

REGIONAL VICTORIA

Summary of further easing in the Third Step



Note: Cleaning, signage and record keeping and other COVIDSafe requirements continue to apply for many of these venues and facilities. The density quotient applies to all indoor venues and spaces, except for workplaces that are not accessible to the public, private residences, outdoor hospitality, and areas of accommodation facilities that are for the exclusive use of a single group.

Newly announced items in purple

Category	From 11:59pm Tuesday 27 October
Reasons to leave your home	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay safe: no restrictions for reasons to leave the house, except where this would necessitate travel to an area under higher restrictions• Intrastate travel: no change<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ necessary goods or services if it is the closest location○ care or other compassionate reasons○ work or education if you have a permit• Travelling through metropolitan Melbourne to another regional destination is allowed if necessary• Face coverings: no change
Gatherings of people	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home: up to two people plus dependents can visit a household once per day. Each household can only have two visitors per day. The two people may be from different households• Public places: up to 10 people outdoors, infants under 12 months not included in cap
Sport and recreation (including pools)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indoor Physical Recreation for those aged 18 and under:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Non-contact physical recreation for those aged 18 years and under to a maximum of 20 people (e.g. dance classes)○ Non-contact physical recreation means that the activity can be done with a distance of 1.5m○ Spectators limited to one parent, guardian or carer only, where the child requires parental supervision• Indoor Community Sport:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Non-contact sport for those aged 18 years and under○ Non-contact sport means a sport capable of being done with a distance of 1.5m○ Spectators limited to one parent, guardian or carer only, where the child requires parental supervision• Indoor non-contact fitness (including gyms) to resume with:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ density quotient of 1 per 8 sqm and patron cap of 10 per space (max 10 per group/class), cap of 20 per venue○ COVIDSafe practices○ Indoor physical recreation businesses to only provide services to patrons from regional Victoria until settings in metropolitan Melbourne are aligned with regional Victoria. Businesses must use reasonable endeavours to check the place of residence of patron

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Community facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Libraries and toy libraries: Gathering limit of 20 people maximum indoors, with no more than 10 in a space, subject to density quotient • Community venues: closed except for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ hosting an essential public support service (20 people); hosting an essential support group (20 people); hosting a wedding (10 people) or funeral (20 people); or providing an exclusive venue for a single school at any one time for educational purposes; and ○ activities in an outdoor space, subject to the public gathering limits, plus the person required to conduct the activity

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Childcare facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childcare: open • In-home child minding: allowed for all children subject to the indoor gathering restriction (two adult visitors and their dependents)
Hospitality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food and drink facilities open for seated indoor and outdoor service (both food and/or drink): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Maximum 10 people per group, seated 1.5m from other groups o For indoor space: Open with a cap of 10 persons per indoor space, with a maximum of 40 patrons per venue indoors, subject to density requirements (1 per 4m²). o For outdoor space: Increasing to a patron cap of 70 patrons per venue outdoors subject to the density quotient (1 per 2m²) • Live music permitted outdoors only with band included in venue limit, members must be at least two metres apart, wear a face mask (except singers). Other requirements apply • City of Greater Shepparton: Align restrictions with rest of regional Victoria (from Sunday 11.59, 25 October) • Hospitality in arenas/racetracks: hospitality venues in other sectors such as sports arenas are subject to the same restrictions as other hospitality if open to the public • Food courts: open • Indoor seating: a maximum of two people per table, venue limited to the lesser of 25 per cent of a venue's fixed seating capacity or a density quotient of one person per eight square metres. This would be subject to regular cleaning and taking of names. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Outdoor space: Outdoor areas with a maximum of 50 diners per area, group limit of 10, each area separated by 10 metres from the next. Maximum of 4 areas (200 people)
Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult education students: learn from home if you can • School: on-site learning for all year levels • Grade 6 & Year 12 Graduations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o permitted if within the existing grade cohort (e.g whole grade six cohort, not individual classes) o students and staff only. Can be broadcast for parents and others. o COVIDSafe requirements

