

Schedule 2—Essential travellers—restricted

1—National and State security and governance—prescribed area residents

- (1) Any person who—
 - (a) is ordinarily resident in a prescribed area; and
 - (b) in the conduct of their role in relation to the protection of Australia or South Australia from threats such as terrorism, war, espionage, or acts of foreign interference is required to be physically present in South Australia for that purpose; and
 - (c) has the written approval of their manager (being of an executive level or higher) or an officer of a military or defence organisation.
- (2) Active military and Defence Department personnel (including civilian staff and private contractors) and personnel required to support time-critical national security and defence activities—
 - (a) who are ordinarily resident in a prescribed area; and
 - (b) who are required to be physically present in South Australia in the conduct of their duties; and
 - (c) whose organisation has undergone risk mitigation strategies; and
 - (d) who have the written approval of their manager (being of an executive level or higher) or an officer of a military or defence organisation.

Note—

Evidence of an approval under this clause is required.

2—Health services

Persons who are approved by the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing, the South Australian Chief Public Health Officer or a deputy Chief Public Health Officer to assist in the provision of health services (including aeromedical personnel).

Note—

Evidence of an approval to assist in the provision of health services under this clause is required.

3—Specialist workers in essential sectors

- (1) Individual specialist workers required for the purposes of maintaining operations in an essential sector if their employer is applying risk mitigation strategies during periods of work in accordance with a risk mitigation plan relating to COVID-19 approved by the Department for Health and Wellbeing (SA) and—
 - (a) in relation to operations in South Australia—
 - (i) the service is time critical; and
 - (ii) the appropriate skills are not available in South Australia or the low community transmission zone; and

- (iii) the provision of the service requires that the person be physically present in South Australia; or
- (b) in relation to operations outside of South Australia—the service is time critical.

Note—

To avoid doubt, this clause does not apply to—

- (a) a person working in a health services, aged care or disability care facility (including medical practitioners (including specialists), nurses, other health or allied health practitioners or other persons performing work in such facilities) (for such persons, see clause 2 of this Schedule); or
 - (b) seasonal workers (such as forestry workers, fruit pickers or shearers) (for such persons, see subclause (2)).
- (2) Seasonal workers (such as forestry workers, fruit pickers or shearers) if—
- (a) they are—
 - (i) arriving in South Australia for seasonal work purposes as part of a group employed by an essential sector employer; or
 - (ii) returning to South Australia having travelled outside South Australia for seasonal work purposes as part of a group employed by an essential sector employer; and
 - (b) the essential sector employer applies on behalf of the group for authorisation of the group as essential travellers under this subclause; and
 - (c) the essential sector employer is applying risk mitigation strategies during periods of work in accordance with a risk mitigation plan relating to COVID-19 approved by the Department for Health and Wellbeing (SA).

- (3) In this clause—

essential sector—the following sectors are essential sectors:

- (a) mining, oil, gas, energy, water, agriculture or other primary industries;
- (b) telecommunications;
- (c) commercial construction or maintenance of critical infrastructure including but not limited to major road, rail or marine projects;

essential sector employer means an employer operating in an essential sector (or an employer carrying on the business of supplying workers to employers in an essential sector).

4—Commercial transport and freight services—prescribed area residents

Persons who—

- (a) are ordinarily resident in a prescribed area; and
- (b) in the conduct of their duties, provide transport or freight services into, within and out of South Australia (including any crew on such transport or freight services) on a commercial basis; and
- (c) and are required to be physically present in South Australia for such purposes.

Note—

A person referred to in this clause could (for example) self-quarantine by sleeping in the cabin of their truck.

5—Remote or isolated workers—work in prescribed areas

- (1) Persons who travel for work purposes to locations in a prescribed area that are remote or geographically isolated for regular periods according to established work schedules.
- (2) Persons who travel for work purposes to locations in a prescribed area that are remote or geographically isolated where—
 - (a) their employer is applying risk mitigation strategies during periods of work, and
 - (b) the person is a specialist required for industry or business continuity and maintenance of competitive operations, or maintenance or repair of critical infrastructure in the mining, oil, gas and energy sectors.

6—Remote or isolated workers—prescribed area residents who enter South Australia

- (1) Persons who are ordinarily resident in a prescribed area and who enter South Australia for work purposes at locations that are remote or geographically isolated for regular periods according to established work schedules.
- (2) Persons who are ordinarily resident in a prescribed area and who enter South Australia for work purposes at locations that are remote or geographically isolated where—
 - (a) their employer is applying risk mitigation strategies during periods of work, and
 - (b) the person is a specialist required for industry or business continuity and maintenance of competitive operations, or maintenance or repair of critical infrastructure in the mining, oil, gas and energy sectors.

