



COVID-19 update

The health and safety of staff and clients is our top priority

Friday 20 August 2021

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Restrictions easing early

Earlier this week, the Premier announced that some of the current restrictions in South-East Queensland, Cairns and Yarrabah would ease early.

Please [review the updated roadmap](#) and in particular, note these relaxed restrictions in place from **4pm today (Friday 20 August) until 4pm Friday 27 August**.

In other good news, all of our colleagues who were in Queensland Health-directed quarantine are now free!

Face masks

You must **carry a mask with you at all times** when you leave home, unless you have a lawful reason not to.

You must wear a mask outdoors if you are unable to stay 1.5m away from people who aren't part of your household.

You must wear a mask indoors (including in the workspace) if you are unable to stay 1.5m apart from other people.

This means that masks will need to be worn in public and workspaces when you cannot maintain a safe distance from others. For example, visitors in the John Oxley Library reading room would not need to wear a mask if they're seated and working at a desk (but may need to put one on when approaching the information desk to talk to staff). Similarly, if you are in a workspace at South Bank and you can maintain a safe distance, you are not required to wear a mask. But, in all scenarios, **you must carry a mask**.

I will provide updated advice if these requirements change.

Capacity limits

Indoor spaces will remain restricted to one person per 4m² and outdoor spaces will remain restricted to one person per 2m². Check the [State Library capacity tables](#) for the limits in our public spaces.

Ticketed events with allocated seating may now proceed at 75% capacity.

Eating and drinking

Guests must be seated to eat and drink at The Library Café Pop-Up, or for any events.

Signing in

Please continue signing in when you arrive at work:

- State Library South Bank (including The Edge, The Library Café Pop-Up and Library Shop) and Anzac Square Memorial Galleries: sign in with Sine Pro and the Check In Qld app.
- Cannon Hill and Cairns offices: sign in with Sine Pro.

COVID-19 Risk Assessment updated

The [State Library COVID-19 Risk Assessment](#) has been updated. One change is a new column which indicates which State Library sites each control measure applies to. We each have a responsibility to understand how we implement and comply with its measures, so please take the time to have read the document.

People's Long Weekend

Earlier this week, the Premier announced Friday 29 October as the People's Long Weekend — a rescheduling of the Ekka Show Holiday for the Brisbane, Moreton Bay and Scenic Rim local government areas.

Be prepared

While it's reassuring that our restrictions continue to be eased, please stay mindful that lockdowns can happen very quickly and without warning. Consider what habits you can build into each day so you are prepared (for example, taking your work laptop home every night). Have a chat in your teams to plan how you can be ready to adapt, if required.

Have a great weekend,
Vicki