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COVID-19 COUNCIL UPDATE

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Face mask usage in council facilities

Councils are advised that the requirement for mask use in Greater Sydney only applies to businesses and areas listed in the Mandatory Face Coverings Public Health Order.



This includes shopping (retail, supermarkets and shopping centres), public/shared transport, places of worship, and indoor entertainment (including cinemas and theatres).

NSW Health has confirmed that usage of face masks are not mandatory in council facilities such as libraries, museums, child care centres, and art galleries. NSW Health strongly recommends that people who cannot maintain a distance of 1.5 metres or anyone who is front facing with the public should be wearing a mask.

NSW Health has provided updated information and FAQs on wearing a face mask in Greater Sydney, including when you need to wear a face mask, when

you can remove it, and who is exempt.

Should you have any issues please do not hesitate to contact your Council Engagement Manager.



Information and resources

A range of free promotional materials is available on the [NSW Health website](#). Councils are encouraged to use these materials on their own communication channels to promote COVID-Safe messaging in their local communities. The materials include:

- [Fact sheets and brochures](#)
- [Posters and print resources](#)
- [Digital banners and social media tiles](#)
- [Holiday destination resource kit](#)
- [Videos](#).

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