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Victorian Government: Stage Four Lockdown - Metropolitan Melbourne - Stage Three Lockdown – Regional Victoria

On Sunday, 2 August, Premier Daniel Andrews announced the Victorian Government's response to the continued increase in community transition of COVID-19 - across Metropolitan Melbourne and Regional Victoria.

From 6:00pm Sunday, 2 August, Victoria moved from a State of Emergency to a State of Disaster. The State of Disaster gives police additional powers to ensure people are complying with public health directions.

Subsequently on Sunday, 2 August Metropolitan Melbourne moved to Stage Four restrictions until September 13, 2020. These restrictions allow for only four reasons to leave households:

1. Shopping for food or other essential items – within five kilometres of an individual's household, by one member of the household, once a day.
2. To provide care giving, for compassionate reasons or to seek medical treatment.
3. For exercise – within five kilometres of an individual's household – in groups of no more than two – once a day for no longer than one hour - recreational sport is not permitted.
4. Work or study if you cannot work or study from home.

Household restrictions remain in place:

- Households cannot have visitors to their homes - except for caregiving, compassionate reasons or for receiving services. Exemptions include visiting partners in relationships.
- Individuals cannot visit friends and family who live at another household, except for caregiving, compassionate reasons or providing services.

Curfew

Stage Four Restrictions includes a strict curfew for Metropolitan Melbourne. Curfew begins every evening at 8pm and concludes the following morning at 5am. The only reasons permitted to leave home during curfew hours are for work, medical care and caregiving.

Metropolitan Victorians are expected to sleep in the same household for the next six weeks - there are exemptions for partners who live apart and for work, if required.

Transport

Public Transport will be dramatically decreased during curfew hours and the Night Networks will be suspended. Ride-share and taxis will be permitted but only to support access to permitted services and provide transport for essential workers.

Individuals must not travel except for one of the four reasons outlined above.

Education Sector

Students from specialist schools will continue to have access to face to face study. All other schools and year levels will return to remote learning for the duration of the renewed lockdown – unless they cannot learn from home.

Onsite supervision will be offered but tightened – only available for students in extreme circumstances. That is, children whose parents are permitted workers and vulnerable kids who cannot learn from home.

From Thursday, August 6 the same restrictions will apply to Melbourne's kinder and early childhood education services.

Deputy Premier and Education Minister, James Merlino announced that Stage Four Restrictions are set to conclude at the end of term three. GAP testing will move to early term 4 and exams will remain the same for VCE students, concluding Wednesday, 2 December. ATAR scores will be delivered by the end of 2020 along with VCE certificates.

University and TAFE courses will be conducted remotely for duration of the Stage Four period.

Ceremonies

- Religious ceremonies and private places of worship will be closed.
- Weddings will not be permitted.
- Funerals will be permitted with up to ten people, plus those who conduct the service.

Travel

Holiday accommodation and camping will be closed, except for residents, emergency accommodation and for work purposes.

Those within the restricted areas must remain in their principle residents. You cannot visit an additional resident with the exceptions of emergencies, maintenance, shared custody or to visit a partner who does not live with you.

Airports

Premier Daniel Andrews has made requests to the Federal Government to extend the diversion of incoming international flights and the quarantine of passengers to other Australian cities. The diversion request will continue through the stage four lockdown.

Face Coverings

From 11:59pm Sunday, 2 August, masks, or face coverings are mandatory *across all of Victoria* when outside households for everyone over the age of twelve. Exceptions apply, including for relevant medical conditions.

Employment Impact

Premier Andrews announced that currently, in Victoria 250,000 people have been stood down and are currently without work, and that Stage Four Restrictions will likely see an additional 250,000 people unable to attend onsite work.

The Premier also noted that almost currently 500,000 Victorians are working from home, as well as one million students, teachers, and other staff under current restrictions.

