



23rd June 2021

Victorian Government Update – 23rd June 2021

The [Victorian Government has announced](#) that restrictions in regional Victoria and metropolitan Melbourne will ease from 11.59pm Thursday 24 June, and remain in place for at least two weeks.

For a detailed overview of the changes, see the latest [Table of Restrictions](#). Following is a high-level summary.

Changes to restrictions in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria

- Hospitality venues can serve up to 300 **in Melbourne**, but density limits still apply.
- Masks must be worn indoors, except if you're at home or if an [exception](#) applies.
- More people **in metropolitan Melbourne** can return to offices, with 75 percent capacity – or 30 people in a workplace – whichever is greater.
- Players, parents and spectators can attend outdoor community sport within the total cap of 1000 people.
- Live music will have greater numbers in pubs, clubs and other hospitality venues across the state too, but dance floors are still closed for now.
- Indoor seated entertainment venues, such as cinemas, can have up to 75 per cent seated capacity, with a maximum of 300 people per space.
- Large theatres will initially open at 50 percent capacity, with up to 1000 people.
- Crowds can attend public events and outdoor stadiums with a limit of 50 percent, or up to 25,000 people.
- Private visitors to the home will increase to 15 people **for both regional Victoria and metropolitan Melbourne** – and up to 50 people can gather outside in a public place like a park.
- Funerals and weddings will be capped at 300 people.
- For the next week, it is recommended that those travelling to Victoria's alpine region get tested prior departing metropolitan Melbourne, especially if they're staying overnight.

Looking ahead

Subject to epidemiology and the advice of the Chief Health Officer, from 11:59pm 1 July:

- Numbers for public events and outdoor stadiums will increase, with 100 percent capacity at shows like Frozen at Her Majesty's Theatre, and Harry Potter at the Princess Theatre.
- Indoor and outdoor stadiums will be able to increase to 85 percent capacity - including the MCG, Marvel Stadium, and AAMI Park.

QR Codes

A reminder that all businesses and workplaces are now required to use the [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#), unless an exemption applies.

Victorians must check-in everywhere, every time. Businesses must ensure that every customer and visitor has checked-in, no matter how long they are at the premises.



For businesses that have not [previously been mandated](#) to use the Victorian Government QR Code Service, an enforcement amnesty is in place until 11.59pm 1 July. Checking in with the Victorian Government QR Code Service is the best way to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and keep Victorian businesses open.

Support for businesses

There are [a number of support programs](#) available to businesses, with applications closing soon:

- Applications for the [Business Costs Assistance Program Round Two](#) and [Licensed Hospitality Venue Fund 2021](#) close tomorrow night at 11:59pm Thursday 24 June 2021.
- The [Victorian Events Support Package](#) provides support to event organisers, hosts and suppliers. Applications are open and close at 11:59pm Friday 16 July 2021.

For more information and to apply, visit [Business Victoria](#).

Other important information for businesses

Anyone with symptoms should get tested immediately – please encourage your workers to get tested if they are unwell. The list of [testing sites](#) includes wait times.

All Victorians over the age of 40 are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. For more information on how to book your vaccine appointment, visit the [Coronavirus website](#).

As restrictions ease, it's important to check your [COVIDSafe Plan](#) is up to date.

For more information, visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au or call the Business Victoria hotline on 13 22 15.