

Statewide settings from 11.59pm Wednesday 15 December 2021



Seeing friends and family

There are no limits on the number of people you can gather with in your home or in public places (e.g. a park or a beach).

We strongly recommend that everyone who you are gathering with at your home or in a public place is fully vaccinated.



Work, education and childcare

Workplaces are open, but you must be fully vaccinated if:

- you are working somewhere that's only open for fully vaccinated people (e.g. restaurant), or
- if you are a worker or volunteer who is required to be vaccinated if working outside your home

Schools, childcare centres and early childhood education are open to all ages. Masks must be worn indoors at primary school by staff, visitors and students in years 3 to 6.

If you are fully vaccinated, you can attend adult education (e.g. university, TAFE). If you are not fully vaccinated, you can't enter unless you cannot be taught online.



Getting active

If you are fully vaccinated, you can attend sporting and recreation facilities (e.g. sports grounds, gyms and swimming pools) and sporting events.

If you don't meet the vaccination requirements, you can't enter.

Vaccination requirements don't apply to people involved in community sport (e.g. a local footy match) or people using swimming pools for essential medical care.



Weddings, funerals and worship

You can host or attend weddings, funerals and religious ceremonies at places of worship with no capacity limits or density limits, with no requirement to check vaccination status.

However, vaccination requirements apply if a wedding or funeral takes place in a venue that has vaccination requirements, such as hospitality settings, community facilities, or entertainment venues.



Masks

Masks are required indoors only in limited settings including retail (except hair and beauty), health care, aged care and justice facilities, at primary schools and on public transport/taxis/rideshare.

We recommend wearing a mask if you can't physically distance, if you have any symptoms, or if you are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.



Going out

Venues you can attend if you are fully vaccinated include:

- food and drink venues (e.g. restaurants and pubs)
- nightlife venues (e.g. bars and nightclubs)
- entertainment venues (e.g. cinemas, zoos)
- events (e.g. festivals, fun runs and conferences)
- tourism venues (e.g. walking tours, buses)
- casinos/gaming venues and adult entertainment venues

If you don't meet the vaccination requirements, you can't enter these venues. Vaccination requirements don't apply to food and drink venues operating for takeaway only.

There are no capacity limits or density limits on venues.



Travel

There are no limits on travel or accommodation in Victoria.

We strongly recommend that people staying in accommodation venues in Victoria (e.g. hotels, Airbnb) are fully vaccinated.

Vaccination requirements still apply to relevant settings within an accommodation complex, such as a restaurant or a gym.

There are no limits on leaving Victoria, but travel may be impacted by rules at your destination - check before you book. If returning from overseas, you must obtain a permit from Service Victoria and follow your permit conditions and requirements.



Getting goods and services

Venues you can only attend if you are fully vaccinated include:

- hospitality
- personal services (e.g. a hairdresser and beauty parlour)
- community premises (e.g. a library) and creative arts premises
- entertainment venues

Some exceptions apply if vaccination status isn't being checked, including:

- real estate inspections and auctions
- community facilities can host essential public support groups, support services and health services in limited numbers
- school excursions in premises with vaccination requirements

Vaccination requirements don't apply to retail stores (e.g. supermarket, post office, book shop).



Visiting hospitals and aged care

There are limits on attending high-risk settings, even if you're fully vaccinated.

Residents at care facilities can have up to five visitors per day including dependents for any reason. We strongly recommend that all residents and visitors are fully vaccinated.

Visitors to hospitals are still limited to a small number of circumstances, such as end-of-life.



COVIDSafe Workplaces

All workplaces must have a COVIDSafe Plan and keep records of everyone attending using the Service Victoria app.

Workplaces must also display signage in public spaces providing information about check-in, vaccination requirements and where relevant, mask requirements.

Additional obligations may apply for some industries.