

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2006

DIRECTIONS IN RELATION TO PERSONS ARRIVING IN TASMANIA (GENERAL)

A state of emergency has been declared in Tasmania in response to the coronavirus disease COVID-19 which poses a significant risk to the health and safety of Tasmanians. In the exercise of emergency powers authorised under Section 40 of the *Emergency Management Act 2006* and pursuant to clauses 1(1)(b), 1(1)(q) and 1(1)(t) of Schedule 1 to the Act, I make the following directions:

1. These directions apply to every person who arrives in Tasmania who is not an affected person.
2. Every person who arrives in Tasmania from a departure point outside of Tasmania, is required to answer any question asked by an authorised officer or to provide any document or other information required by an authorised officer that is in the control of the person.
3. Every person who arrives in Tasmania from a departure point outside of Tasmania, is required to isolate himself or herself for 14 days at an accommodation facility specified to them by an authorised officer under the *Emergency Management Act* and:
 - a. Comply with any lawful directions given to them by an authorised officer during the period they are required to remain in isolation at an accommodation facility, and



- b. Remain in the room provided to them at the accommodation facility specified to them for the period they are required to remain in isolation, unless permitted to leave their room by an authorised officer.

- 4. Direction 3 does not apply to an unaccompanied person arriving in Tasmania who is under the age of 18 years. Such a person must isolate himself or herself at a private residence or other premises approved by the Deputy State Controller. Persons to whom this Direction applies are required to comply with Direction 6 as if they were a Tasmanian resident and the premises they are approved to isolate at is their residence.

- 5. The Deputy State Controller may, upon application, authorise a person subject to Direction 3 to isolate himself or herself for 14 days at a private residence or other premises. Persons given such an authorisation are required to comply with Direction 6 as if they were a Tasmanian resident and the premises they are authorised to isolate at is their residence.

- 6. Direction 3 does not apply to a Tasmanian resident. Such a person is required to:
 - a. Transit directly between their point of arrival in Tasmania and their residence and comply with any directions given to them by an authorised officer in relation to their transit; and
 - b. Remain in, or at, that residence for a period of 14 days unless:
 - i. For the purpose of attending premises to obtain medical care and the person –



- (A) travels directly to those premises, and
 - (B) returns directly to their residence after obtaining that care; or
 - ii. In an emergency situation that requires the person to leave their residence to protect his or her personal safety, or the safety of another, and the person –
 - (A) immediately returns to their residence once the emergency situation has passed, or
 - (B) once the emergency situation has passed, travels directly to other premises that are suitable for the person to reside in until the expiration of the 14 days; or
 - iii. For the purpose of leaving Tasmania, in which case the person is required to travel directly from their residence to the point of departure and observe the hygiene practices described at paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of Annexure A during transit; or
 - iv. Permitted to leave by an authorised officer and the person complies with any lawful directions given to them by an authorised officer; and
- c. Isolate themselves from physical contact with all persons other than persons with whom they ordinarily reside for the period of 14 days; and
- d. Comply with the directions specified in paragraphs (a), (b)(iii), (c), (d) and (e) of Annexure A for the period of 14 days.

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7. Direction 6 does not apply if the Tasmanian resident:

- a. Has arrived in Australia from overseas within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania; or
- b. Disembarked from a cruise ship within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania; or
- c. Has COVID-19; or
- d. Has, within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania, had close contact with a person diagnosed as having COVID-19.

Such a person is subject to Direction 3.

8. Direction 7 does not apply to unaccompanied persons returning to Tasmania who are under the age of 18 years. Such persons are subject to Direction 6.

9. Directions 3 and 6 do not apply to persons who are specified in the attached Schedule unless that person:

- a. has COVID-19 or has, within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania, had close contact with a person diagnosed as having COVID-19; or
- b. has arrived in Australia from overseas within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania; or
- c. disembarked from a cruise ship within 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania; or
- d. on arrival in Tasmania is displaying any clinical symptoms of COVID-19, or has displayed any such symptoms within 72 hours prior to his or her arrival.

Such persons are subject to Direction 3.



10. Persons who are not subject to Directions 3 or 6 by virtue of Direction 9 are required to comply with the directions specified in Annexure A for a period of 14 days of their arrival in Tasmania and any additional requirements imposed by the Deputy State Controller and notified to them in writing.
11. Direction 10 does not apply to maritime crew members granted an exemption by the Deputy State Controller under Item 8 of the Schedule. Such persons are required to comply with any conditions imposed on the exemption granted to them.
12. If, on arrival in Tasmania, it is not possible to verify/determine whether a person falls within the attached Schedule, Direction 3 applies to that person until his or her status as a Specified Person is verified/determined.
13. Every person who arrives in Tasmania from a departure point outside of Tasmania is required to comply with any directions of the Director of Public Health under Section 16 of the *Public Health Act 1997* applicable to persons arriving in Tasmania. A person who fails to comply with any such directions is subject to Direction 3 unless they elect to immediately leave Tasmania, in which case they are required to comply with any direction of an authorised officer concerning their departure from Tasmania.

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Definitions

Affected Person has the definition as described in the “Directions in relation to persons arriving in Tasmania from Affected Regions and Premises” made by me on 9 October 2020.

