RESTRICTION UPDATE – SEVEN DAY LOCKDOWN ANNOUNCED

Due to the COVID-19 cases reported in the last 24 hours – suspected to be the highly infectious Delta variant – the [Victorian Government has announced](#) that Victoria will enter a state-wide lockdown for seven days from 8:00pm, Thursday 5 August.

This means from 8:00pm tonight:

- There are only five reasons to leave home: getting the food and the supplies you need, exercising for up to two hours, care or caregiving, authorised work or education if you can't do it from home, or to get vaccinated at the nearest possible location.
- Shopping and exercise must be done within 5km of your home or the nearest location.
- Face masks will remain mandatory indoors (not at home) and outdoors, including all workplaces, unless an exception applies.
- Private gatherings are not permitted except for an intimate partner or nominated person visits.
- Public gatherings are not permitted.
- Exercise is limited to two people.
- Childcare and early childhood care will remain open.
- Schools will close, with primary and secondary school students returning to remote learning – except for vulnerable children, and the children of authorised workers who can learn on site.
- Higher education students will also return to remote learning, except for learning programs allowed on the Authorised Premises and Authorised Workers List.

There are no changes to the current arrangements for border communities.

For a more detailed overview of the restrictions, please see the Table of Restrictions (which can be downloaded as a PDF at the bottom of the [Premier's media release](#)).

Stay COVIDSafe

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

For more information go to coronavirus.vic.gov.au or [the list of exposure sites](#).

Regards

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