

# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ROADMAP FOR EASING COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

STEP 1 - FROM 11 MAY

Frequently Asked Questions

## Emergency Management (Non-essential business and other activities No 7) (COVID-19) Direction 2020

South Australia assesses the current situation based on the Prime Minister and the National Cabinet's positions, and advice from SA Health on the specific circumstances in our state.

On 8 May 2020, National Cabinet agreed to a first phase of easing certain COVID-19 restrictions. Based on expert advice by the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee, National Cabinet decided that states and territories should determine how to implement this in response to their unique circumstances and success to date in flattening the curve.

This Direction will be the first to begin a process of easing restrictions. Step 2 of easing of restrictions is expected to start from 5 June 2020, subject to public health performance and the State Co-ordinator's assessment of the situation at that time.

This new Direction will replace the previous one (No 6), and will enter into effect on 22 May 2020.

### **Density requirement, social distancing principles and health advice remain in place**

While the aforementioned restrictions are being eased, the following requirements, principles and advice continue to apply to most activities covered by this direction:

- **Density requirement:** the number of people in any separate or enclosed space may not exceed 1 person per 4 square metres
- **Social distancing principle:** people must use their best endeavours to maintain a space of at least 1.5 metres between themselves and each other person present in the same location

Additionally, any people, businesses or organisations involved with the activities covered by this Direction are encouraged to:

- Ensure good hand and coughing hygiene is practiced and encouraged
- Undertake frequent environmental disinfection cleaning
- Minimise the number of people present

**Note: Breaches of any of the restrictions detailed in this Direction can lead to a \$5000 on the spot fine for a business and a \$1000 on the spot fine for an individual.**

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### ***Can I open my restaurant, café, bar or hotel?***

Yes. Indoor and outdoor dining is allowed with a maximum of 10 patrons seated in an indoor dining area and 10 patrons seated in an outdoor dining area. This is the maximum number of patrons regardless of how many dining areas/spaces you have.

If you have a liquor licence, you can sell alcohol in conjunction with a meal. Patrons can approach a bar to order but cannot sit at a bar to eat.

People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***Are restaurants attached to wineries allowed to open?***

Yes. Indoor and outdoor dining is allowed with a maximum of 10 patrons seated in an indoor dining area and 10 patrons seated in an outdoor dining area. This is the maximum regardless of how many dining areas/spaces you have.

If you have a liquor licence, you can sell alcohol in conjunction with a meal. Patrons can approach a bar to order but cannot sit or stand at a bar to eat or drink.

People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***We run a cellar door, can we open?***

Cellar doors could open previously, sell takeaway food and alcohol, but no tastings. If you want to sell alcohol to be consumed onsite, it must be seated with a meal.

### ***Can we serve alcohol and food at our sporting club?***

Yes. Indoor and outdoor dining is allowed with a maximum of 10 patrons seated in an indoor dining area and 10 patrons seated in an outdoor dining area. This is the maximum regardless of how many dining areas/spaces you have.

If you have a liquor licence, you can sell alcohol in conjunction with a meal. Patrons can approach a bar to order but cannot sit or stand at a bar to eat or drink.

People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***Can I go to the drive-in? And will I be able to purchase food?***

Yes. Drive-ins can open from Friday 22 May. Food and beverages can be sold and consumed on premise provided they are taken back to cars to consume.

### ***Can I open the buffet bar at my hotel?***

No, you cannot open communal food or beverage service areas (such as buffets, salad bars or communal water/beverage dispensers).

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### ***Can I purchase food and beverage and sit to eat in a food court?***

No. You are not permitted to sit and eat and drink at indoor food courts within shopping centres, or shopping or business precincts, or indoor markets.

### ***What's the difference between indoor, outdoor and substantially closed dining?***

***Indoor:*** means an area, room, vehicle or place used by the premises that is substantially enclosed by a ceiling and walls, regardless of whether the ceiling or walls or any part of them are permanent or temporary or open or closed.

***Outdoor:*** means an area used by the premises that is not indoors.

***Substantially enclosed:*** an area, room, vehicle or place is substantially enclosed by a ceiling and walls if the combined area of the ceiling (includes plastic blinds, shade sails and umbrellas) and wall surface exceeds 70% of the total ceiling and wall area.

### ***If my restaurant has 10 people dining indoors and 10 people dining outdoors, can we have others waiting for takeaway?***

Yes, as long as the 1.5 metres social distancing is adhered to.

