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**CIRCULAR NO.** GEN/40/CCV/2020  
**DATE:** 26 October 2020  
**SUBJECT:** Coronavirus Update – Changes to Restrictions in Metropolitan Victoria  
**ATTENTION:** Club Managers

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The Hon Premier Daniel Andrews has made significant announcements for the further lifting of restrictions in the Third Step of the Re-opening Roadmap for Metropolitan Melbourne. These are effective **11:59pm Tuesday 27 October 2020**.

The purpose of this Circular is to provide detail regarding how today's announcement will impact businesses in Metropolitan Melbourne. A Victoria State Government summary of the Third Step and further easing of restrictions in the Covid roadmap for Metropolitan Melbourne can be found [here](#).

The Metropolitan Melbourne and Regional Victoria boundaries remain unchanged, as do the restrictions on travelling between Metropolitan Melbourne and Regional Victoria.

However, from 11:59pm on Tuesday 27 October for Metropolitan Melbourne, the four reasons to leave home will no longer apply, although remaining within 25 km of home will remain in place, subject to certain exceptions.

Rules regarding the wearing of masks will continue to apply and **all** businesses will be required to have a Covid-Safe plan.

It is anticipated that, from 11.59 pm on Sunday 8 November 2020, the requirement to remain within 25km of home will be **removed** and intrastate travel will be allowed.

Information regarding the re-opening of specific industries in this Third Step; and the anticipated Further Easing for Metropolitan Melbourne is set out below:

### **Hospitality, retail and entertainment**

From 26 October 2020 onwards, staff are able to re-enter premises for the purposes of preparing for re-opening.

From 11.59 pm on 27 October 2020, bars, restaurants, cafes and pubs will be able to serve patrons via table service only.

- **For outdoor seating**, there will be a cap of 50 patrons per venue which is subject the restriction of one person per 2 square metres.
- **For indoor seating**, 10 patrons will be allowed per 'space', subject to the restriction of one person per four square metres. There will be a maximum of 2 such indoor 'spaces' per venue where the venue is large enough. Tables must be at least 1.5 metres apart. This means that, for large venues, there will be a maximum capacity of 70 patrons during this step of the roadmap.
- **Live music** at hospitality venues will be permitted outdoors only, with band members included in venue limit and subject to other restrictions.

From 11.59 pm on 8 November 2020 onwards, it is anticipated that: indoor caps on patrons will be increased to a cap of 40 patrons, and outdoor caps to 70 patrons per venue, subject to the ongoing density quotient rules for the venue.

## **Outdoor Community Sport**

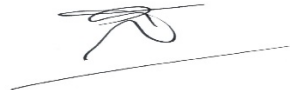
- Outdoor **contact and non-contact sport**: allowed for people 18 and under
  - Limited to minimum number of people to play and facilitate the activity (e.g. cricket may be played with two teams of eleven players and the necessary coaching personnel and umpires)
  - Spectators only permissible for supervising of children
  
- Outdoor **non-contact sport**: allowed for adults
  - Limited to minimum number of people to play and facilitate the activity (e.g. cricket may be played with two teams of eleven players and the necessary coaching personnel and umpires)
  - Non-contact means participants must be able to maintain distance of 1.5m
  - No shared equipment.

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