

South Australia

Emergency Management (Arrivals—Associated Direction No 16) (COVID-19) Direction 2022

under section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004*

Preamble

- 1 On 22 March 2020 I, Grantley Stevens, Commissioner of Police, being the State Co-ordinator for the State of South Australia pursuant to section 14 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* (the *Act*), declared pursuant to section 23 of the Act that a Major Emergency is occurring in respect of the outbreak of the Human Disease named COVID-19 within South Australia.
- 2 Now I, Grantley Stevens, being of the opinion that this is necessary to achieve the purposes of the Act, give the following directions pursuant to section 25 of the Act.
- 3 This direction is to operate as an appendix to the arrivals general direction.

1—Short title

This direction may be cited as the *Emergency Management (Arrivals—Associated Direction No 16) (COVID-19) Direction 2022*.

2—Revocation

The *Emergency Management (Arrivals—Associated Direction No 15) (COVID-19) Direction 2022* is revoked.

3—Terms used in this associated direction

- (1) In this associated direction—

arrivals general direction means the *Emergency Management (Arrivals No 2) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* or any direction made under section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* that replaces that direction;

COVID-19 test means, unless otherwise specified, analysis of a combined oropharyngeal/nasal specimen taken by an appropriately trained and qualified health care worker to test for COVID-19 (also referred to as SARS-CoV-2) using Polymerase Chain Reaction;

international arrival means a person arriving in South Australia who has been in a location outside of Australia during the period of 7 days before that arrival;

- (2) For the purpose of this associated direction and despite clause 4(2) of the arrivals general direction—
- (a) a person is **vaccinated** if the person has completed a primary course (including mixed doses) of a Therapeutic Goods Association (TGA) approved or recognised vaccine;
 - (b) a person will be treated as if the person were vaccinated if the person—
 - (i) has a medical exemption certificate; or
 - (ii) is under 12 years of age; or
 - (iii) is between 12 and 17 years of age and is travelling with a vaccinated parent or guardian.

4—Declared requirements

The table in Schedule 1 sets out the requirements applying to arrivals from locations specified in the table.

Note—

See clause 6 of the *Emergency Management (Arrivals No 2) (COVID-19) Direction 2021*.

5—Quarantine requirements for premises other than medi-hotel or quarantine facility

- (1) For the purposes of this associated direction, a person who is required to quarantine and has not been directed by an Authorised Officer to quarantine at medi-hotel or quarantine facility, must—
- (a) travel by the most direct practical route and means to a nominated residential address;
 - (b) reside and remain at the premises, isolated and segregated from other persons;
 - (c) remain at the premises, except—
 - (i) for the purposes of obtaining medical care or medical supplies; or
 - (ii) in any other emergency situation; or
 - (iii) for any reason approved in advance by the State Co-ordinator or his delegate or an authorised officer; or
 - (iv) for the purpose of undergoing a COVID-19 test as specified in this direction;
- during which times a mask must be worn at all times and, in the case of a person leaving the premises to obtain a COVID-19 test, the person must travel directly to the relevant site and inform the person performing the test of the reason for obtaining the test
- (d) take reasonable steps to ensure that no other person enters the premises unless that other person—
 - (i) usually lives at the premises; or
 - (ii) is also complying with a direction to quarantine; or

- (iii) is required to provide care and support to, or receive care and support from, the person to whom this direction applies at the place; or
- (iv) is required for medical or emergency purposes.

Note—

The requirements on person quarantining at a medi-hotel or quarantine facility are provided for in the *Emergency Management (Supervised Quarantine No 11) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* and any direction that replaces that direction.

- (2) In this clause, a **COVID-19 test** means analysis of a combined oropharyngeal /nasal specimen taken by an appropriately trained and qualified health care worker to test for COVID-19 using Polymerase Chain Reaction;

6—Special provision relating to commercial vessels

- (1) A person must not embark a commercial vessel that has arrived in South Australia and has been in a country other than Australia during the period of 14 days before its arrival, unless—
 - (a) the person—
 - (i) is vaccinated; and
 - (ii) is wearing personal protective equipment as approved by the Department; or
 - (b) the person is an emergency service worker responding to an emergency.

Note—

Australian Defence Force and recreational vessels are not considered commercial vessels for the purposes of this associated direction.

Paragraph (a) does not apply to a person embarking the commercial vessel for the purpose of leaving South Australia.

- (2) A person may engage in the work described in subclause (1) if—
 - (a) prior to commencing the work, the person has received 1 dose of an approved vaccine; and
 - (b) not later than 14 weeks after commencing the work, the person receives a second dose of the same approved vaccine.
- (3) A person must not disembark a vessel that has arrived in South Australia and has been in a country other than Australia during the period of 14 days before its arrival unless an authorised officer has been notified of the arrival of the vessel and has approved disembarkation.

7—Special provision relating to close contacts

- (1) Despite any other clause in this associated direction, a person (other than a domestic violence arrival) who has within the period of 7 days prior to arrival had close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 must not enter South Australia.

