

ROADMAP TO COVID NORMAL THIRD STEP

Regional Victoria moves to the Third Step of the State Government’s Roadmap to COVID Normal at 11.59pm on Wednesday 16 September 2020

No more “stay at home” directions	Some social gatherings allowed
<p>There are no restrictions for reasons to leave the house, except where travelling through a restricted area. You must continue to work from home if possible.</p> <p>Travel away from home is allowed within regional Victoria. People in regional Victoria cannot travel to metropolitan Melbourne except for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Obtaining necessary goods or servicesCare or compassionate reasonsWork or study	<p>At home you can visit or be visited by another household in your nominated household bubble with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Up to 5 visitors at a time (infants under 12 months are not included in this cap)Households can only be in one bubble at a time and the bubble cannot cross metro and regional areasFace coverings are not required to be worn when visiting hoseholds in your nominated bubble <p>In public places up to 10 people can meet outdoors (infants under 12 months are not included in this cap) inclusive of households.</p>

You must wear a face covering when you leave home.

Disposable masks should be worn once and cloth masks washed regularly.

Industry and Community Regulations

Education	Adult education students: learn from home if you can. Primary and secondary students: no change until Term 4 when on-site learning resumes in staggered stages. VCE and VCAL students (including Yr 10 students in VCE) can attend onsite for the General Achievement Test (GAT) and essential assessments.	Ceremonies and religious gatherings	Indoor religious ceremonies: not allowed; 5 people can attend a place of worship to conduct a ceremony being broadcast. Private worship: allowed for households or household bubbles, plus a faith leader. Outdoor religious gatherings (not ceremonies): up to 10 people, plus 1 faith leader. Weddings: up to 10 people (including couple and two witnesses), plus celebrant. Funerals: up to 20 people, plus infants under 12 months and people to conduct funeral. • If weddings or funerals are held at private residence, private gathering restrictions apply, including the household bubble.
Shopping, retail, and personal services	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. Market stalls: open. Auction houses: open. Real estate auctions: permitted outdoors, limited to 10 members of the public, plus the minimum number of people required to conduct the auction. Real estate inspections: by private appointment only and in accordance with public gathering limit or 10 people.		Food and drink facilities: open for seated indoor and outdoor service (both food and/or drink) and venues must use reasonable endeavours to determine that customer resides outside of Metropolitan Melbourne. • For indoor spaces: open with a cap of 10 persons per indoor space, with amaximum of 20 patrons per venue indoors, subject to density requirements 1 per 4m2. • For outdoor spaces: open with cap of 50 patrons per venue outdoors subject to density requirements of 1 per 2m2. • NOTE: “Outdoor spaces” means: • a space with no roof; or • an open-air space designated for the consumption of food and/or beverage, which may have a temporary or fixed cover (e.g. awning or roof) so long as such cover has at least two open sides to the outdoors for airflow • Roof is defined as any structure or device (whether fixed or movable) that prevents or significantly impedes upward airflow, including a ceiling. • Wall is defined as any structure or device (whether fixed or movable) that prevents orsignificantly impedes lateral airflow, including a closed window or door. • Outdoor areas may include the following places: a balcony or veranda, courtyard, rooftop, marquee, street or footpath, any similar outdoor area. Pop ups: Should temporary new permits or licences be sought for pop up hospitality venues, a cap of 50 patrons subject to the density quotient will apply. • Food courts: open for takeaway and delivery only.
Accommodation	Open, but each group booking is restricted to: • Only members of a single household; OR • Only intimate partners; OR • Only members of a single household and a maximum of 5 members of another household part of the nominated ‘household bubble’; AND • Only people living in regional Victoria; AND • Members of separately booked groups do not share bedrooms at the facility.	Hospitality	
Community facilities	Libraries and toy libraries: only open to facilitate collection and return of books/toys or home delivery. Outdoor activities permitted for up to 10 people plus the person required to conduct the activity. The Stawell and St Arnaud libraries are offering a click-and-collect service and virtual storytime. Visit www.ngshire.vic.gov.au/libraries for more information. Community venues: Closed except for essential services. Outdoor activities permitted for up to 10 people plus the person required to conduct the activity.		
Entertainment	Indoor venues and spaces: closed. Non-seated outdoor spaces including zoos or live museums (excluding events): • Outdoor spaces: open with quotient of 1 per 4 sqm. • 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 (fixed or allocated seating): • Indoor spaces are closed with exceptions for broadcasting and professional sport. • Outdoor spaces are open with a maximum 10 people per group, groups must be 1.5m apart from each other and be seated. • If fixed seating: patron cap of 50 people or 25% of the venue’s fixed seat capacity, whichever is lower. • If no fixed seating but allocated seated spaces/zones density quotient and maximum of 50 patrons. Arenas and stadiums: can operate for exclusive use by a single school at any one time for education purposes. Retail betting venue: If wholly contained within a licensed premises, open for purchase of bet but seated hospitality service only, consistent with indoor hospitality requirements. If not wholly contained within a licensed premises, open consistent with requirements on open retail. Arcade, amusement park, escape room, casino, gaming machine area, bingo centre, brothels, sex on premises venues: closed. Events: will be considered on case by case basis.	Sport and Recreation	Outdoor physical recreation: Up to 10 people in any group, inclusive of households. Outdoor contact and non-contact sport: allowed for people 18 and under but; • Limited to minimum number of people to play and facilitate the activity. • Spectators only permissible for supervising of children or for necessary support to players with additional needs. Outdoor non-contact sport: allowed for adults but; • Limited to minimum number of people to play and facilitate the activity. • Non-contact means participants must be able to maintain distance of 1.5m Personal training: outdoors, up to 10 people, trainer not included in cap. Outdoor swimming pools: Cap increases to the density quotient of the pool itself or 50 per pool, whichever is smaller, other than for exclusive use by a single school at any one time for education purposes, or exclusive use for community sport. Skateparks and playgrounds: open, outdoors only. Fitness or dance classes (including classes associated with gyms): • Outdoor classes: up to 10 people, trainer not included in cap. • Indoors: open but heavily restricted. • No shared equipment. • Recording and broadcast permitted only with minimum number of people required to conduct the recording/ streaming, up to 5 people.
	Tourism (tours and transport)		Indoor spaces: closed. Outdoor spaces: open, but each group restricted to up to 10 members of the public, plus the minimum number of people required to conduct the tour.



The Stawell Sports and Aquatic Centre will be offering virtual fitness classes and some outdoor physical fitness training in the coming weeks. Visit www.ngshire.vic.gov.au/SSAC or www.facebook.com/stawellcentre to stay up to date.