### ***Can I go to restaurant and just order a wine/beer/cocktail?***

No, you must purchase a meal to be able order any alcoholic beverage.

### ***Will indoor play centres with cafes be allowed to open?***

Indoor play centres are closed, but you can open the café part of your facility, with a maximum of 10 patrons seated in an indoor dining area and 10 patrons seated in an outdoor dining area.

People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***Can I operate my food van/truck? Can I set up seating?***

Yes. You still should practice social distancing of 1.5 metres and good hygiene practices.

### ***How many patrons can be seated indoors and outdoors at a pub/hotel/bar as of 5 June?***

More information about the specifics for Step 2 will be released closer to 5 June.

### ***How do I calculate the 1 person per 4 square metres rule?***

To calculate how many people can be in a room/premises while allowing for at least 4 square metres of space per person:

1. Measure the length of the room in metres
2. Measure the width of the room in metres
3. Multiply the length by the width to calculate the area of the room in square metres.
4. Divide the area of the room by 4 to calculate the maximum number of people allowed.

### **Example, you own a café:**

Length = 5.00 metres

Width = 8.00 metres

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Square metres = 40.00 (5.00m x 8.00m)  
Maximum number of people = 10 (40.00 ÷ 4)

Keep in mind, the maximum limit for people in a café dining inside is 10 and outside is 10. So even if the size of your space is big enough to hold 100 people with 4 square metres of space per person, you must adhere to the 10 patron maximum.

### ***Can I go to an outside gym?***

Councils are now re-opening some outside gyms. You should comply with any instructions the council is imposing. If the outside gym remains closed for now, do not use it. Outdoor exercise groups cannot exceed 10 people. The social distancing principles must still be adhered to. You should also follow good hygiene practices.

### ***Can I go to the skate park?***

Yes, local skate parks are open. However, gatherings should be of 10 or less people at any time, and you still should practice social distancing of 1.5 metres and good hygiene practices.

### ***Can I take my dog to the dog park?***

Yes, local dog parks are open. However, gatherings should be of 10 or less people at any time, and you still should practice social distancing of 1.5 metres and good hygiene practices.

### ***Can I go to a recreation centre (community centre/hall, club, indoor sporting venue, RSL club)?***

Recreation centres are allowed to operate for public gatherings of a maximum of up to 10 people. Density requirements and social distancing principles continue to apply.

Some facilities are also open for the purpose of hosting essential voluntary or public services, such as food banks or homeless services.

They will also still be allowed to provide goods, food and beverages to take away.

### ***Can I go to a golf course?***

Some golf courses remain open, but you still need to follow the 1.5 metre social distancing rule, and you may have no more than 10 people participating in any one group. The density requirement also continues to apply.

### ***Can I go to the gym or fitness centre (including barre, yoga, and spin facilities)?***

No, these facilities are currently still closed but they have been identified in the Step 2 of easing restrictions, which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***Can I have a family picnic at my local park?***

Yes, local parks are open. However, gatherings should be of 10 or less people at any time, and you still should practice social distancing of 1.5 metres and good hygiene practices.

Hiking and other recreational activities are also allowed in national, state and local parks, as long as any group is limited to 10 people.

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### ***Can I organise or attend a funeral?***

Funerals can still occur in South Australia.

From 11 May, the maximum number of mourners that is allowed to attend is 20 if the funeral is held indoors and 30 if it is held outdoors. This excludes those officiating the funeral, and other staff necessary to undertake the funeral.

The density requirement and social distancing principles continue to apply.

No food or beverages are to be provided for consumption.

Attendee records must be kept, including each attendee's contact details, to assist with contact tracing if required. These may be requested by an Authorised Officer. The form will be available for download at [www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au).

The density requirement and social distancing still apply.

### ***Can I organise or attend a wedding?***

Weddings can still be conducted in South Australia and up to 10 people can attend. These 10 people includes the couple getting married but excludes the celebrant.

No food or beverages are to be provided for consumption.

Attendee records must be kept, including each attendee's contact details, to assist with contact tracing if required. These may be requested by an Authorised Officer. The form will be available for download at [www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au).

The density requirement and social distancing still apply.

### ***Can I go to the playground?***

Yes, local playgrounds are open. However, gatherings should be of 10 or less people at any time, and you still should practice social distancing of 1.5 metres and good hygiene practices.

### ***Is motorsport, horse or greyhound racing allowed?***

This restriction has remained unchanged in the latest Direction issued on 11 May.

