

## Office of Local Government



## **COVID-19 COUNCIL UPDATE**

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## Greater Sydney temporary restrictions extended

The NSW Government has extended the current temporary COVID-safe measures for Greater Sydney, except for one rule change, for another week to continue to safeguard the



community and reduce the risk of further transmission.

The rule change removes the requirement for retail customers to wear masks, however, public-facing staff in retail outlets and stores must continue to wear masks.

The restrictions for the Greater Sydney region (including Wollongong, Central Coast and Blue Mountains) include:

- Visitors to households are limited to 20 guests, including children
- Masks are compulsory on public transport and in public indoor venues, such as theatres, hospitals, and aged care facilities
- Masks are not required in gyms or other similar facilities like indoor pools or dance studios

- Drinking while standing up at indoor venues is not allowed
- Singing by audiences at indoor shows or by congregants at indoor places of worship is not allowed
- Dancing is not allowed at indoor hospitality venues or nightclubs, however, dancing is allowed at weddings with a strong recommendation that no more than 20 people should be on the dancefloor at any one time, and
- Visitors to aged care facilities are limited to two people per day.

In relation to hospitality venues, masks must be worn by customer-facing staff. Patrons do not have to wear a mask unless they are in the gaming area of a hospitality venue.

The COVID-safe measures will be in place until at least 12:01am Monday May 17.

For more information on the current restrictions, click here.

## Sydney mass vaccination centre opens

A mass vaccination centre opened today at Sydney Olympic Park, with thousands of people booked in to receive their COVID-19 vaccine this week.



During its first weeks of operation,

the centre will focus on delivering Pfizer vaccinations to priority groups including healthcare workers, emergency services workers, as well as quarantine and border workers and their households.

Bookings are required.

Members of the general public aged 40-49 are invited to register their interest in receiving the Pfizer vaccine through NSW Health.

They will be contacted when a booking is available. People aged 40-49 can register here from 5pm today (May 10).

From this Wednesday (May 12), people aged 50 and over can book their AstraZeneca jab at the mass vaccination centre at Sydney Olympic Park, if they are unable to obtain the vaccination from their GP. These bookings will be available here.

The Sydney Olympic Park centre will operate six days per week from 8am to 8pm.

The mass vaccination centre will be able to administer up to 30,000 vaccines per week once it is up and running, or around 5,000 vaccinations per day.

The centre, combined with the more than 100 NSW Health run clinics and hubs, means NSW Health can administer around 60,000 vaccines each week across the State.

For more information on the delivery of COVID vaccines in NSW, click here.

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