



Greater Sydney (Including Blue Mountains and Wollongong)

Information as at 7 October 2021

PLEASE NOTE: The advice contained in this document is not exhaustive and may be superseded by new orders from the Chief Health Officer. Please check <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/greater-sydney> to ensure you have access to the most up-to-date orders.

The full comprehensive orders are available at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/greater-sydney#restrictions-on-businesses-and-premises>.

We have extracted a summary of the most relevant items for AAAA members.

Authorised Workplaces and Workers

- Employees must work from home if they are reasonably able to work from home.
- Worksites that are not specifically listed as restricted businesses (restricted businesses include retail and others) may remain open for employees who cannot reasonably work from home.
- Retail businesses must remain closed except for:
 - o 'Click and collect' services to pick up items purchased online or over the phone
 - o Delivery services for items purchased online or over the phone
 - o A comprehensive list of restricted businesses is available at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/greater-sydney#restrictions-on-businesses-and-premises>
- Employees who live in Areas of Concern (list: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/affected-area>) and work outside an Area of Concern must:
 - o Have registered to travel out of an area of concern (<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/travel-registration>)
 - o Have received at least 1 dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, or
 - o Have evidence of a medical exemption from receiving a COVID-19 vaccine

Face Coverings

- For employees who are working at a worksite, they must wear a fitted face covering, except when:
 - o Eating or drinking
 - o The nature of the work makes the wearing of a fitted face covering a risk to the person's, or another person's, health and safety
 - o A medical exemption applies, and the employee is carrying a supporting medical certificate or statutory declaration
 - o A comprehensive list of fitted face covering exemptions and other information is available at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/changes/face-mask-rules>

COVID Safety Plans and Record Keeping

- Most workplaces in NSW are required to electronically record the details of people who enter them, including their staff.



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- A comprehensive list of businesses required to use the NSW Government QR Code system and information on how to set up the system is available at:
<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/covid-safe/customer-record-keeping/setting-up-electronic-check-and-qr-codes>
- Many workplaces are required to have COVID Safety Plans in effect, including manufacturing centres, warehouses, retail stores and many more.
 - COVID Safety Plan templates by industry, and what industries require Plans to be in place, are available at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/covid-safe>