Stage Four Industry Framework

The Victorian Government has divided industries into three major categories. *Primary* industries that can remain open without change. *Secondary*, industries that can remain open, on the condition of adjustments in how they operate - and *Tertiary* industries that must close. A detailed table outlining industries, operational changes and exemptions can be found below. In brief:

Primary Industries: include supermarkets, grocery stores, bottle shops, pharmacies, petrol stations, bank branches, newsagencies, post offices —and all industries involved in the frontline Pandemic response — including healthcare and emergency services.

Secondary Industries: include retail stores who can operate contactless, within a 'click and collect' and delivery services operating structure. Hardware, building and gardening stores can remain open onsite, but for tradespeople only. Abattoirs can remain open with a 33 per cent reduction compared to peak capacity, this will apply state-wide, and will require workers to have access to, and work in hospital grade PPE. Heavy industry, warehousing, distribution and essential supply manufacturing can continue to operate with strict COVID-Safe measures in place – including limiting workers on site. Some construction can continue with capacity restrictions.

Tertiary Industries: include industries where onsite operations will have to cease for the next six weeks. This includes discretionary retail, some manufacturing and administration. These businesses will all need to close by 11:59pm Wednesday 5 August, unless they have specific circumstances that mean they need longer to shutdown safely.

Business Support Fund

Businesses in regional Victoria can apply for a \$5,000 grant while those in Melbourne and Mitchell Shire can apply for up to \$10,000 in recognition of spending longer under restrictions - if they were previously eligible for the Business Support Fund grant or a payroll tax refund.

For more information, and to apply for the Business Support Grant click [here](#).

Regional Victoria

From 11:59pm Wednesday, 5 August – Regional Victoria will move to Stage Three restrictions, with the exception of meat processing and the education sector – which will move to Stage Four restrictions alongside those in Metropolitan Melbourne. These restrictions will remain in place until September 13, 2020. Mitchell Shire Council has been reallocated as a part of regional Victoria, and so will remain in stage three lockdown. These restrictions allow for only four reasons to leave the house:

1. Shopping for food or other essential items.
2. To provide care giving, for compassionate reasons or to seek medical treatment.
3. For exercise (outdoor exercise only, with only one other person or members of your household).
4. Work or study if you cannot work or study from home.

Additional restrictions have also been put in place:

- Households cannot have visitors to their homes – except for caregiving or compassionate reasons or for receiving services. Exemptions include visiting partners in relationships.
- Individuals can no longer visit friends and family who live at another household, except for caregiving or compassionate reasons or providing services.

For details on Stage Three Restrictions see Hawker Britton's Occasional Paper [here](#).

Industry Restriction Details

On Monday, 3 August, Premier Daniel Andrews announced restrictions placed on industry during the Stage Four Lockdown. Unless otherwise noted, the restrictions will come into effect 11:59pm Wednesday, 5 August.

Under Stage 4 'Stay at Home' Restrictions the default assumption is that workplaces in metropolitan Melbourne are **closed** unless the workplace is part of a permitted industry as set out below. All Victorians are required to work from home, except where this is not practicable. Sole operators can continue to operate, if they do not have contact with the public, or with people other than those persons living in their primary household.

The below table outlines examples of workplaces that are closed for on-site work, open for on-site work with a COVID Safe Plan, and where there are restricted operations or industry specific obligations. This information is subject to the Directions of Victoria's Chief Health Officer.

