



## COVID-19 update

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

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### **Restrictions easing in South-East Queensland**

**From 4pm today**, some restrictions will ease in the 11 local government areas in South-East Queensland.

The key changes for us are:

- Indoor spaces have been relaxed to one person per 2m<sup>2</sup> and outdoor spaces will no longer be restricted. Check the [State Library capacity tables](#) for the limits. Please note these tables have recently been reviewed and a new version is now available on the staff updates page. Signage will be updated around the South Bank building this afternoon.
- Ticketed events with fixed, allocated seating may now proceed at 100% capacity.
- Guests no longer need to be seated to eat or drink.

Check the [full roadmap](#) for further details.

### **Mask restrictions — some changes to note**

#### **Continuing restrictions**

For protection, in South-East Queensland you must continue **carrying a mask with you at all times** when you leave home, unless you have a lawful reason not to.

- **Public transport and ride share:** you must wear a mask, including while waiting in a public space (e.g. at bus stops, taxi ranks or train stations).
- **Outdoors:** you must wear a mask when you cannot stay 1.5m apart from people who are not part of your household.
- **In our back of house work spaces at South Bank and Anzac Square Memorial Galleries, and in the workplace at Cannon Hill and Cairns:** you

must wear a mask when you cannot stay 1.5m apart from others. You must carry a mask at all times.

## **Revised approach in our public spaces at State Library and Anzac Square Memorial Galleries**

As per the current restrictions, masks are not required indoors if you can keep 1.5m from others.

So from 4pm today, **we will allow visitors to remove their masks if they can keep 1.5m apart from others**. Masks will still be encouraged while people are entering and exiting the building. Our conditions of entry and entry signage will be updated today to reflect this change.

We have decided that **all staff should continue wearing masks at all times** when working in or moving through front of house spaces. We came to this decision in the interests of maintaining staff safety when interacting with the public. A sincere thanks to our front of house staff who have been wearing their masks for many weeks now!

Mask requirements will be reviewed every two weeks, so updated advice will be provided, as necessary.

## **Other reminders**

### **Interstate travel**

Given the uncertainty of the current climate, **all future interstate travel needs to be reconsidered**. If you already have trips planned for the coming months, please talk to your Executive Director to confirm.

### **Be prepared**

Stay mindful that the COVID environment can change very quickly and without warning. Build habits into each day (for example, taking your work laptop home) so you are always prepared.

### **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.

Thank you everyone for your continued efforts! Have a good weekend — looks like it will be fantastic weather!

*Vicki*