
On 15 March 2020, the Minister for Emergency Services declared a state of emergency with effect from 12 a.m. on 16 March 2020 in respect of the pandemic caused by COVID-19 pursuant to section 56 of the Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA) (Act). The state of emergency applies to the State of Western Australia.

The following information provides the essential information required for an authorised person to make a Direction pursuant to the powers under sections 67, 70 and 72A of the Act and in accordance with the Quarantine (Closing the Border) Directions.

PREAMBLE
1. The purpose of this direction is to limit the spread of COVID-19.

CITATION
2. This direction when provided will be a Self-Quarantine Direction.

COMMENCEMENT
3. This direction when administered will come into effect immediately

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION REQUIRED ON APPLICATIONS
1. Date of arrival
2. Number of days at sea since last port
3. Confirmation if anyone has boarded since embarkation from last port
4. Details of residential address in WA (if any) or
5. Details of a flight and location if Short Term Transit or
6. Details of accommodation and flight if overnight stay
7. Details of how the Crew members are being transported around Western Australia?

A vehicle must be facilitated by the shipping company to transfer the crew members as soon as possible and by the most direct route available and without stopping, to a nominated crew hotel (also organised by shipping company)
4. Crew members must wear a face mask at all times during transit and when not in their room.

5. Crew members must remain at the Crew Hotel in self-quarantine, until they leave the hotel to travel directly to the Perth Airport or Shipping Port of embarkment for departure from Western Australia (date of departure to be supplied).

6. These conditions must be complied with unless:
   
   (a) Crew members are given another direction which they are required by law to obey; or
   
   (b) Crew members must leave in order to escape an immediate threat to their safety.

7. If Crew leave the nominated Crew Hotel to escape an immediate threat to their safety, they must:
   
   (a) go no further from the Hotel than they have to in order to escape that threat; and
   
   (b) return to the suitable premises as soon as it is safe for them to do so; and
   
   (c) if you are unable to return to the Crew Hotel within an hour of leaving, telephone the police on 131 444 and inform them that they are subject to a self-quarantine direction and had to leave the suitable premises.

8. Crew members must call 1300 660 321 immediately if they develop or have recently experienced any one or more of these symptoms:
   
   (a) a fever of 38 degrees or above; or
   
   (b) symptoms of acute respiratory infection (including, but without limitation, shortness of breath, a cough or sore throat).

   *Note: even though these symptoms may not be caused by COVID-19, calling that number to tell someone is essential for their safety and the safety of everyone and will help to ensure that they receive any treatment needed.*

9. While Crew are subject to this direction, they must at all times take all reasonable steps to keep at least 1.5 metres away from any other person.

**IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Crew must comply with this direction. It may be an offence to fail to comply with this direction, punishable by imprisonment for up to 12 months or a fine of up to $50,000 for individuals.