

# COVID-19: Summary of mask, isolation and RAT reporting requirements



Jurisdiction	Mask wearing	Isolation	RAT reporting
<b>NSW</b>	<b>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in indoor public spaces and when you can't physically distance 1.5 metres from others</li> <li>visiting health, residential aged care and disability care facilities</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .	<b>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>positive cases should stay home until acute symptoms have gone</li> <li>don't visit people at high risk of severe illness, anyone in hospital or an aged or disability care facility for at least 7 days after the positive diagnosis</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register positive RAT with Service NSW</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>VIC</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for at least 7 days if you have COVID-19 or are a close contact and:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>you need to leave home, or</li> <li>you cannot maintain physical distance</li> </ul> </li> <li>you are caring for someone at home who is sick with COVID-19</li> <li>you have any COVID-19 symptoms</li> <li>you are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19</li> <li>you are visiting or working in a sensitive setting such as hospitals and aged care facilities</li> <li>you know you are at a higher risk of falling very sick with COVID-19</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>positive cases should isolate for at least 5 days and until you don't have symptoms anymore</li> <li>don't work in or visit a high-risk setting like hospitals, aged care, and disability services</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>report positive RAT to the Department of Health</li> </ul> Find out more <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>QLD</b> <a href="#">(Amber level from 11/11/2022)</a>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wear a mask for 7 days after you test positive for COVID-19</li> <li>if you're a close contact</li> <li>in healthcare settings</li> <li>indoors, if you can't socially distance</li> </ul>	<b>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>positive cases should stay at home until you are well again</li> <li>avoid entering hospitals, residential aged care facilities and disability accommodation services for at least 7 days after the positive</li> </ul>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>report a positive COVID-19 RAT result for a test taken in the last 14 days</li> </ul> For out more <a href="#">here</a> .

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>on public transport</li> <li>if you are older or medically at risk</li> <li>if you're around people who are vulnerable to COVID-19</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p>diagnosis and enter only when you no longer have any symptoms</p> <p>For out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	
<b>WA</b>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in crowded indoor spaces and where physical distancing is not possible</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay home for at least 5 days and until your symptoms have resolved</li> <li>if you have tested positive to COVID-19 or are a close contact you should not visit or work in high-risk settings including hospitals, disability, mental health and aged care residential facilities and other healthcare settings for 7 days after the positive diagnosis</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register positive RAT result online with the Department of Health</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
<b>SA</b>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if you have tested positive to COVID-19 or are a close contact, wear a mask when indoors or on public transport</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay home until your acute symptoms have cleared (usually 5 to 7 days)</li> <li>don't visit people at high risk of severe illness, or anyone in a hospital, or aged or disability care facility for at least 7 days after the positive diagnosis</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>MANDATORY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>you must report a positive COVID-19 RAT result with the Department of Health</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a> and in the <a href="#">Public Health Direction</a>.</p>
<b>TAS</b>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in indoor settings especially where physical distancing is not possible and the risk in the community is high</li> <li>if you have tested positive to COVID-19, you should wear a face mask when indoors and on public transport.</li> </ul>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay home if you have ongoing respiratory symptoms (cough, runny nose, sore throat, difficulty breathing) and take extra precautions in the days following to minimise the risk of spreading COVID-19</li> </ul>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>notify positive RAT result to Public Health</li> <li>positive RAT results cannot be registered after 10 days</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>if you are at higher risk of respiratory illness like COVID-19 and flu, or are in contact with others who are</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avoid large gatherings and indoor crowded places for at least seven days</li> <li>Don't visit people at high risk of severe illness, anyone in hospital, or an aged or disability care facility for at least seven days.</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	
ACT	<p><b>MANDATORY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>staff and visitors entering a high-risk setting</li> <li>staff providing a service to a person with a disability</li> <li>staff who are working for an in-home and community aged care provider</li> </ul> <p><b>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in indoor public spaces for people who have tested positive to COVID-19 if they need to leave the home, and for household contacts of people with COVID-19</li> </ul> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>on public transport and in public indoor spaces if you can</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a> and in the <a href="#">Public Health Direction</a>.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay at home and take steps to protect those around you</li> <li>if you need to leave the house: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>avoid attending large gatherings or crowded indoor places</li> <li>avoid high-risk settings, like hospitals, aged or disability care facilities</li> <li>avoid visiting people at higher risk of severe illness for at least 7 days</li> </ul> </li> <li>if you cannot delay visits to a high-risk setting, seek prior approval from the place and follow any COVID-19 policies or guidance they have in place</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>MANDATORY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>must register positive COVID-19 RAT result with ACT Health</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a> and in the <a href="#">Public Health Direction</a>.</p>
NT	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in indoor and outdoor settings where physical distancing is not possible</li> </ul> <p><b>REQUIRED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>when visiting NT Health hospitals and health care facilities</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay home if unwell, even if your symptoms are mild</li> <li>avoid visiting people at high risk of severe illness, people in hospital, aged care or disability facility for at least 7 days</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register positive RAT result with NT Health</li> </ul> <p>Find out more <a href="#">here</a>.</p>

