

Northern Territory of Australia
Public and Environmental Health Act 2011

COVID-19 Directions (No. 41) 2020

Amendment to COVID-19 Directions (No. 38) 2020

I, Hugh Crosbie Heggie, Chief Health Officer, under section 52 of the *Public and Environmental Health Act 2011*, consider it necessary, appropriate or desirable to take action to alleviate the public health emergency in the Territory, declared by instrument entitled "Declaration of Public Health Emergency", dated 18 March 2020, by making the following directions:

Amendment to COVID-19 Directions (No. 38) 2020

- 1 These Directions amend my COVID-19 Directions (No. 38) 2020.
- 2 After direction 3, insert:
 - 3A For these Directions, a person is taken to be a person who enters the Territory from a place outside Australia if the person arrived in a State or another Territory from outside Australia within 14 days before entering the Territory.
- 3 After direction 14(b), insert:
 - (ba) Darwin Waterfront Precinct as specified under section 4 of the *Darwin Waterfront Corporation Act 2006*;
- 4 Revoke direction 23.
- 5 After direction 25, insert:

Division 1A International exemption for person

- 25A A person is exempt from Part 3, Division 1, if the person:
- (a) is granted a written exemption from that Division by me after satisfying me, on application, that the person:
 - (i) poses a minimal risk to the public health of the Territory; and
 - (ii) has a compelling reason justifying the exemption; and

- (b) practises social distancing measures for the quarantine period; and
- (c) submits to the COVID-19 testing procedure referred to in direction 24 if required by me; and
- (d) complies with any conditions I attach to the exemption.


6 After direction 34, insert:

34A Nothing in these Directions prevents a person entering the Territory from outside Australia from leaving the Territory by leaving Australia, without entering a State or another Territory, at any time during the quarantine period.

Notes for COVID-19 Directions

- 1 *Section 56 of the Act provides for an offence for failing to comply with a direction given by me under section 52(3) of the Act.*
- 2 *The maximum penalty for this offence is 400 penalty units.*
- 3 *A person is not guilty of this offence if the person has a reasonable excuse.*

Dated


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