

## Update May 24, 2020 Stage Two of Easing Restrictions

The Premier of Victoria has today announced the Step 2 easing of restrictions.

Along with easing of groups to 20 people at home or outdoors, from 11:59pm on 31 May, restrictions on gatherings at places of worship and ceremonies will be eased:

- Places of worship can open for private worship or small religious ceremonies for up to 20 people in a single undivided indoor space, subject to the four-square metre rule plus the minimum number of people reasonably required to perform the service or ceremony.
- 20 people in addition to the celebrant and couple being married can attend a wedding. If a wedding is held in a home, a maximum of 20 people is allowed, including the celebrant and the couple.
- 50 people can attend a funeral in addition to the officiant and funeral staff, subject to the four-square metre rule. If a funeral is held in a home, a maximum of 20 people can be present (including the officiant and funeral staff).

Resources:

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) restrictions Victoria](#)

[Religion and Ceremony DHHS](#)

## Update May 2020

[Gradual Easing of Restrictions](#)

Premier Daniel Andrews has announced the first stage of restrictions easing. At this stage, as of 11:59pm Tuesday 12th May:

1. **Indoor Gatherings** – Allow up to 5 visitors at home in addition to the normal residents of a household. This includes the outside and inside of a premise – so the total number at a residence is 5 additional people. This will be an additional reason that people can leave their home – this will be to visit family and friends in group no more than 5 people.
2. **Outdoor Gatherings** – Allow public gatherings of 10. Groups of no more than 10 people can gather for exercise and outdoor activities – Includes household members and other people but a max of 10. A person cannot organise or knowingly attend an outdoor gathering of more than 10 people.
3. **Private worship or small religious ceremonies** will be permitted with up to 10 people, plus those required to perform the ceremony. Please note – an additional requirement of religious ceremonies is to keep records of contact details of each guest, to assist in contact tracing if required.
4. **Funerals** – Allow 20 mourners indoors (people required to conduct the funeral are allowed in addition). If held at a private residence, only 5 people max allowed. Please note – an additional requirement of religious ceremonies is to keep records of contact details of each guest, to assist in contact tracing if required.
5. **Weddings** – Allow 10 guests in addition to the couple and the celebrant. Please note – an additional requirement of religious ceremonies is to keep records of contact details of each guest, to assist in contact tracing if required.

6. **Community facilities** (e.g. – Youth Groups., community centres, foodbanks etc) Allow 10 people for a support group plus the minimum number of people reasonably required to operate the facility or groups – Density quotient applies – does not include the use for Sport. Please note – operators must keep of contact details of each person attending the group to assist in contact tracing if required.

[Further clarification is provided here in the Restricted Activity Directions from the Deputy Chief Health Officer](#)

AS RESTRICTIONS EASE, PLEASE REVIEW HYGIENE AND OTHER MEASURES YOU WILL TAKE IN THE EVENT OF MEMBERS TESTING POSITIVE. RESOURCES BELOW MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE