



Friday 1st October 2021 (following on from Friday 24th September, 2021)

COVID-19 UPDATE

ARE YOU PREPARED?

As each State releases it's Roadmap they are mandating vaccines for authorised/essential workers. It is looking more and more likely that all retail staff will need to be vaccinated so please inform and encourage your team members and ensure your business is prepared to meet the deadlines in your State/Territory.

Restrictions by State

Please check the restrictions currently in place in your State and local area at the links below.

New South Wales

- General Covid information – <https://www.nsw.gov.au/>

Victoria

- General Covid information – <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/>

Queensland

- General Covid information – <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/current-status/public-health-directions>

Northern Territory

- General Covid information – <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/current-status/public-health-directions>

South Australia

- General Covid information – <https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/>

Tasmania

- General Covid information – <https://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au/>

Western Australia

- General Covid information – <https://www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus>

VIC

Mandatory Vaccines for Authorised Workers

The Premier today announced a vaccine mandate for all Authorised Workers including fuel retail, wholesale and admin staff) in Victoria will be subject to a vaccination mandate. All Authorised Workers will be required to have at least one dose of vaccine by 15/10 and second dose by at least 26/11. It is expected that there will be medical contraindication exemptions.

It is clear that the business will be required to ensure that workers that do not meet this requirement are not allowed onto site.

It is a good idea to reach out to staff now to communicate the message around vaccination and to gather information about current vaccination status in order to be ready.

Dear [name],

As you will have heard the VIC Government has announced a mandate for all Authorised Workers to be vaccinated - <https://www.premier.vic.gov.au/vaccination-required-protect-workers-and-victoria>.

The mandate states that all Authorised Workers will need to have at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by 15/10/2021 and have the second dose by 26/11/2021.

The mandate is being put in place by the Government and it is a requirement of the law that the business ensure that no Authorised Workers are allowed at work if they are not vaccinated from 16/10/2021.

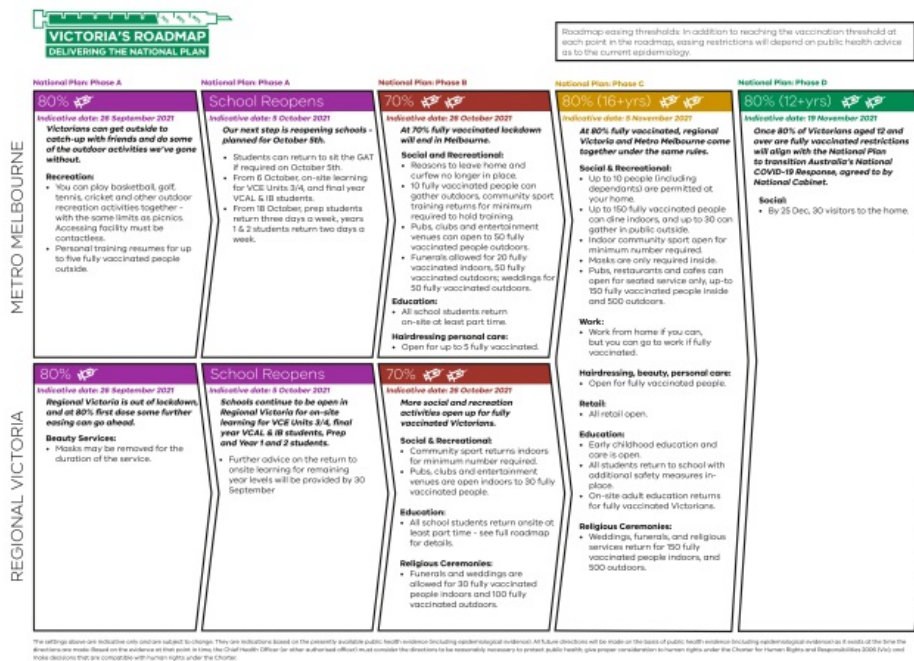
We understand that these changes are happening quickly and that they can be hard to follow.

