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NATIONAL CABINET UPDATE

On 14 September 2022, the National Cabinet [announced](#) an extension to the [Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment](#) beyond 30 September 2022.

The payment will remain available for as long as mandatory isolation periods are applied by all States and Territories.

VICTORIAN DINING AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM

The Victorian Government has [announced](#) the return of the [Victorian Dining and Entertainment Program](#).

The Program, **open from 19 September 2022**, allows customers to claim 25 per cent cash back when they spend \$40 or more on dining and entertainment.

Eligible purchases include meals at restaurants, cafes and pubs, tickets to live music or art performances, and entries into museums, galleries and amusement parks.

Customers can claim up to \$125 cash back each and make multiple claims until they reach the cap.

The \$25 million dollar Program **runs until 16 December 2022** or when funds are exhausted.

UPDATE: MEASURES AND RESTRICTIONS (NATIONAL, NEW SOUTH WALES, VICTORIA, QUEENSLAND, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY and NORTHERN TERRITORY)

National

On 8 September 2022, the Federal Government [announced](#) the requirement to wear a mask on international flights to Australia will end, effective 12.01am, Friday 9 September 2022.

New South Wales

From 9 September 2022, the following changes to New South Wales' COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The self-isolation period for COVID-19 positive persons reduced from 7 days to 5 days.
- A person who tests positive for COVID-19 must not enter their work premises for 7 days if they work in NSW health facilities, residential aged care facilities, community aged care facilities and premises where in-home aged care services are provided and disability accommodation facilities.
- It is no longer mandatory to wear a face mask on domestic flights in and out of NSW.

Find out more about New South Wales' COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask restrictions in New South Wales [here](#).

Victoria

From 11.59pm, Thursday 8 September 2022, the following changes to Victoria's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The isolation period for COVID-19 cases reduced from 7 days to 5 days. However, the 7 day isolation requirement remains for workers in high-risk settings including aged care, disability care, and home care.
- Anyone leaving isolation after 5 days cannot visit or work at a sensitive setting – such as hospitals, residential aged care, disability care settings or in-home care for the next two days, or if they have COVID-19 symptoms.
- It is no longer mandatory to wear a face mask on domestic flights in and out of Victoria.

Find out more about Victoria's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask restrictions in Victoria [here](#).

Queensland

From Friday 9 September 2022, the following changes to Queensland's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The COVID-19 isolation period reduced from 7 days to 5 days, provided you have no symptoms and don't work in aged care, disability care or home care.
- Face masks are no longer mandatory on domestic flights in and out of Queensland.
- Face masks are still required for public transport and rideshare, [high-risk settings](#) and for those who have tested positive to COVID-19, are a [close contact](#), or [have symptoms](#).

Find out more about Queensland's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in Queensland [here](#).

Western Australia

From 12:01am, Friday 9 September 2022, the following changes to Western Australia's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- COVID-19 positive cases are only required to isolate for 5 days. If you don't have respiratory symptoms at the end of 5 days, you can leave isolation.
- You can only attend high-risk settings once you have completed 7 days of isolation (these include: hospitals and healthcare settings, aged care facilities, and residential care facilities).
- Mandatory mask rules have been removed on domestic air travel in and out of Western Australia.

Find out more about Western Australia's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in Western Australia [here](#).

South Australia

From 12.01am, Friday 9 September 2022, the following changes to the South Australia's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The COVID-19 isolation period is now 5 days.
- You can only leave isolation after 5 days if you do not have acute symptoms, including a sore throat, runny nose, cough, or shortness of breath. If you have symptoms, please stay in isolation until your acute symptoms have resolved.
- It is no longer mandatory to wear a face mask on domestic flights in and out of South Australia.

Find out more about South Australia's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in South Australia [here](#).

Tasmania

From Friday 9 September 2022, the following changes to Tasmania's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The isolation period for COVID-19 positive cases reduced from 7 days to 5 days, provided you are no longer displaying symptoms on Day 5 of your isolation period. You must isolate for 7 days if you still have symptoms after 5 days.
- The change will not apply to workers and visitors in high-risk settings such as Aged Care, Disability and Home Care where the 7-day isolation requirement remains in place.
- Face masks are no longer mandatory on domestic flights in and out of Tasmania.

Find out more about Tasmania's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in Tasmania [here](#).

Australian Capital Territory

From 11.59pm, Thursday 8 September 2022, the following changes to Australian Capital Territory's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- The isolation period for people with COVID-19 has been reduced to 5 days.
- You cannot enter a high-risk setting, or work at a care facility, on days 6 and 7 after your positive COVID-19 test.
- A high-risk setting includes residential aged care facilities, hospitals, correctional and detention facilities and residential accommodation that supports people who require frequent, close personal care and who are vulnerable to disease.
- Face masks are no longer required on domestic flights into and out of Canberra Airport.

Find out more about the Australian Capital City's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in the Australian Capital Territory

[here](#).

Northern Territory

From Friday 9 September 2022, the following changes to Northern Territory's COVID-19 rules came into effect:

- Isolation period reduced from 7 days to 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms, you can leave isolation at 12 noon on day 5. If you have symptoms on day 5, you must remain in isolation until your symptoms resolve or you receive a medical certificate from your doctor stating that you are no longer infectious.
- You don't need to wear a face mask at the airport or while travelling on a plane.

Find out more about Northern Territory's COVID-19 isolation rules and recommendations [here](#).

Find out more about face mask requirements in the Northern Territory [here](#).

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