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Changes to Restrictions – Local Government Information

Premier Daniel Andrews has announced the further easing of restrictions in Victoria from 11.59pm on Sunday 22 November. The following is a high-level summary of some of the key changes. For more detail on these changes, please see the Summary of Last Step Restrictions.

Victoria’s Last Step in the Roadmap for reopening - changes to how we live

From 11:59pm on Sunday 22 November:

- The number of visitors to a home will increase from two to 15 per day. That can be split across different times as long as people are sticking to a total of 15.
- Outdoor gatherings in a public place will increase to 50.
- Weddings will increase to 150 people.
- Funerals and religious ceremonies will increase to 150 people indoors.
- Contact and non-contact sports can begin for adults as well as kids – 150 people indoors with a group size of up to 20 and 500 outdoors with groups of up to 50.
- Masks will no longer be mandatory if outdoors and a safe distance can be kept, but Victorians will need to carry a mask at all times in case the situation changes. Masks still need to be worn when indoors and on public transport – and where distance cannot be kept.

Victoria’s Last Step in the Roadmap for reopening - changes to how we work

From 11:59pm on Sunday 22 November:

- Hospitality sector changes will also come into place. For smaller hospitality venues, the density limit will change to one person for every two square metres – up to 50 customers indoors. QR code record keeping will be mandatory.
- For bigger hospitality venues, the density limit will stay the same, but the cap will increase to 150 indoors. Total venue capacity (indoor and outdoor) will also rise to 300.
- Cinemas, galleries and museums will be able to host up to 150 people indoors.
- Organisers will be able to apply to host a public event. Different requirements and rules will need to apply, depending on whether it’s a school fete or a major sporting match.

Please note, all patron numbers are subject to strict density limits. Updated information will be published soon in the relevant sector guidance pages on the Coronavirus website.

Looking ahead

- From 30 November, a phased approach for workers heading back to the office will begin. Up to 25 per cent of workers will be able to attend onsite. Importantly, unless you’re one of those people nominated by your employer – you need to keep working from home. The Victorian Public Service will remain under the setting “if you can work from home, you must work from home” to create space and capacity for the private sector.
- From 11.59pm Sunday 13 December, Victorians will be able to host up to 30 people in their home per day. Babies under 12 months won’t count towards the cap.
The Premier will provide a further update on restrictions on 6 December.

Regards

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