Please urgently provide evidence of your vaccination status (vaccine certificate/proof of vaccination) and/or vaccination booking.

We are working with authorities and government to understand options any exceptions now, but given that the vaccination requirement is law you would not be allowed onsite after 15/10/2021 unless you had received a vaccination.

Kindest Regards

VIC Roadmap to re-opening



<https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/victorias-roadmap>

NSW Travel Permits

The current Travel Permit requirements have been extended. Set to end at 30/9/2021 there has been an extension of the permits, allowing travel until the end of October (if required – Roadmap dependent).

For more information see; <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/register-your-travel-within-nsw>

Roadmap to full reopening announced

The response will change in recognition of changed vaccination numbers.

The other vital thing to remember is that the Premier and the Health Minister have both outlined that staff are going to be required to be fully vaccinated during the 70% and 80% brackets. As noted below there is no legal mandate yet, and it is not expected until the actual Public Health Orders are published but once published the business will be required to comply with the law – so now is the time to find out the staff vaccination status.

NSW Roadmap Recap

70% double dosed

estimated 5/10/2021 with changes to come in the Monday after (eg 11/10/2021)

- Masks remain required for all indoor settings (hospitality staff required to wear masks outside)
- Up to 5 visitors (vaccinated persons) will be allowed in the home where all the adults in the home are also vaccinated (under 12 children not included in count)
- Outdoor gathering
 - up to 20 people (vaccinated persons) allowed to gather in an outdoor setting
 - up to 500 people (vaccinated persons) can attend controlled (ticketed and seated) events
- Major events (stadiums, racecourses, theme parks and zoos) can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 per 4sqm capped at 5,000
- Entertainment facilities (cinemas, theatres, music halls) can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm or up to 75% of fixed seated capacity (whichever is larger)
- Hospitality venues can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm inside and 1 person per 2sqm outside – seating requirement inside will be removed
- Retail density 1 per 4sqm open for vaccinated persons. Unvaccinated persons can only access critical retail*
- Heath and beauty open for vaccinated persons at 1 per 4sqm with a cap of 5 customers
- Gyms open for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm (capped at 20 people per class)
- Weddings and funerals for vaccinated persons up to 50 persons with seated eating and drinking (with 1 person per 4sqm density)
- Places of worship open for all persons with 1 person per 4sqm with no singing
- TTIQ operation to be advised

* Fuel Retail remains critical retail and as such will not be closed to unvaccinated persons.

80% double dosed

estimated end of Oct

- Masks remain required for all indoor settings (hospitality staff required to wear masks outside)
- Up to 10 visitors (vaccinated persons) allowed in the home (not including children 12 and under)
- Outdoor gathering
 - up to 20 people (vaccinated persons) allowed to gather in an outdoor setting
 - up to 200 people (vaccinated persons) can attend COVID Safe events
 - up to 500 people (vaccinated persons) can attend controlled (ticketed and seated) events
- Major events (stadiums, racecourses, theme parks and zoos) can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 per 4sqm capped at 5,000
- Entertainment facilities (cinemas, theatres, music halls) can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm or up to 75% of fixed seated capacity (whichever is larger)
- Hospitality venues can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm inside and 1 person per 2sqm outside – seating requirement inside will be removed
- Retail density 1 per 4sqm open for vaccinated persons. Unvaccinated persons can only access critical retail*
- Libraries, galleries and museums can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm
- Gyms open for vaccinated persons with 1 person per 4sqm (capped at 20 people per class)
- Uncapped weddings and funerals for vaccinated persons (with 1 person per 4sqm density) – caps apply for weddings and funerals involving unvaccinated persons
- Places of worship open for all persons with 1 person per 4sqm with no singing
- Carpooling allowed for vaccinated persons
- Community sport permitted for vaccinated persons
- Travel across NSW allowed for vaccinated persons
- Accommodation across NSW allowed for vaccinated persons
- TTIQ operation to be advised

