

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2004**  
**DIRECTION OF THE STATE CO-ORDINATOR: CROSS BORDER TRAVEL DIRECTION**

On 22 March 2020 I, Grantley Stevens, Commissioner of Police, being the State Co-ordinator for the State of South Australia pursuant to section 14 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004 (the Act)*, declared pursuant to section 23 of the Act that a Major Emergency is occurring in respect of the outbreak of the Human Disease named COVID-19 within South Australia.

Now I, Grantley Stevens, being of the opinion that this is necessary to achieve the purposes of the Act, give the following directions pursuant to section 25 of the Act:

**1. Citation**

This direction may be cited as the *Cross Border Travel Direction 2020*.

**2. Purpose**

The purpose of this direction is to ensure a period of self-quarantine for 14 days to all persons to whom this direction applies, other than Essential Travellers.

**3. Application of direction**

This direction applies to all people who arrive in South Australia from a place outside of South Australia.

**4. Direction**

I direct all people to whom this direction applies, other than Essential Travellers, to:

- a) identify suitable premises and ensure arrangements are in place for them to reside and remain in that place for a 14 day period commencing on the date of their arrival in South Australia;
- b) having identified suitable premises, travel by the most direct practical route and means to those premises;
- c) upon arrival at those premises, reside and remain in those premises, self-quarantined and segregated from other persons (excluding persons who usually live at the premises), for the period beginning on the day of arrival and ending at midnight on the fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) day after arrival into the State;
- d) remain at those premises, except:
  - (i) for the purposes of obtaining medical care or medical supplies; or
  - (ii) in any other emergency situation; or
  - (iii) for any reason approved in advance by the State Co-ordinator or his delegate or an Authorised Officer; and
- e) must take reasonable steps to ensure that no other person enters the premises unless that other person usually lives at the premises, or the other person is also complying with self-quarantine requirements, or for medical or emergency purposes.

## 5. Operation of Overseas Travel Directions

This direction applies in relation to international travellers who arrive in the State on or after the commencement of this direction, to the exclusion of the Overseas Travel Directions 2020. For the avoidance of doubt, the Overseas Travel Directions continue to apply to international travellers who arrived in the State prior to the commencement of this direction.

## 6. Provision of information

I require all people to whom this direction applies to furnish such information to the State Co-ordinator or an Authorised Officer as may be reasonably required in the circumstances.

## 7. Definitions

For the purposes of these directions:

**Authorised Officer** means an authorised officer as defined in the Act.

**Essential Traveller** means a traveller defined by Schedule 1 of this direction.

**Overseas Travel Directions** means the two Directions, both entitled "Self-Quarantine Following Overseas Travel" and made by the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing pursuant to section 90 of the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* and section 25 of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* on 17 March 2020 at 7:30 and 17:30 hours respectively.

## 8. Penalties

Section 28(1) of the *Emergency Management Act 2004* provides:

### Failure to comply with directions

A person must not, without reasonable excuse, refuse or fail to comply with a requirement or direction of the State Co-ordinator or of an authorised officer given in accordance with this Act during a major emergency.

Maximum penalty:

- (a) If the offender is a body corporate - \$75 000
- (b) If the offender is a natural person - \$20 000

## 9. Powers of Authorised Officers

Nothing in this instrument derogates from the powers of Authorised Officers to exercise powers pursuant to the Act.

These directions operate from the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020 at 1100 hours.

SIGNED at ADELAIDE on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH 2020 at 1037 hours.



GRANTLEY STEVENS  
STATE CO-ORDINATOR

## **Schedule 1 to the *Cross Border Travel Direction 2020***

### **MEANING OF ESSENTIAL TRAVELLER**

#### **1. National and State security and governance**

- (a) Any State or Commonwealth Government official who in the conduct of his or her duties is responsible for the safety of Australia or South Australia against threats such as terrorism, war, or espionage, and is required to be physically present in South Australia for such purposes;
- (b) Active military personnel required to be on duty in South Australia who have undergone risk mitigation strategies.

#### **2. Health services**

A person who is requested by the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing, or by the Secretary of the Commonwealth Department of Health, or by the delegate of either, to assist in the provision of health services in South Australia.

#### **3. Essential medical treatment**

A person who travels to South Australia in connection with the receipt of urgent and essential medical treatment.

#### **4. Transport and freight services**

Any person who in the conduct of his or her duties is providing transport or freight services into, within and out of South Australia and is required to be present in South Australia for such purpose.

#### **5. Skills critical to maintaining key industries or businesses**

- (a) A specialist required for industry or business continuity and maintenance of competitive operations where the appropriate skills are not available in South Australia, where the service is time critical and where the provision of the service requires that the person be physically present in South Australia;
- (b) A person who, in the carriage of his or her duties, is responsible, while in South Australia, for critical maintenance or repair of infrastructure critical to South Australia;
- (c) A person who is employed or engaged in agricultural or primary industry that requires the person to be physically present in South Australia
- (d) Interstate travel for persons who ordinarily live or work in South Australia and travel for work purposes for regular periods according to established work schedules (for example, FIFO workers).

#### **6. Emergency services workers**

A person travelling to South Australia in their capacity as an emergency services worker, including fire fighters, paramedics, ambulance officers, police officers.

#### **7. Cross border community members**

A person who is ordinarily resident at or near a South Australian border and who in the ordinary course of their occupation, education or daily life, has reasonable cause to travel across that border.

#### **8. Passing through**

A person who is passing through the State by the most direct practical route and means.

#### **9. Compassionate grounds**

A person who is travelling to South Australia to visit a critically or terminally ill relative.

