

15 December 2021

RULES AND RESTRICTIONS FROM 15 DECEMBER

The NSW Government has published the [Public Health \(COVID-19 General\) Order \(No 2\) 2021](#). The object of this Order is to repeal and remake the Public Health (COVID-19 General) Order 2021 as part of the roadmap for easing restrictions concerning COVID-19.

Reduced COVID-19 restrictions will be in place in NSW from 15 December 2021. **These rules apply to everyone in NSW, regardless of vaccination status.**

Changes to rules include:

- density limits no longer apply
- proof of vaccination is not required at many venues
- QR check-in is now only needed for certain high-contact premises
- face masks no longer need to be worn at many indoor areas.

Some premises may make it a condition of entry that you are fully vaccinated or wear a face mask.

NSW Health strongly advises people get fully vaccinated and wear a face mask where they cannot socially distance.

SPORT, EXERCISE AND OUTDOOR GATHERINGS

Anyone can participate in sport, exercise, and outdoor gatherings.

- You are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence.
- COVID-19 Safe Check-in is not required (except at gyms).
- Face masks are not required.

Gyms and indoor recreation facilities can operate with no person or capacity limits in place, including group fitness classes.

COVID-19 Safe Check-in is still required using the Service NSW app, at gyms that are an indoor recreation facility and that is open to members of the public, but does not include a dance, yoga, pilates, gymnastics or martial arts studio.

Indoor swimming pools are open for all purposes.

Community sports, including matches, competitions and training, can take place for all staff, spectators and participants.

Anyone can participate in an outdoor public gathering, such as a barbeque or picnic.

EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Anyone can visit an entertainment facility or indoor and outdoor recreation facilities.

- You are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence.
- COVID-19 Safe Check-in is not required.
- Face masks are not required.

Indoor and outdoor recreation facilities include stadiums, theme parks, zoos, aquariums, and showgrounds.

NOTE:

Should an organisation wish to continue to make vaccinations and masks a condition of entry requirement of ongoing and future activities, they should consider the following:

- That they are not discriminating against any person with a legally valid reason ie. medical exemption, for not being fully vaccinated.
- That any decisions align with the organisation's constitutions and by-laws
- That they seek independent legal advice on the decision

Thank you for your support in helping to keep community sport COVID-19 safe.

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