



Memo

Date: 22 December 2021
To: All Affiliates, Regions and Members
From: Dean Russell - General Manager
Subject: General Managers Message- COVID Update

Good afternoon all,

The NSW Government has published the [Public Health \(COVID-19 General\) Order \(No 2\) 2021](#). The object of this Order is to repeal and remake the Public Health (COVID-19 General) Order 2021 as part of the roadmap for easing restrictions concerning COVID-19.

Reduced COVID-19 restrictions are now in place in NSW. **These rules apply to everyone in NSW, regardless of vaccination status.**

Changes to rules include:

- density limits no longer apply
- proof of vaccination is not required at many venues
- QR check-in is now only needed for certain high-contact premises
- face masks no longer need to be worn at many indoor areas.

Given the current spread occurring in our state we all have an obligation to protect our community and ourselves. Therefore, the NSWTA **strongly recommends** that **QR check ins remain**. We also **strongly recommend** the need to **social distance** and Affiliates should **actively promote social distancing** and **good hygiene** at all venues.

NSW Health strongly advises people get fully vaccinated and wear a face mask where they cannot socially distance.

SPORT, EXERCISE AND OUTDOOR GATHERINGS

Anyone can participate in sport, exercise, and outdoor gatherings.

- You are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence.
- COVID-19 Safe Check-in is not required (except at gyms). {The NSWTA **strongly recommends** that this practice be retained}.
- Face masks are not required.





Community sports, including matches, competitions and training, can take place for all staff, spectators and participants.

Should an organisation wish to continue to make vaccinations and masks a condition of entry requirement of ongoing and future activities, they should consider the following;

- That they are **not discriminating against** any person with a legally valid reason ie. medical exemption, for not being fully vaccinated.
- That any decisions **align** with the organisation's **constitutions and by-laws**
- That **they seek independent legal advice on the decision**

Thank you for your support in helping to keep community sport COVID-19 safe.

We will continue to monitor the situation throughout the State, NSW Health, the Office of Sport and Sport NSW. We will communicate any future recommendations, changes to COVID-19 Safety Plans or Public Health Orders impacting our sport.

Have a safe and Merry Christmas and let's hope that the New Year brings brighter times.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dean Russell', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dean Russell
General Manager