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Shopping, retail and personal services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hairdressing, beauty and personal care services: open, with requirement that only services where the client can wear a face covering for the duration of the service or procedure are permitted (e.g. hairdressing, manicures, pedicures, body waxing, tattooing) • Market stalls: open • Auction houses: open • Real estate inspections: allowed in accordance with record keeping requirements and density quotients, limit to 10 people from any number of households, subject to density quotient • Real estate auctions: can be conducted onsite if outdoors up to 10 members of the public, plus the minimum number of people required to conduct the auction and the owners and/or residents of the property • Other retail: open
Entertainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor entertainment venues (including cinemas, performing arts and music venues): closed • Museums and galleries (indoor): closed • Nightclubs and karaoke (indoor): closed • Retail betting venue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o if wholly contained within a licensed premises: open, subject to both licenced premises and retail restrictions, including seated only service o if not wholly contained within a licensed premises: open subject to requirements on open retail • Adult entertainment: closed • Non-seated outdoor attractions (excluding events): (large outdoor areas where people are unlikely to congregate, such as zoos or live museums like Sovereign Hill): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o indoor spaces closed except toilets and thoroughfare to outdoor spaces (e.g. foyer, reception) o outdoor spaces open with density quotient • All require a COVIDSafe Plan, venues with 500 or more capacity at one time must publish their COVIDSafe Plan online prior to opening • Seated outdoor spaces with fixed seating: open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Groups up to 10 people, seated 1.5m apart from other groups o Members of the public must be seated o Number of members of the public limited to the lower of 50 people or 25% of the venue's fixed seat capacity • Stadiums and arenas can operate for exclusive use by a single school for educational purpose • Indoor space: closed, except toilets and where used as a thoroughfare to outdoor space (e.g. foyer, reception area) and exceptions for broadcasting and professional sport

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Entertainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drive-in cinemas: outdoor space open, no seating outside vehicles permitted • Arenas and stadiums: can operate for exclusive use by a single school at any one time for education purposes for broadcast or professional sport. • Arcade, amusement park, escape room, casino, gaming machine area, bingo centre, brothels, sex on premises venues: closed
Ceremonies and religious gatherings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor religious gatherings: Allowed for up to 20 people, plus one faith leader. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Strict requirements to be contained in a COVIDSafe Plan o Can only have one gathering at a time whether indoor or outdoor • Outdoor religious gatherings and ceremonies: up to 50 people, plus 1 faith leader, proximate to a place of worship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Can only have one gathering at a time whether indoor or outdoor • Private worship: allowed for up to two adults and their dependents, plus a faith leader • Weddings: up to 10 people outdoors, including couple and two witnesses, celebrant and one photographer excluded from cap • Funerals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Indoors – 20 indoors o Outdoors – 50 outdoors o infants under 12 months and people to conduct funeral not included in cap
Accommodation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open, for travel within regional Victoria • o each group booking is restricted to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Only members of a single household; OR - Only intimate partners; OR - Only members of a single household and two adults and their dependent children or dependents; AND - Cannot stay with people living in metropolitan Melbourne; AND - Members of separately booked groups do not share bedrooms at the facility
Tourism (tours and transport)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor spaces: tour vehicles that supports the primary outdoor offering of the tourism facility, for trips of up to 30 minutes • Smaller vehicles: private gathering limit of household plus 2 people and their dependents • Larger vehicles: up to 10 people, infants under 12 months not included in cap.

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Industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work: work from home if you can • COVIDSafe Plan: all businesses are required to have a COVIDSafe Plan for onsite operations • High risk food industries: additional obligations including regular surveillance testing of the workforce, nightly deep cleaning, separating workers into consistent teams/bubbles to maintain separation and providing regular worker training • Poultry processing facilities: High Risk COVIDSafe Plan, surveillance testing, additional PPE, mobility restrictions, workforce capacity limits, pre-shift declaration, temperature screening, COVID Marshal • Abattoirs and meat processing facilities: High Risk COVIDSafe Plan, surveillance testing, additional PPE, mobility restrictions, workforce capacity limits, pre-shift declaration, temperature screening, COVID Marshal • Seafood processing facilities: High Risk COVIDSafe Plan, surveillance testing, additional PPE, mobility restrictions, workforce capacity limits, pre-shift declaration, temperature screening, COVID Marshal • Construction, Manufacturing, Wholesale: No change, COVIDSafe Plan for onsite operations