NOTE: Amusement centres and nightclubs will remain closed

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From 00:01 1/12/2021

- The following settings will apply for all persons (regardless of vaccination status);
- Masks mandatory while on public transport, planes, at airports, and for front of house hospitality staff

- No limit on number of visitors to a home
- No limit on the number of people who can attend informal outdoor gatherings
- COVID Safe plan required for organised outdoor events with more than 1,000 people
- Person caps for retail, hospitality, health and beauty, gyms, entertainment facilities (cinema, theatres, music halls) replaced with standard 2sqm density for all venues
- Major events (stadiums, racecourses, theme parks and zoos) can operate for vaccinated persons with 1 per 2sqm
- Amusement centres and nightclubs will open with 1 person per 4sqm
- Uncapped weddings and funerals for vaccinated persons (with 1 person per 4sqm density) – caps apply for weddings and funerals involving unvaccinated persons
- Places of worship open for all persons with 1 person per 4sqm with no singing
- TTIQ to be advised

Fuel Wholesale and Retail operators should note that as essential industry these changes do not directly impact on the operation of the industry. What there will be is an increase in traffic, and therefore an increase in the need for vigilance. Operators are encouraged to use this time to prepare staff and review requirements (like check in, masks and cleaning), as well as handling resistant or aggressive customers.

For more information see; <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/roadmap-to-recovery-reveals-path-forward-for-all-nsw>

For a copy of the 80%+ Roadmap Factsheet see; <https://www.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-09/FACT%20SHEET.pdf>

For the original 70% Roadmap see; <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/roadmap-to-freedom-unveiled-for-fully-vaccinated>

NSW

Exposure Response Framework released (TTIQ - Test Trace Isolate Quarantine)

The Exposure Response Plan details how Health will classify persons who are exposed to an infected person – what will determine if they are a **Close Contact**, **Casual Contact** or **Low Risk Contact**.

Risk controls, including masks, space and importantly vaccination is now taken into account in deciding if a contact was close or casual.

Adjustments to the isolation requirements for **Close Contact**, **Casual Contacts** and **Low Risk Contacts** are still to be finalised.

It is clear that for most fuel retail and transport staff, as long as the staff are vaccinated and wearing their masks, usual contact with an infected customers will most likely result in the employee being deemed to be **Low Risk Contact** which means that if exposed they will be required to monitor for symptoms and get a PCR test if they develop any symptoms, but will not be required to isolate.

Level 1 Exposure

Exposure to infected person up close (less than 1.5m distance)

Where the exposed person has been “up close” with an infected person, indoor or outdoor;

- If the exposed person is **UNVACCINATED** then they will be a **Close Contact**
- If the exposed person is **FULLY VACCINATED** (14 days after second dose) then it will depend on situation and controls;
 - If there was direct physical contact then they will be a **Casual Contact**
 - If there was a close conversation without masks then they will be a **Casual Contact**, but if they were wearing masks then they will be a **Low Risk Contact**
 - If there was time closer than 1.5m without masks then they will be a **Casual Contact**, but if they were wearing masks then they will be a **Low Risk Contact**

Level 2 Exposure

Exposure to infected person at a distance (more than 1.5m distance)

Where the exposed person has been in the same indoor space with an infected person but has maintained distance of at least 1.5m

- Dependent on whether the exposed person is **VACCINATED** or **UNVACCINATED** then it will depend on the situation and controls;

Exposure Responses

As noted, what is required from each type of contact is subject to current review, but for now the requirements are;

Close Contact – get tested and isolate for 14 days

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/close-contacts.pdf>

Casual Contact – get tested and isolated until a negative result

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/casual-contacts.pdf>

Low Risk – monitor for symptoms and get tested if symptoms appear

For more information see; <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/controlguideline/Documents/contact-risk-assessment-business-community-settings.pdf>

ACT Roadmap announced

The Chief Minister has announced the detailed Roadmap that includes risk assessment dependent milestones and restriction.

