



COVID-19 update

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

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Updated restrictions in Queensland

[Increased restrictions in Queensland](#) will take effect from 1am Tuesday 29 June.

Face masks

In South East Queensland, you **must wear a face mask at all times when you leave home**, unless you have a lawful reason not to. This means that **you must wear a face mask when you come to the workplace**. Please note these restrictions also apply to any Cairns-based staff who have been in South East Queensland in the last 14 days.

Masks must be worn by staff when working in or moving through front of house spaces. Masks do not need to be worn back of house if you can maintain 1.5m from others, but you should carry one with you throughout the day so that you can put it on if you are unable to maintain 1.5m.

It is your responsibility to properly use, wear and change your face mask. [More information](#) is available from Queensland Health.

Visitors are also required to wear masks, though they may remove their mask briefly for eating or drinking. Visitors with a lawful reason for not wearing a mask do not need to produce evidence of this — only a member of the Queensland Police Service is authorised to ask for proof.

Space capacities

Back of house and front of house indoor spaces at South Bank, Cannon Hill and Anzac Square have returned to **one person per 4m²**.

Please refer to the 4m² column in the capacities tables listed in [Addendum 4](#) to our COVID-Safe Site Plan for limits, but note this is currently being reviewed and a revised table will be circulated later this week.

Been in Greater Sydney?

If you have been in any of the 35 local government areas of Greater Sydney on or after 1am 21 June, **you must [follow the stay at home requirements](#) for 14 days since you left** the area. Please alert your People Leader if this applies to you so you can arrange work to complete from home.

Health advice

Contact tracing alerts

Please check the [active contact tracing alerts](#) and follow Queensland Health advice if you were in the any of the locations at the relevant times.

Getting tested?

If you have any symptoms, [get tested](#) and isolate until you receive your results.

If you are going for a COVID-19 test, please email your People Leader and the [People and Culture mailbox](#) **immediately** and **do not come to the workplace while you are awaiting test results**. Then don't forget to notify your People Leader and People and Culture **as soon as you receive your result**. Thank you for your cooperation.

Safety in the workplace

Checking in

From tomorrow, Sine Pro will no longer be used to manage staff check-ins at South Bank or Anzac Square. In accordance with Public Health Directives, **all staff must check in using the Check In Queensland app when they arrive at State Library at South Bank or Anzac Square**.

If you don't have a smartphone or don't want to install the Check In Queensland app, you can check in using the iPads instead.

Staff at Cairns and Cannon Hill will continue to use Sine Pro.

Follow the golden rules

Remember:

- keep 1.5m away from others at all times
- regularly wash your hands (or use hand sanitiser)
- sneeze or cough into your elbow or a tissue (then throw the tissue away).

Vulnerable employees

If you have previously been classified as a vulnerable employee and believe that the current COVID-19 situation means a change in your circumstances, please have a discussion with your People Leader and provide the [vulnerable employee form](#) to your medical team for advice.

Safe meetings

Please consider whether your meetings over the next fortnight can be conducted via Teams, instead of in person. Remember there are restricted numbers allowed in our meeting rooms.

Support

Coping with the changing circumstances can be challenging at times. I encourage you to reach out to our EAP ([Benestar](#)), our [Peer Support](#) network or your People Leader for support.

Programming updates

With the changes announced today, some State Library events will need to be adjusted to comply with the new capacity limits. If you are delivering an event between now and Monday 12 July, please get in touch with the Marketing and Communications team for assistance with public messaging.

Thank you everyone for your quick response to the changing circumstances. We are continuing to monitor the situation very closely and will provide further advice as needed.

Take care,
Vicki