Racing has not been banned. However, some restrictions have been put in place, including having no spectators, and adhering to social distancing and density requirements. Officials, riders and support staff cannot gather in groups greater than 10. However, there may be more than 10 officials, riders or support staff on site overall, as long as they do not gather in groups greater than 10.

### ***Can I play tennis?***

Yes, some tennis courts remain open, but you still need to follow the 1.5 metre social distance rule, and you may have no more than 10 people participating in a group.

### ***Can I train with my team outdoors? Can I participate in school, community or elite sports?***

Yes, outdoor team training is allowed, as long as you follow the 1.5 metre social distance rule, and you have no more than 10 people participating in a group.

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Note: This means that there may be multiple groups of up to 10 people participating in particular activities at the same venue (provided that the density requirement is complied with and an appropriate distance is maintained between groups). Groups of 10 should train together and not intermingle or change players and coaches during training where there are multiple groups at the same venue.

Additionally, school, community and elite sports will now all be allowed to recommence as long as it is outdoors, for training purposes only, and in groups of 10 people or less.

Indoor sports and sports competitions will remain prohibited for now.

People are encouraged to limit the number of people in any location as much as possible (for example: no more than 1 parent per child), to get changed and shower at home, and practice good hand hygiene.

Sports clubs and organisations are encouraged to increase the frequency of environmental and disinfection cleaning.

### ***Can I train with a personal trainer or participate in a boot camp?***

You can train with a personal trainer in an outdoor training session or boot camp but there can be no more than 10 people present. The social distancing principles and density requirement continue to apply. Sharing of equipment is discouraged. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own equipment. Where this is not possible, equipment should be disinfected between each use.

### ***Can I go to a food court?***

Food courts are closed to seated patrons, but can provide take away food to be eaten away from the premises. This restriction has remained unchanged in the latest Direction issued on 11 May.

### ***Can I go to a licenced hotel, bar or club?***

No, all hotels, bars and clubs are closed to patrons. However, as outlined below, they can provide goods, food and beverages to take away or for delivery to the purchaser. They can also still provide accommodation services.

### ***Can I get takeaway from a hotel, bar or club?***

Yes, take away food and beverages to be consumed away from the premises can be purchased. This includes being collected by the purchaser or delivered to their home.

### ***Can I go to a cellar door to do a wine tasting?***

No. Tastings of any kind are not permitted and consumption of any produce, alcohol or takeaway food is not permitted on-site.

### ***Can I buy food from a winery?***

Yes. Where a restaurant is attached to the winery, food may also be sold for take away and consumption off the premises. People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***Can I still buy alcohol online from a winery/brewery/distillery?***

Yes. Wineries, cellar doors, breweries and distilleries can sell alcohol online or take telephone orders for commercial delivery to consumers.

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### ***Can I go to the cinema?***

No, all indoor cinemas and movie theatres are closed.

However, cinemas and theatres have been identified to re-open in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***Can I go to the casino, or a gaming or gambling outlet?***

No, all casinos, gaming or gambling outlets are closed. This restriction has remained unchanged in the latest Direction issued on 11 May.

### ***Can I go to a concert or performance?***

No, all concerts, performances and function centres have been closed.

Live performances are allowed for the purpose of recording or streaming by a group of less than 10 people. People present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

### ***Can I go to Cleland Wildlife Park?***

Yes, Cleland Wildlife Park has re-opened. Visitors must adhere to the 1.5 metres social distancing principle and maintain good hygiene practices.

### ***Can I go to the public swimming pool?***

All types of water activities at the swimming pool are permitted as long as the following requirements are complied with:

- there is a maximum of 20 swimmers in each separate pool at any time (groups of no more than 10).
- no spectators are permitted, except for up to one parent/carer per swimmer if necessary
- there is a maximum of one person per lane for lap swimming.
- change and shower facilities are not permitted to be used (but toilet facilities may be made available).
- no swimmer at the premises is accompanied by more than 1 caregiver who is not swimming.

### ***Can I do water aerobics at the local swimming pool?***

Yes, provided that the total number of people does not exceed 10 and the density requirement is complied with.

### ***Can I go to an art gallery/museum?***

No, art galleries and museums are still closed.

However, galleries and museums have been identified to re-open in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

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### ***Can I go to the hairdresser?***

Yes, if the hairdresser complies with the density requirement and maintains good hygiene practices.

### ***Can I visit a historic site?***

No, historic sites are still closed.

However, these sites have been identified to re-open in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***Can I go to the council library?***

Yes. A maximum of 10 patrons may attend the library at any one time. The limit of 10 patrons is excluding any library staff.