7—Urgent medical, dental or health treatment

- (1) Persons who travel to South Australia for the receipt of urgent medical, dental or other health treatment with the approval of the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing, the South Australian Chief Public Health Officer or a deputy Chief Public Health Officer.

Note—

Evidence of an approval under this clause is required.

- (2) A person who accompanies the person referred to in subclause (1) for the purpose of providing care and support.
- (3) Nothing in this clause is intended to prevent a person from accessing treatment in the case of an emergency.

8—Passing through

Persons entering South Australia who are passing through the State by the most direct and practical route and means, if the person—

- (a) has permission (if relevant) to enter the State or Territory that they are passing through South Australia to enter; and

- (b) does not remain in South Australia for more than 72 hours; and
- (c) does not remain overnight or for periods longer than one hour in the townships of Coober Pedy, Ceduna or Port Augusta other than to obtain take away food, groceries, petrol or other fuel, or supplies; and
- (d) avoids any non-essential contact with people in South Australia other than to obtain food, petrol or other fuel, or supplies.

Note—

Evidence of a permission to enter another State or Territory under this clause is required

9—Compassionate grounds

- (1) Persons who are entering South Australia from a prescribed area for compassionate purposes if—
 - (a) they have the approval of the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing, the South Australian Chief Public Health Officer or a deputy Chief Public Health Officer; and
 - (b) in the case of a person proposing to visit a health care, disability care or residential aged care facility—the relevant facility approves the proposed visit.
- (2) Persons (other than those referred to in subclause (1)) who are entering South Australia for compassionate purposes.
- (3) For the purposes of subclauses (1) and (2), the following are *compassionate purposes*:
 - (a) the purpose of visiting a critically or terminally ill member of the person's immediate family; or
 - (b) the purposes of end of life support for a member of the person's immediate family who is a resident of a residential aged care facility for whom death is imminent (likely within 2 weeks).
- (4) In this clause—

domestic partner means a person who is a domestic partner within the meaning of the *Family Relationships Act 1975*, whether declared as such under that Act or not;

immediate family, of a person, means—

- (a) a spouse or domestic partner; or
- (b) a parent; or
- (c) a grandparent; or
- (d) a child (including an adult child); or
- (e) a grandchild (including an adult grandchild); or
- (f) a brother or sister,

and includes a person who is a member of the immediate family of the person's spouse or domestic partner;

spouse—a person is the spouse of another if they are legally married.

Note—

Persons who claim to be essential travellers under this clause may be required to provide evidence that they fall within the scope of this clause.

10—Foreign diplomatic or consular staff

Foreign diplomatic or consular staff (including Honorary consular staff) accredited by the Commonwealth Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade travelling to South Australia to perform official duties.

11—Self quarantine requirements for essential travellers under this Schedule

- (1) Subject to this clause, an essential traveller under this Schedule (other than clause 5 (Remote or isolated workers—work in prescribed areas) or 6 (Remote or isolated workers—prescribed area residents who enter South Australia)) for the purpose of performing duties, functions or activities specified in this Schedule must comply with the self-quarantine requirements under Schedule 4 at all times during which the person is not—
 - (a) performing those duties, functions or activities; or
 - (b) travelling to or from the place at which they are performing those duties, functions or activities.
- (2) An essential traveller under clause 3(1)(b) (Individual Specialist Worker in an Essential Sector who travels to a prescribed area to work) must comply with the self-quarantine requirements under Schedule 4 on their return to South Australia after travelling under that clause.
- (3) An essential traveller under clause 3(2) (Seasonal Worker in an Essential Sector)—
 - (a) must comply with the self-quarantine requirements under Schedule 4 on their entry; and
 - (b) must comply with the self-quarantine requirements under Schedule 4 on their return to South Australia after travelling under that clause.
- (4) An essential traveller under clause 6 (Remote or isolated workers—prescribed area residents who enter South Australia) entering South Australia for work purposes must comply, so far as is reasonably practicable, with the self-quarantine requirements under Schedule 4 at all times during which the person is not working.

Note—

This means that, subject to the exemption in subclause (7), a person who is ordinarily resident in New South Wales or the Greater Brisbane Area and who enters South Australia for work purposes at a remote or geographically isolated location is required, so far as is reasonably practicable, to self-quarantine when not working.

- (5) An essential traveller required to self-quarantine on their return to the State by virtue of the operation of subclause (2) or (3)(b) may leave South Australia during the period of self-quarantine to travel for work purposes in accordance with this Schedule.
- (6) Nothing in this direction requires an essential traveller who remains in South Australia for more than 14 continuous days following their arrival to continue to self-quarantine after the expiry of the self-quarantine period referred to in paragraph (a) of Schedule 4.

- (7) This clause only applies to essential travellers who have been in a prohibited location or the Greater Brisbane Area within the 14 days immediately preceding their arrival in South Australia.