## COVID-19: QLD Traffic Light System (Amber from 11 November 2022)

Red	Amber	Green
<p>Means there are high rates of community transmission and Queensland is entering or in a COVID-19 wave.</p> <p>When the traffic light is <b>red</b>, we recommend you wear a mask:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>indoors, even if you can socially distance</li> <li>on public transport</li> <li>if you're older or medically at risk</li> <li>if you're around people vulnerable to COVID-19</li> </ul> <p>People who are older or have medical conditions can be more vulnerable to serious illness if they get COVID-19.</p> <p>Places where it's more likely people may have COVID-19 include healthcare settings such as hospital emergency departments and general practitioner (GP) waiting rooms.</p> <p>Take a rapid antigen test (RAT) if you get COVID-19 symptoms – or every two days, if someone in your household tests positive to COVID-19.</p> <p>If you get COVID-19:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register your RAT result</li> <li>stay home until you're well again</li> <li>wear a mask for 7 days after you test positive</li> <li>avoid visiting hospitals, aged care, or disability care for 7 days after you test</li> <li>ask household members to closely monitor symptoms.</li> </ul> <p>You should always stay home if you're sick, maintain good hygiene and keep up to date with your vaccinations.</p>	<p>Means there are moderate rates of community transmission and Queensland is coming off a wave or may be entering a new wave.</p> <p>When the traffic light is <b>amber</b>, we recommend you wear a mask:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>in healthcare settings</li> <li>indoors, if you can't socially distance</li> <li>on public transport</li> <li>if you are older or medically at risk</li> <li>if you're around people who are vulnerable to COVID-19</li> <li>if required by a venue or household.</li> </ul> <p>People who are older or have medical conditions can be more vulnerable to serious illness if they get COVID-19.</p> <p>Places where it's more likely people may have COVID-19 include healthcare settings such as hospital emergency departments and general practitioner (GP) waiting rooms.</p> <p>Take a rapid antigen test (RAT) if you get COVID-19 symptoms – or every two days, if someone in your household tests positive to COVID-19.</p> <p>If you get COVID-19:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register your RAT result</li> <li>stay home until you're well again</li> <li>wear a mask for 7 days after you test positive</li> <li>avoid visiting hospitals, aged care, or disability care for 7 days after you test</li> <li>ask household members to closely monitor symptoms.</li> </ul> <p>You should always stay home if you're sick, maintain good hygiene and keep up to date with your vaccinations.</p>	<p>Means there are low rates of community transmission and Queensland is not in a COVID-19 wave.</p> <p>When the traffic light is <b>green</b>, it is recommended you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>stay home if you're sick</li> <li>keep up to date with your vaccinations</li> <li>maintain good hygiene</li> <li>take a rapid antigen test (RAT) if you get COVID-19 symptoms</li> <li>if required by a healthcare provider, venue, or household.</li> </ul> <p>If you get COVID-19:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>register your RAT result</li> <li>stay home until you're well again</li> <li>wear a mask for 7 days after you test positive</li> <li>avoid visiting hospitals, aged care, or disability care for 7 days after you test</li> <li>ask household members to closely monitor symptoms.</li> </ul>

Find out more about [Qld's COVID-19 Traffic Light System](#)