ACT Roadmap Recap

From 23:59 Thursday 30/09/2021 new settings will apply;

- 2 people can visit a home at any one time
- 4h out of home exercise and recreation
- All retail can operate click and collect, click and deliver (up to 5 staff at one time)
- Outdoor personal training can commence with no more than 2 clients

From 23:59 Thursday 14/10/2021 lockdown will lift with the following settings;

- 5 people can visit a home at any one time
- Up to 25 can gather outside
- Café, restaurants and licenced premises can have up to 25 people seated indoor across a venue (or 1 per 4sqm indoors if that amount is less than 25), or outside up to 50 people with 1 per 4sqm
- Hairdressers, Beauty open with up to 5 customers at one time
- All retail can operate click and collect, click and deliver (up to 10 staff at one time)
- Gyms will reopen with a maximum of 25 people or 1 per 4sqm
- Weddings, outdoor playcentres, places of worship, outdoor auctions and community centres will all reopen with a maximum of 25 people or 1 per 4sqm
- Accommodation provides (hotels, campsites etc) can reopen
- Swimming pools can reopen for lessons with a maximum of 25 swimmers

From 23:59 Thursday 28/10/2021 new settings will apply;

- 10 people can visit a home at any one time
- Up to 30 can gather outside
- Café, restaurants and licenced premises can have up to 25 people seated indoor across a venue before any density limits apply, thereafter 1 per 4sqm indoors up to 100 people and outside up to 150 people with 1 per 2sqm
- All retail can open with 1 person per 4sqm
- Community sport will recommence
- Ticketed and seated events will recommence with limits depending on indoor or outdoor
- Swimming pools will open to the public
- Cinemas, galleries and museums will open to the public

Further changes will be considered once the ACT vaccination rate exceeds 90%

Fuel Wholesale and Retail operators should note that as essential industry these changes do not directly impact on the operation of the industry. What there will be is an increase in traffic, and therefore an increase in the need for vigilance. Operators are encouraged to use this time to prepare staff and review; requirements (like check in, masks and cleaning), as well as handling resistant or aggressive customers.

For more information see;

- Roadmap - <https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/act-status-and-response/the-acts-pathway-forward>
- From 1/10/2021 - https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/1861621/ACTs-Pathway-Forward-270921.pdf
- Changes for Business - https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/1861625/Changes-for-business-270921.pdf
- Changes for Individuals - https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/1861643/ACTs-Summary-of-proposed-restrictions-270921.pdf

Click here to visit:

<https://covidlive.com.au/>

Mental Health Resources

- [Black Dog Institute](#) is a free online clinic providing a mental health assessment tool and other support services.
- [Head to Health](#) can help you find digital mental health and wellbeing resources.
- [Lifeline \(13 11 14\)](#) - operates 24/7 provides crisis support and suicide prevention services.
- [RUOK?](#) inspires and empowers everyone to meaningfully connect with people and support anyone who may be struggling with life.
- [ReachOut](#) provides practical tools and support to help young people get through everything from everyday issues to tough times.
- [Kids Helpline \(1800 55 18 00\)](#) - operates 24/7) is a telephone counselling support line for children and young people ages 5 to 25.

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The Social Distancing Floor stickers have been a hit at sites and do clean up well with a multi surface spray.

After many request from our Members, UCB have reprinted our social distancing stickers. Look out for them in your October Promotional Pack and replace them around your store as needed.

If you have any queries, don't hesitate to contact your UCB BMM.



Hand Sanitiser Stations

We have attached an order form on image, which shows the four different types of Sanitiser Stations available from one of our partners, SPOS Group, along with a kit which can be customised.

They allow our members a further way to improve our responsible response to Covid-19 and to safeguard further our staff and our customers. Bulk Hand Sanitiser Fluid is available through SPOS as well as our other Trade Partners as we have previously notified in the Covid-19 Daily Update.

Click on the image for further information.

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