- (2) A domestic violence arrival who has had close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the period of 7 days prior to arrival may enter South Australia but must comply with the requirements in the *Emergency Management (Exposure Sites, Contacts and Diagnosis Requirements) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* or any direction made under section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* that replaces that direction.
- (3) A person who becomes aware after entering South Australia that they have had close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 prior to their arrival must comply with the requirements in the *Emergency Management (Exposure Sites, Contacts and Diagnosis Requirements) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* or any direction made under section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* that replaces that direction.

8—Special provision relating to COVID-19 cases

Despite any other clause in this associated direction, a person (other than a domestic violence arrival) who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 must not enter South Australia until the period for which they would have been required to isolate if in South Australia has elapsed.

Note—

The *Emergency Management (Exposure Sites, Contacts and Diagnosis Requirements No 4) (COVID-19) Direction 2022* (or a replacement direction) prescribes the isolation periods for COVID-19 cases.

9—Mask requirement

A person (including crew of commercial transport and freight services) may not—

- (a) enter South Australia by airplane unless the person complies with the mask requirement at all times while the person was on the airplane or present at any airport during the journey; or
- (b) be present inside the terminal at Adelaide Airport unless the person complies with the mask requirement.

Note—

The terminal at Adelaide Airport is taken to include the arrivals and departures areas and any other publicly accessible areas in the terminal.

The requirements of this clause must be read in conjunction with the *Emergency Management (Supervised Quarantine No 11) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* or any successor direction.

10—Transiting passengers etc

- (1) A person arriving in South Australia on any aircraft or vessel is taken not to arrive in South Australia for the purposes of this associated direction if—
 - (a) in the case of an arrival on an aircraft for the purpose of travelling on a connecting flight to another Australian State or Territory—the person does not leave the airport terminal in South Australia; or

- (b) in the case of an arrival on a vessel—the person does not disembark from the vessel in South Australia.

11—Modification of Arrivals General Direction

- (1) A person arriving in South Australia is not required to comply with Clause 23(1) of the arrivals general direction (arrival notice).

Note—

Clause 23(1) of the *Emergency Management (Arrivals No 2) (COVID-19) Direction 2021* required persons arriving in South Australia to complete and lodge an Arrival Registration via the approved arrivals system.

IMPORTANT—FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ASSOCIATED DIRECTION IS AN OFFENCE.

This direction operates from the day of **February**..... 2022 at.....**1452**..... hours

SIGNED at **ADELAIDE**..... on this **22nd**..... day of **February**..... 2022
at.....**1452**.....hours



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GRANTLEY STEVENS
STATE CO-ORDINATOR

Schedule 1—Declared requirements

For the purposes of this Schedule:

- (a) a **COVID-19 test** undertaken by an international arrival in accordance with the **pre-arrival negative test result** requirement means any of the tests referred to in the Department of Home Affairs website;
- (b) the **Department of Home Affairs website** means <https://covid19.homeaffairs.gov.au/before-i-travel>;
- (c) the **specified period** for a COVID-19 test in accordance with the **pre-arrival negative test result** requirement means the period specified on the Department of Home Affairs website corresponding to that test.

Note—

For the avoidance of doubt, the **COVID-19 test** undertaken on arrival and during quarantine prescribed in this schedule means analysis of a combined oropharyngeal/nasal specimen taken by an appropriately trained and qualified health care worker to test for COVID-19 (also referred to as SARS-CoV-2) using Polymerase Chain Reaction.

1—Vaccinated arrivals

An arrival of a class listed in the first column of the table below who is vaccinated is subject to the requirements listed in the second column of the table.

| Vaccinated Arrivals | Requirements |
|------------------------|---|
| international arrivals | <p>Pre-arrival negative test result</p> <p>Specified period: as specified on Department of Home Affairs website for the COVID-19 test taken</p> <p>Test on arrival and quarantine until test taken</p> <p>High risk settings</p> <p>Specified period: for 7 days after arrival</p> <p>Symptom checking</p> <p>Specified period: for 14 days after arrival</p> <p>Specified times: once each day</p> |

2—Unvaccinated arrivals

An arrival of a class listed in the first column of the table below who is not vaccinated is subject to the requirements listed in the second column of the table.

| Unvaccinated Arrivals | Requirements |
|------------------------|---|
| International arrivals | <p>Quarantine as directed</p> <p>Specified period: for 14 days after arrival</p> <p>Pre-arrival negative test result</p> <p>Specified period: as specified on Department of Home Affairs website for the COVID-19 test taken</p> <p>COVID-19 testing</p> <p>Specified times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • within 24 hours after their arrival in South Australia; and • on the 6th day after their arrival in South Australia; and • on the 13th day after their arrival in South Australia <p>Symptom checking</p> <p>Specified period: for 14 days after arrival</p> <p>Specified times: once each day</p> |