However, interactive exhibitions must remain closed and toys must not be accessible/loaned.

Social distancing principles and density requirements also still apply.

### ***Can I visit a church, mosque or other place of worship?***

Places of worship are allowed to be open, as long as no more than 10 people attend at any one time.

Places of worship or organisers of religious gatherings must keep records of each attendee to each ceremony, service or gathering, including the contact details of each attendee, to assist with contact tracing if required.

Religious gatherings, private worship or small religious ceremonies of up to 10 people will now be allowed. Social distancing principles and density requirements continue to apply.

Larger services continue to be prohibited.

### ***Can I stay at a hotel?***

Hotels, hostels, bed and breakfasts, boarding houses and other accommodation providers are still able to provide accommodation services. However, people present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres and the 1.5 metres social distancing must be adhered to.

Importantly, non-essential regional travel within South Australia is no longer discouraged. As such, you can visit regional South Australia for holiday purposes, to visit friends or family, and so forth. Interstate and international travel is still restricted.

### ***Can I stay at a caravan park or campsite?***

Caravan parks and camp sites are still able to provide accommodation. However, people present must not exceed more than 1 person per 4 square metres.

Importantly, non-essential regional travel within South Australia is no longer discouraged. As such, you can visit regional South Australia for holiday purposes, to visit friends or family, and so forth. Interstate and international travel is still restricted.

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### ***Can I go to a beauty salon, such as a nail salon, tattoo parlour etc?***

No, beauty salons, such as a nail salons and tattoo parlours are still closed.

However, these businesses have been identified to re-open in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***Can I go to a sauna, spa or bathhouse?***

No, saunas, spas and bathhouses are closed.

This restriction has remained unchanged in the latest Direction issued on 11 May.

### ***Can I get a massage?***

Massage parlours are closed. However, remedial or therapeutic massage and myotherapy services provided in a clinical or health care setting may continue.

However, these businesses have been identified to re-open in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***I work at a gym. Can I do live streaming and create video content at my gym?***

Indoor gyms are closed to members or consumers, but yes, you can film / live stream from the gym premises as long as there is a group of less than 10 people and the density requirement is complied with (1 person per 4 square metres).

### ***I own a roadhouse? Can I operate?***

Truck stops and roadhouses can provide food, beverages and facilities to truck drivers that meet the Essential Traveller exemption. Truck drivers may use facilities and sit in for dining purposes. You are only permitted to provide facilities and dining to truck drivers only, provided social distancing and density requirements (1 person per 4 square metres) rules are observed.

### ***I am a Driving Instructor and Authorised Examiner for cars. Can I still conduct driving lessons?***

No. You cannot conduct in-vehicle driver training and testing conducted by Motor Driving Instructors and Authorised Examiners in cars (light vehicles).

However, driving lessons have been identified to re-commence in Step 2 of easing the restrictions which is scheduled to occur from 5 June (subject to public health performance at that time).

### ***I am a Driving Instructor and Authorised Examiner for vehicle class's Light Rigid, Medium Rigid, Heavy Rigid, Heavy Combination and Multi Combination, (heavy vehicles). Can I still conduct driving lessons?***

Yes, Motor Driving Instructors and Authorised Examiners for vehicle class's Light Rigid, Medium Rigid, Heavy Rigid, Heavy Combination and Multi Combination, (heavy vehicles) can continue operating.

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### ***I own a shisha bar. Can I operate?***

No. Any shisha, smoking or vaping business operation involving the use of re-usable equipment such as 'hookah' or other pipes, tubes, heads or any other equipment associated with this type of business, including any equipment supplied for use offsite, e.g. as hire or lend cannot operate.

### ***Can house sales be conducted via auction and are open inspections allowed?***

In-person open house inspections and real estate auctions are allowed, but the number of attendees must be restricted to a maximum of 10 participants at any time.

This number excludes the auctioneer, real estate agent or host, as well as any staff necessary to facilitate the activity. People are encouraged to minimise the number of people present at all times.

People who organise or host auctions or open house inspections must keep records of each attendee to each separate auction or open inspection, including the contact details of each attendee, to assist with contact tracing if required. These may be requested by an Authorised Officer. The form will be available for download at [www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au).

Social distancing principles and the density requirement continue to apply.

Participants are encouraged to adopt good hand hygiene practices and the organiser(s) or host(s) should arrange appropriate and frequent environmental cleaning and disinfection.