SECTOR	CLOSED (FOR ON-SITE WORK)	OPEN (FOR ON-SITE WORK) – COVID SAFE PLAN	RESTRICTED OPERATIONS OR INDUSTRY SPECIFIC OBLIGATIONS
ALL SECTORS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any ancillary business (including IT) involved in the production, supply, manufacture, repair, maintenance, cleaning, security, wholesale, distribution, transportation or sale of equipment, goods or services necessary for the operations of a permitted work site or for closed work sites where there are safety or environmental obligations Any services connected with animal health, husbandry or welfare, including the RSPCA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work sites that are in the closed category, can continue to provide access for the purposes of critical maintenance and safety works including meeting environmental obligations, subject to meeting the minimum requirements All industries are required to meet Universal COVID Safe Plan obligations for the prevention and management of COVID-19, including development of COVIDSafe Plans The following industries are, in addition to the Universal obligations are required to have a High Risk COVID Safe Plan with enhanced obligations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction Warehousing Distribution centres Meat processing Cold storage Aged care
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING	<p>All activities not listed including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forestry and logging 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forestry activity for the purposes of or relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Production of firewood for heating of premises Production of pallets Production of building supplies for construction Production of other goods required for other permitted activities (e.g. caskets and coffins) Farming activities and other operations relating to agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, irrigation, permaculture, apiculture, grains, fibre production, dairy, commercial fishing, aquaculture and livestock Intensive agricultural production including; greenhouses and animal production Agricultural, veterinary chemicals and vaccine production, transportation and distribution (including the Pig Services Centre) Businesses that support agriculture and farming including but not limited to; on-farm consultants, livestock agents, agronomists, shearing contractors, trades services and contracting businesses Laboratory and diagnostic services Animal saleyards, knackeries and animal transportation services (including livestock and pets) Animal feed production, transportation, packaging, sale, and feeding (including livestock and pets); Veterinary clinics and related services including; on-farm visits, animal care services (only where it there is a genuine animal welfare issue) and artificial insemination Animal pounds and shelters (no public access) Teaching and scientific facilities which require the keeping or use of animals Any business or undertaking that is involved in providing support services to permitted agriculture, forestry and fishing activities, such as food safety and verification, inspection or associated laboratory services and biosecurity functions 	

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MINING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mining exploration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coal mining Oil and gas extraction Metal ore mining Non-metallic mineral mining and quarrying Petroleum production 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIFO (fly in fly out) workers
MANUFACTURING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-metallic mineral product manufacturing Fabricated metal product manufacturing Furniture and other manufacturing Other wood product manufacturing Textile manufacturing Leather tanning, fur dressing and leather product manufacturing Textile product manufacturing Knitted product manufacturing Clothing and footwear manufacturing Domestic appliance manufacturing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food and beverage production manufacturing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meat and meat product manufacturing Seafood processing Dairy product manufacturing Fruit and vegetable processing Oil and fat manufacturing Grain mill and cereal product manufacturing Bakery product manufacturing Sugar and Confectionery manufacturing Other food and beverage product manufacturing Manufacturing of food and beverage packaging Manufacturing of medical equipment, consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE), including the manufacturing and supply of cloth masks and required raw materials Manufacturing of petroleum and coal product Manufacturing of basic chemicals and chemical products Manufacturing of coffins and caskets Aluminium smelting Manufacturing of cement and lime Manufacturing of fabricated metal product Manufacturing of pharmaceutical and blood products Manufacturing of sanitary products Manufacturing of telecommunications equipment and infrastructure Manufacturing of goods and materials necessary for or related to supporting defence or security industries Manufacturing of building supplies to support construction Manufacturing of Pulp, paper and converted paper product Printing and support services Manufacturing of fertiliser and pesticide Manufacturing of cleaning compounds and toiletry preparation Manufacturing of glass and glass products, including lens Manufacturing of computer and electronic equipment Manufacturing of heating and ventilation products Manufacturing of goods to support critical infrastructure public works Manufacturing of polyethylene and resins Manufacturing of heavy trucks Manufacturing of transport equipment (critical to public transport service; spare parts manufacturing critical to continuity of service) Manufacturing of polymer and rubber production Manufacturing of basic polymer Manufacturing of other basic chemical product Manufacturing of primary metal and metal product Manufacturing of specialised machinery and equipment Microelectronics and semi-conductor products Heating and cooling equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meat, meat product and seafood processing and distribution centres are considered a high-risk industry and subject to industry tailored High Risk COVID Safe plan 33 per cent reduction compared to peak capacity Statewide – Regions included Single site only – no site hopping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *these restrictions will come into force 11:59pm Friday, August 7. Supermarket distribution centres will implement a 33 per cent reduction of peak workforce will be implemented upon commencement of the directions <p>The following manufacturing may maintain skeleton staffing to ensure facilities and equipment is managed safely and in line with environmental requirements and EPA advice or continue where they provide an ancillary service critical to the operation of a permitted activity or industry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Polymer and rubber production Polymer product and rubber product manufacturing Other basic chemical product manufacturing Primary metal and metal product manufacturing Basic polymer manufacturing

