

SADA UPDATE



28 July 2020

Border Restrictions

Please find below a number of updates relevant to the dairy industry regarding the impact of COVID-19 as at Tuesday 28 July 2020.

SA/Vic Border controls – SA has again tightened the controls in place for crossing the SA/Vic Border. As of midnight on Tuesday 28 July 2020 (tonight), South Australians in Victoria will no longer be able to return to their residence and quarantine, unless they are deemed an essential traveller. Essential travellers living in cross border communities will be able to continue moving between the States. It is also expected that Victorians permitted to travel across the border will wear masks whilst in SA at all times. You can view the South Australia Police release here.

Further, the SA Police have provided more detailed guidance on navigating the permit system for essential workers. Anyone travelling into South Australia needs to complete the online cross border pre-approval form at least 72 hours prior to arrival. This includes Essential Travellers. **SAPOL has published a guide outlining examples of evidence Essential Travellers should submit as part of their online application**. If someone has applied online but not yet received a response before travelling they need to take the evidence outlined in the guide in addition to a ID/Driver's licence with them to the border checkpoint. Police will access their online application at the border using their name and ID/Driver's licence. If someone arrives at the border and has not submitted an application online, they will be asked to do so before SAPOL assess their evidence and application at the checkpoint.

Bobby calf supply chain – A series of positive cases in Western Victoria has see a disruption to the operations of several abattoirs with the potential to threaten usual bobby calf supply chain operations in the region and beyond. Dairy Australia is working closely with meat processing industry contacts to get real time updates on the status of any closures. Plans are also underway to set up webinars on the issue of managing bobby calves for farmers should they have to consider alternative options for managing calves. In the meantime, there is information online here about managing surplus calves.

What are the restrictions for truck drivers coming from interstate?

South Australian residents who are truck drivers crossing back and forth over the border (whether it be to Victoria or not) don't have to self-quarantine when they return. They are to minimise time spent in other states and cannot attend a disability care, correctional, health care or aged care facility without prior approval.

Residents of Victoria who are truck drivers and provide transport or freight services into, within and out of South Australia (including any crew on such transport or freight services) on a commercial basis are required to wear a mask at all times when in public and must self-quarantine when they are not conducting their duties.

Truck drivers coming from NSW and ACT are not required to self-quarantine when entering South Australia however they must minimise time spent in South Australia and cannot attend a disability care, correctional, health care or aged care facility without prior approval. The wearing of masks is not mandated but encouraged.

All truck drivers are required to keep records of close contacts.

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A reminder: Essential Traveller Application Evidence Guide

Anyone travelling into South Australia, by road or via the Adelaide airport needs to complete the online cross border pre-approval form at least 72 hours prior to your arrival. This includes Essential Travellers. <u>SAPOL has published a guide</u> outlining examples of evidence Essential Travellers should submit as part of their online application.

Each person applying for an Essential Traveller status will also need to provide details in the short description of why they are travelling. Applicants need to include the business they work for, reasons for visiting, a summary of why they need to enter the state as an essential traveller and if necessary how often they will be travelling to the state. Applicants are advised to provide as much detail as possible as to how they meet the definition of an Essential Traveller, to assist SAPOL in making their determination.

If someone has applied online but not yet received a response before travelling, they need to take the evidence outlined in the guide in addition to a ID/Driver's licence with them to the border checkpoint. Police will access their online application at the border using their name and ID/Driver's licence.

If someone arrives at the border and has not submitted an application online, they will be asked to do so before SAPOL assess their evidence and application at the checkpoint.

Cross Border applications and information.

For information regarding Primary Industries and COVID-19, including <u>all past industry updates</u>, please visit PIRSA's <u>COVID-19 Primary Industries Portal</u>. For the most recent information on SA's response to the Coronavirus pandemic visit <u>www.sa.gov.au/COVID-19</u>.

<u>Restrictions on large gatherings</u> -_As of midnight on Tuesday 28 July 2020, there will also be changes to the Public Gathering direction, with guests at weddings and funerals to be capped at 100 people. Gatherings at private homes will be capped at 50 people. Further details on this will be provided once the direction is released. View the SAPOL release here.