



COVID-19 update

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

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Public Health Direction released

The [Public Health Direction](#) regarding the 17 December restrictions on vaccination status was released yesterday. Please familiarise yourself with it as it contains clarity about the incoming rules and how they will be implemented.

Clarification around 'fully vaccinated'

Please note the direction confirms that **a person is considered fully vaccinated once they have their second dose**. This is different to the advice provided yesterday about timing, which was intended for travellers crossing the border.

The direction also confirms that **people with a medical exemption** from the COVID-19 vaccinations will be considered as if they were fully vaccinated under the restrictions.

Implementing the changes

We have teams of people working hard to manage the implementation of the Public Health Direction in relation to staff and visitors entering the library.

- Signage has gone out in front of house spaces advising visitors of the upcoming changes.
- Website updates with information about changes will go up this week to help visitors plan their visit.
- Impacted teams will be briefed this week.

More information around the impact of the direction on staff will be provided to everyone later today.

Updated advice for contractors, suppliers, volunteers

Following the release of the Direction, we have updated advice regarding contractors.

Vaccination requirements apply to every person aged 16 years and over, including **staff, contractors** and **volunteers**, entering our South Bank buildings. However, we do not have to check vaccination status of delivery drivers who drop parcels into the dock. Contact-free deliveries are encouraged.

Don't forget to share this statement with contractors and suppliers:

State Library entry requirements from 17 December 2021

In line with the [Queensland Government's COVID-19 restrictions](#), from 17 December 2021 unvaccinated people aged 16 years and over will be unable to enter Queensland Government-owned libraries. This requirement applies to State Library of Queensland's South Bank premises (including The Edge, the Library Shop, The Library Café and The Brink), and to all people, including staff and contractors. A person is considered to be unvaccinated unless they have had two doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

If you have any questions, start by talking to your People Leader so they can raise with your Executive Director for clarity, if needed.

Thank you,
Vicki