

**TO:** Special Olympics Victoria Community  
**FROM:** Gareth Hogan, General Manager Operations  
**RE:** COVID-19 Update – Phase D of Victoria Roadmap and easing of restrictions  
**DATE:** 10am – 22 November 2021

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Dear Special Olympics Victoria community,

Victoria has entered Phase D of the State's [roadmap](#) with 90% of eligible Victorian's aged 12 years and older being fully vaccinated. Almost all restrictions have eased for fully vaccinated Victorians, but some COVID-19 risks still remain. There are things that can be done to ensure we keep ourselves and those around us safe: These are laid out below. Please click [HERE](#) for further information:

- We recommend [wearing a mask](#) if you can't physically distance, have any symptoms, or if you are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.
  - o Masks are required indoors at retail, health, care and justice facilities, at primary schools, and on public transport/taxis/rideshare. See the [Face masks](#) page for information about where masks are required.
- You can reduce risks by maintaining 1.5 metre distance from others where possible, using hand sanitiser and practising good hygiene.
- Ventilation and air filtration helps. Consider opening windows to let the fresh air blow through or catching up with friends outside.
- If you have COVID-19 symptoms or if you have been advised to get tested by a contact, workplace or school, [get a COVID-19 test](#) and isolate until you get a negative result.
- If you have COVID-19, or you are a [household contact](#), you need to quarantine. If your symptoms get rapidly worse, please seek help. Visit the hospital if it's an emergency.
- Remember to check in everywhere every time using the Service Victoria App.
- Get vaccinated to protect yourself, your loved ones and your community. If you aren't fully vaccinated, you're at a much higher risk of going to hospital. [Book an appointment](#) today.

### Community Sport

Vaccination requirements don't apply to people involved in community sport or people using swimming pools **for essential medical care.**

However, some venues will still require proof of vaccination to enter their premises depending on their venue category or service offering. If you are not fully vaccinated, you may not be permitted entry into these facilities as per the Victorian State guidelines.

If you are fully vaccinated, you can attend sporting and recreational facilities (e.g. sports grounds, gyms and swimming pools) and sporting events.

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If you are requested to complete a COVIDSafe plan, please use this link: [CLICK HERE](#)

To view the latest restrictions please [CLICK HERE](#)

Special Olympics Australia's COVID-19 Hub: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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