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household paper products 	
ELECTRICITY, GAS, WATER AND WASTE SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transfer stations closed to the public 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electricity services Operation of energy systems Gas services Water supply, sewerage and drainage services Waste and resource recovery services including collection, treatment and disposal services, and transfer stations to remain open for commercial contractors Liquid fuels and refinery services Services to support ongoing provision and regulation of electricity, gas, water, sewage and waste and recycling services and their maintenance. 	
CONSTRUCTION		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building and non-building construction (including residential) Construction of critical and essential infrastructure and services to support these projects, and other construction in line with restrictions Critical repairs to any premises, are allowed, where required for emergency or safety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large scale construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any building construction project of more than three stories (excluding basement) Maximum of 25 per cent of normal employees on site compared to normal operations. Must have High Risk COVID Safe Plan. Must demonstrate not blending shifts and workers can only work at one site during Stage 4 Small scale construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any building construction project of three stories or less (excluding basement) Maximum of five workers (including supervisors) Universal COVID Safe Plan Must demonstrate not blending shifts and workers can only work at one site during stage 4 <p>State and state civil construction (including time critical new school builds) are exempt from reduction targets but will be required to implement High Risk COVID Safe Plan.</p>
WHOLESALE TRADE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wholesale trade, unrelated to food and medical supplies, will cease except where it is critical to supply a permitted service. Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts Wholesaling Furniture, floor covering and other goods wholesaling <p>Commission-based wholesaling</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grocery, liquor and tobacco product wholesaling Animal feed and supplies wholesaling Pharmaceutical wholesaling Safety products wholesaling Cleaning supplies and disinfectants wholesaling Medical and disability supplies wholesaling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

