BULLETIN Industry Divisions



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Dear Member

As you are aware, yesterday's announcement by the Premier included partial easing of restrictions for Metropolitan Melbourne which came into effect from 11:59pm on Sunday, 18 October 2020.

What you need to know

Metropolitan Melbourne is in Second Step restrictions.

- You can now travel up to 25 km from your home or permitted workplace within metropolitan Melbourne. This replaces the 5km rule. Travel to regional Victoria is still only allowed for permitted purposes even if this is within 25 kms. This means you cannot travel into regional Victoria for exercise or recreation. A person may travel more than 25 km from their premises if the closest necessary goods or service provider is more than 25km from a person's ordinary place of residence. Under this scenario a person must not travel any further than is reasonably necessary to obtain necessary goods or services.
- The two-hour time limit for permitted reasons for leaving your home has been removed.
- Mechanical services that includes safety inspections, maintenance and repairs for safe operation, including scheduled and logbook services are permitted.
- Automotive, machinery and equipment repair and maintenance are permitted to operate where
 providing support to a permitted service or industry or where required to maintain the health and
 safety of Victorians at home or at work.
- External car washing services including, automated, self-service or those undertaken in line with physical distancing requirements. Services must operate solely outdoors with up to five people where physical distancing can always be maintained, for businesses with an ABN.
- Car rentals limited to use by permitted workers or businesses that are able to operate under the Permitted Work Premises List, or for individuals who require a private vehicle for emergency or medical reasons.
- Car dealerships and caravan sales yards are permitted to operate under a contactless 'click and collect' model only.
- All businesses are required to have a COVID Safe Plan.

From 11:59pm on 1 November 2020

- Victoria will move from "stay home" to "stay safe" with no restrictions on the reasons to leave home.
- All vehicle repairs including **non-essential** repairs are scheduled to be eased from 11:59pm, 1 November, or possibly earlier depending on number of cases.
- Retail including onsite vehicle and automotive parts sales permitted.

For more information on changes to businesses and industry visit <u>dhss.vic.gov.au</u>.