Clinical symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- (i) Temperature of $\geq 37.5^{\circ}$;
- (ii) Night sweats and/or chills;
- (iii) Cough, shortness of breath, sore throat;
- (iv) Loss of taste or smell.

Tasmanian resident includes:

- (i) A person who ordinarily resides in Tasmania;
- (ii) A person who owns a residential property in Tasmania and intends to reside at that property;
- (iii) A person who has leased a residential property in Tasmania on commercial terms and intends to reside at that property;
- (iv) A spouse or de facto partner of a person referred to in paragraphs (ii) or (iii);
- (v) A child of a person referred to in paragraphs (ii) or (iii) who is under the age of 18 years.



These directions take effect immediately and continue in force until further notice.

The directions in relation to persons arriving in Tasmania (General) which were made by me on 9 October 2020 are hereby revoked.

Dated this 15 day of October 2020 at 1:00 ~~am~~ pm

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Deputy State Controller
Delegate of the State Controller

SCHEDULE - SPECIFIED PERSONS

1. National and State Security and Governance

- a. Any person who, in the carriage of his or her duties, is responsible for the safety of the Nation or Tasmania against threats such as terrorism, war, or espionage or acts of foreign interference and is required to be present in Tasmania for such purposes, and any persons assisting such persons; and
- b. Active Military personnel required to perform time-critical duties in Tasmania and which require the person to be physically present in Tasmania; and
- c. member of the Commonwealth Parliament who is ordinarily resident in Tasmania.

2. Health Services

- a. A clinician in relation to health who is ordinarily resident in Tasmania and who is requested by the Secretary of the Department of Health, or his or her delegate, to return to Tasmania to present for duty in Tasmania; and
- b. A clinician in relation to health who is requested by the Secretary of the Department of Health, or his or her delegate, to present for duty in Tasmania to perform, during the period in which the person will be present in Tasmania, duties unable to be appropriately performed by a person ordinarily resident in Tasmania.

3. Transport, freight and logistics

- a. Any person who, in the carriage of his or her duties, is responsible for the provision of transport or freight and logistics into, within, and out of Tasmania; and
- b. Flight crew and ship crew –
for the purpose of delivery of persons, freight or logistics into, within and out of Tasmania.



4. Specialist skills critical to maintaining key industries or businesses

- a. Any specialists required for industry or business continuity and maintenance of competitive operations where the appropriate skills are not available in Tasmania, where the service is time-critical and where the provision of the service requires that the person be physically present in Tasmania; and
- b. Any person who, in the carriage of his or her duties, is responsible, while in Tasmania, for critical maintenance or repair of infrastructure critical to Tasmania.

5. Persons transporting patients, organs and tissues

- a. A person who, in the course of his or her duties, participates in the aeromedical delivery, transport or retrieval of patients, organs or tissues into, or out of, Tasmania.

6. Police officers

- a. A member of the Tasmania Police Service returning to Tasmania from travel in the course of their duties; and
- b. Members of the Australia Federal Police or a police force or police service of another State or a Territory of the Commonwealth travelling to Tasmania in the course of their duties.

8. Other persons, or classes of persons, approved by the Deputy State Controller

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ANNEXURE A

(a) Monitor himself or herself for:

- i. any clinical symptoms of COVID-19, and
- ii. sudden and unexplained:
 - i. fatigue,
 - ii. runny nose,
 - iii. muscle pain,
 - iv. joint pain,
 - v. diarrhea,
 - vi. nausea/vomiting, or
 - vii. loss of appetite; and

(b) If he or she believes that he or she is displaying a symptom referred to in paragraph (a)(i) or (a)(ii) –

- (i) cease to attend a place, other than a place referred to in subparagraph (ii), for the purposes of work; and
- (ii) as far as is reasonably practicable without putting his or her survival at risk, remain in, or return and remain in –
 - (A) the premises that are his or her ordinary place of residence within Tasmania; or
 - (B) other premises within Tasmania that are suitable for the person to reside-
except as necessary to attend at premises, nominated by his or her medical practitioner or the advisor on the Public Health Hotline, for the purposes of being tested for the presence of the disease; and
- (iii) contact the Public Health Hotline, or a medical practitioner, to determine whether to be tested or assessed for infection by the disease; and



- (c) Cover his or her mouth when coughing or sneezing; and
- (d) Use disposable tissues and dispose of such tissues, after use, in a waste receptacle that other people will not touch except if protected from contact with the receptacle or its contents; and
- (e) Wash his or her hands frequently and thoroughly with soap, or an alcohol-based sanitizing chemical, especially after using a toilet, before and after eating and before and after returning from outdoors; and
- (f) Maintain, where practicable, physical distancing of at least 1.5 metres from other persons; and
- (g) If the person –
 - (i) is within a category referred to in item 2 or 5 of the Schedule to this direction; or
 - (ii) is otherwise in close contact with a person who, by virtue of the characteristics of the person, ought reasonably be regarded as especially vulnerable to infection or serious illness due to the disease (a “vulnerable person”) –ensure that he or she, at all times when engaged in the provision of health services or health care to persons, or in close proximity to a vulnerable person, wears a surgical mask or wears other personal protective equipment that is normally worn during such contact by persons engaged in the provision of those health services or that health care.