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RETAIL TRADE (GOODS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All closed unless listed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supermarkets and grocery shops, including all food and liquor shops Convenience stores and newsagents Outdoor food markets Fuel retailing Pharmacies Post offices Hardware, building and garden supplies retailing for trade Specialist stationery services only where related to COVID activities (i.e. laminating, printing, binding) Disability and health equipment, mobility devices, including products for health patients Maternity and baby safety products and supplies Motor vehicle parts for emergency repairs only Agricultural retailers (drive through only) Attendance on site at other retail outlets for the purposes of fulfilling online orders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shopping Centres open for access to permitted retail only Markets for food only with strict enforcement of density obligations Retail stores will be permitted to operate contactless ‘click and collect’ and delivery services with strict safety protocols in place Hardware, building and garden supplies retailing. Trades people only – contactless pickup for public Where contactless delivery is possible, the provider can operate for the purposes of contactless delivery but cannot be open to the public All businesses must abide by Workplace Directions coming into effect 11.59pm, Friday, 7 August 2020. This includes face coverings, records of contacts and cleaning processes. Warehouses, online-only businesses and distribution business will need to abide by these obligations
RETAIL TRADE (SERVICES)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal care services including hairdressers Photographic Film Processing Car washes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Locksmiths Laundry and dry cleaners 	
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accommodation, except where specified as permitted to operate Pubs, Taverns and Bars Clubs (Hospitality) Nightclubs Food courts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All types of accommodation where it relates to a person’s primary residence, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hotel, caravan park, hostel, etc supported residential services boarding schools, residential colleges and university accommodation services Accommodation provided or funded by the Victorian Government in response to COVID-19, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> for returned overseas travellers; for people subject to direction and detention notices for diagnosed persons and close contacts for critical COVID responders (e.g. Hotels for Heroes) Accommodation for work purposes on a temporary basis or for workers in critical sectors beyond hotels (e.g. caravan parks) Accommodation where it is unsafe for a person to reside in their primary place of residence Emergency accommodation, including refuges and accommodation for people who are experiencing homelessness Only essential support to be provided for in-home support for aged services Cafes, restaurants, pubs, taverns and bars (take away and delivery food services only) Other essential accommodation and food services such as roadhouses (to comply with national heavy vehicle regulations) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency food service provision, including Foodbank, meals-on-wheels and other emergency food relief services 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of meals on wheels for aged services • Only essential support to be provided for in-home support for aged services • Boarding schools, residential colleges and university accommodation services • Cafes, restaurants (take away and delivery food services only) • Other essential services such as roadhouses, to comply with national heavy vehicle regulations 	
TRANSPORT, POSTAL AND WAREHOUSING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenic and Sightseeing Transport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warehousing • Road transport (passenger and freight) • Rail transport (passenger and freight) – including rail yards • Water transport (passenger and freight) – including ports and Tasmanian shipping lines • Air Transport (passenger and freight) • Pipeline and other transport • Transport support services • Vehicle repairs and critical maintenance including disinfection • Towing services • Public transport, ride share and taxis, for other workers or emergencies 	<p>Public transport, ride/share and taxis available but only to support access to permitted services and provide transport for permitted workers</p> <p>Warehousing and cold storage risk mitigations – High Risk COVID Safe Plan required</p>
INFORMATION MEDIA AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Publishing • Directory and Mailing List Publishing • Other Publishing • Software Publishing • Motion Picture and Sound Recording Activities • Library and Other Information Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telecommunications services • Newspaper and magazine publishing • Radio broadcasting • Television broadcasting • Internet publishing and broadcasting for news media purposes • Internet service providers, web search portals and data processing services • Production, broadcast and distribution of telecommunication and the infrastructure (including critical IT) required to support critical functions, such as law enforcement, public safety, medical or other critical industries and where it cannot be undertaken virtually • Feature film, television and documentary (excluding television commercials, student and corporate productions) that is already in physical production and operating as a closed set and post-production relating to it 	
FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Depository Financing • Financial Asset Investing • Insurance and Superannuation Funds • Auxiliary Finance and Insurance Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank branches • Critical banking services to support the provision of services, credit and payment facilities, including the functioning of all operational, treasury, distribution, reporting, communications, monitoring, maintenance, corporate, support and other functions 	
RENTAL HIRING AND REAL ESTATE SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rental and Hiring Services, except where specified as permitted to operate • Property Operators and Real Estate Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services related to property settlement or end-of-lease (including removalists) • Rental and hiring services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • where supporting a permitted service or industry • where required for emergency maintenance • Farm animal and bloodstock leasing 	
PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal and Accounting Services • Advertising Services • Market Research and Statistical Services • Management and Related Consulting Services • Professional Photographic Services • Other Professional, Scientific and Technical Services • Computer System Design and Related Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals undertaking professional, scientific and technical services if involved in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 (e.g. MedTech research including vaccines) • Hazard monitoring and resilience • Biosecurity and public health • Medical or other research, which cannot be shut down and requires on site attendance • Critical scientific facilities – for critical scientific experiments, labs, collections • Architecture, surveying, building inspection and engineering services, where required on site for permitted construction 	

