

Protecting yourself from coronavirus

Tasmanian Border Restrictions

Other essential travellers

A State of Emergency has been declared in Tasmania.

From midnight, Friday 20 March 2020, tougher border restrictions will be in place for people coming into Tasmania.

All travellers are required to quarantine for 14 days unless they meet essential traveller or exemption criteria.

All travellers to Tasmania will be required to fill in a Tasmanian Arrivals Card and be screened upon arrival.

You may apply for an exemption from quarantine requirements if you are essential for the proper functioning of Tasmania in the opinion of the Secretary of DPIPWE.

What is covered by this exemption?

It is anticipated that most persons or class of persons that are essential for the proper functioning of the State are already included in existing exemptions:

- National and State Security and Governance
- Transport, freight and logistics
- Specialist skills critical to maintaining key industries or businesses
- Health Services
- Emergency service worker

However, if you consider your circumstance requires a specific exemption may be applied for, with evidence to be provided. Each case will be assessed on its merits by the Secretary, DPIPWE.

Note: Your exemption may only be granted for a short time or specific purpose.

How do I fill out the form?

It is preferable that application is made prior to travel to Tasmania. Fill the Application Form out electronically and submit online.

If you believe that you don't qualify as a category of Essential Traveller, or even under the Hardship provisions of an Essential Traveller please explain how you think you qualify, as any other person, or class of persons, that should be exempt by the Secretary DPIPWE.

Your application will then be forwarded to the Secretary of the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE) for assessment.

When will I know if my exemption has been granted?

You will receive a letter or email from the Secretary of DPIPWE advising you of the decision of your application.

What if my application has not been assessed prior to arrival in Tasmania?

If your application has not been assessed and approved by the time you arrive in Tasmania you must begin the mandatory 14 days of quarantine until your application has been approved.

What if I am not sure if I can an exemption?

If you need assistance in filling out the Application Form or have any questions, contact us via:

Essentialtravellers@dPIPWE.tas.gov.au

Where can I find more information?

For information about the Tasmanian Arrivals Card and the Application for exemption from self-isolation requirement, go to the DPIPWE website: www.dPIPWE.tas.gov.au

Or the Tasmanian Public Health website:

https://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/communicable_diseases_prevention_unit/infectious_diseases/coronavirus

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