

Dear Church Council Chairpersons & Secretaries, Congregation Admin Assistants & SP3 Coordinators, Pastors and Lay workers

It has been announced today that as of 11.59pm tonight restrictions for **REGIONAL VICTORIA** will ease. Lockdown conditions continue without change for **METROPOLITAN MELBOURNE**.

Regional Victoria Religion and Ceremony

- Indoor patron cap of 100 people and outdoor patron cap of 300 people per venue (excluding those required to conduct religious ceremonies)
- Density quotient of 1 person per 4 sqm applies indoors and outdoors
- QR Codes remain a requirement. A COVID Check-In Marshal must be present
- A venue smaller than 100sqm can have up to 25 people per venue before density quotient applies
- **Funerals (indoor and outdoor):** Permitted with a maximum of 50 mourners (plus those necessary to conduct the funeral). Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap.
- **Weddings (indoor and outdoor):** Permitted with a maximum of 50 people (excluding those required to conduct the wedding, i.e. authorised celebrant)
- Dance floors closed.

In **REGIONAL VICTORIA** the five reasons for leaving home restriction has now been removed. Face coverings must be carried at all times and worn indoors and outdoors except at home (unless an exemption applies)

The current summary of restrictions for **Metropolitan Melbourne and Regional Victoria** is attached.

Yours in Christ

Kate Burke

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