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment Services • Travel Agency and Tour Arrangement Services • Office Administrative Services • Document Preparation Services • Credit Reporting and Debt Collection Services • Call Centre Operation (standard) • Other Administrative Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building and grounds maintenance, cleaning, pest control and packaging where providing support to an essential industry or where required to maintain the health and safety of Victorians at home or at work • Call centres providing critical services – e.g. Police Assistance Line • Employment services that cannot be delivered online 	
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND SAFETY		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public administration where it cannot be undertaken from home (including Medicare and Centrelink) • Justice (see below specific detail) • Law enforcement • Defence and national security (including defence contractors for allied governments) • Public order, safety and regulatory services • Emergency services, including bushfire prevention and management including relief services • Road and maritime services <p>Justice Specific:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judges, Associate-Judges, Judicial Registrars, Magistrates, Coroners, Tribunal Members and their offices for urgent or priority court or tribunal matters determined by the relevant head of jurisdiction, including for bail, family violence, remand, child protection, warrants and urgent guardianships, human rights or residential tenancies issues or any other priority matters • To the extent necessary to support the functioning of the court, tribunal and dispute services mentioned above: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Public Prosecutions and the Office of Public Prosecutions • Defence lawyers, Victoria Legal Aid, the Child Protection litigation office, Aboriginal legal services and other legal assistance providers • Courts Services Victoria, court support services and court registry services including security, cleaning and interpreter services • Other lawyers • Bail justices • Office of the Public Advocate guardians for high priority, highly vulnerable citizens and relevant staff • Justices of the Peace only as urgently required noting the voluntary nature of their role • All systems support, maintenance and operation services required for DJCS and Victoria Police to support, maintain and operate Births, Deaths and Marriages, fixed traffic and mobile traffic cameras and Fines Victoria systems • Administration of justice matters by legal practitioners for their clients where the matter cannot be undertaken reasonably and/or the client cannot participate reasonably in an online communication, teleconference or by means of an audio-visual link facility. • Required pathology and forensic services <p>Correctional and youth justice facilities, community justice services, and ancillary justice services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prisons, correctional facilities and other places of custody • Facilities and services for parolees, people on post-sentence supervision and detention orders, and people on community corrections orders 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Parole Board and its supporting secretariat • Post Sentence Authority • Operation of youth justice facilities, and the provision of services, supports and supervision to children and young people in such facilities • Youth Parole Board and its supporting secretariat • Facilities and services provided for children and young people who are in Youth Justice on a supervised community order, on supervised or intensive bail, on a youth parole order, or participating in the Children’s Court Youth Diversion Service • Facilities or services specifically funded or provided by government for children and young people who are at risk of entering Youth Justice • Any health or medical services (including required for any of the previous functions under this heading) <p>Council Specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency asset work that would impact substantially on the community or create a risk to the community if it is not undertaken • Essential environmental health functions to be undertaken that protect the health and wellbeing of the community • Essential / high risk local laws enforced • Community support services required to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of vulnerable people 	
<p>EDUCATION AND TRAINING</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool Education (Early Childhood Education and Care Services) • Primary, secondary and special school education • Tertiary Education <p>Adult, Community and Other Education</p>	<p>Schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted to permitted workers and vulnerable children (e.g. those in out of home care or known to child protection, medically/socially vulnerable children) • Specialist schools: restricted to permitted workers and vulnerable children • Remote learning for all students <p>Early Childhood Education and Care (including Sessional Kindergarten, Long Day Care, Outside School Hours Care, Family Day Care)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted to permitted workers and vulnerable children (e.g. those in out of home care or known to child protection, medically/socially vulnerable children, Koori children) • Remote learning for all children <p>Tertiary: Qualifications or credentials servicing the following occupations and activities are permitted to be delivered on-site, only where remote delivery is not possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessments for safe working practice and infection control • Apprentices in approved construction • Clinical health and biomedical science • Commercial cleaning • Aged and disability care • Mandatory assessments for VCE and VCAL students 	<p>On-site supervision will be available for P-10 students in the following categories, based on revised criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • children whose parents work in one of the defined essential continuing industries • vulnerable children including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • children in out-of-home care • children deemed by Child Protection and/or Family Services to be at risk of harm • children identified by the school as vulnerable (including via referral from a family violence agency, homelessness or youth justice service or mental health or other health service). • children with a disability who also fit one of the above two categories, or where the family is experiencing severe stress. • Onsite attendance permitted for completion of mandatory assessments by students and staff • Onsite attendance permitted for essential cleaning, maintenance and business operations functions <p>For education settings attendance on-site in these settings will be permitted where the purpose is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • maintain and continue medical and other research that requires on-site attendance • care for animals, agriculture and horticulture • conduct cleaning, essential maintenance (including facilities, equipment and IT) and provide security <p>provide practical student support, where this cannot be done remotely</p>

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HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elective surgery (non-urgent) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All public and private health services, including; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitals • Community-based health services • Ambulance and paramedics • Non-emergency patient transfer • Aged care services and retirement villages • Alcohol and other drug services • Mental Health Services • Primary health services, including General Practitioners and pharmacy related services • Blood and breast milk bank • Laboratories, pathology and diagnostic services • Maternal and Child Health • Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations • All AHPRA registered health workers - and in addition, social work, speech pathology, dietetics and any other health worker required to fulfil a care plan endorsed by NDIS, TAC, Workcover or DVA - to provide services that prevent a significant change/deterioration in functional independence necessitating escalation of care (e.g. a requirement for specialist input/review, an increase in care needs and/or alternate accommodation, avoiding a hospital admission or emergency department presentation). • Dentists for urgent care • Medical specialists where urgent specialist consultation is required • IVF services • Immunisation services • COVID-19 testing facilities • Any other services related to the COVID-19 health response • Telehealth services • All community services and the necessary support services that enable their functioning, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Protection services • Residential care services • Disability services • Homelessness services • Family violence and sexual assault services • Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations • Agencies carrying out essential relief activities, including Neighbourhood Houses • End of life services, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funeral, crematorium and cemetery services, mortuaries and morgues <p>All administrative, system support, asset work, security, cleaning and maintenance (e.g. waste), environmental health services, as they relate to above listed health and community services</p>	

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ARTS AND RECREATION SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Museum Operation • Parks and Gardens Operations • Creative and Performing Arts Activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoos and nature reserves are permitted to operate for the purposes of treating or caring for animals; or performing an animal rescue function; or maintaining the facility/reserve. 	
OTHER SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brothel Keeping and Prostitution Services, Sex on premises venues • Strip clubs • Civic Professional and Other Interest Group Services • Religious services and places of worship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car parks supporting permitted workers and industries • Urgent / emergency residential repair and maintenance • Essential maintenance for safety and upkeep of public and recreational spaces, such as parks, gardens, golf courses • Automotive, machinery and equipment repair and maintenance are permitted to operate where providing support to a permitted service or industry or where required to maintain the health and safety of Victorians at home or at work • Labour hire when servicing a permitted workplace • Security services where required for the safety of a permitted workplace • Places of worship for permitted funerals, hosting an essential public support service, broadcast (with restrictions) • Thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing, with necessary participants only • Elite sport facilities for the training of professional and high-performance sports persons only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thoroughbred, Harness and Greyhound racing can continue in Victoria under strict biosecurity protocols with the minimum number of essential participants necessary to undertake the activity safely. The daily care and exercise of all horse breeds and greyhounds can continue, including to support racing, trialling and training, breeding and re-homing. • Residential and commercial services that were booked before 5pm 3 August and are scheduled to be carried out before 5pm 17 August, that are essential to the wellbeing or livelihood, will be permitted. All activity will be subject to a High Risk COVID Safe Plan. • Places of worship for the broadcast of religious ceremonies with a maximum of five people. <p>Places of worship or other community facilities for community purposes (e.g. Foodbank, soup kitchens)</p>

Further Information

For more information, please contact your Hawker Britton consultant, Victorian Director, JP Blandthorn on +61 407 366 304 or Policy and Business Analyst, Raphael Mengem at rmengem@hawkerbritton.com.

Further Hawker Britton Occasional Papers on the activities of the Victorian Government are available [here](#).

For further coverage of Labor Government Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic see Hawker Britton Briefs [here](#). For further coverage of Liberal Government Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic see Barton Deakin Briefs [here](#).

