

# COVID19 Restrictions for Restaurants and Cafes

COLAC OTWAY SHIRE HEALTH PROTECTION UNIT



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From September 17, COVID19 restrictions for Regional Victoria will change to allow food and drink facilities to reopen for seated indoor and outdoor service (both food and/or drink) as follows:

- o Maximum 10 people per group, seated 1.5m from other groups (both within the venue and between patrons at adjacent venues)
- o Must use reasonable endeavours to determine that customer resides outside of Metropolitan Melbourne.
- o For indoor space: Open with a cap of 10 persons per indoor space, with a maximum of 20 patrons per venue indoors, subject to density requirements 1 per 4m<sup>2</sup>.
- o For outdoor space: Open with cap of 50 patrons per venue outdoors subject to density requirements of 1 per 2m<sup>2</sup>.

## Outdoor spaces

'Outdoors' means:

- a space with no roof; or
  - an open-air space designated for the consumption of food and/or beverage, which may have a temporary or fixed cover (e.g. awning or roof) so long as such cover has at least two open sides to the outdoors for airflow.
  - Roof is defined as any structure or device (whether fixed or movable) that prevents or significantly impedes upward airflow, including a ceiling.
- Wall is defined as any structure or device (whether fixed or movable) that prevents or significantly impedes lateral airflow, including a closed window or door.
  - Outdoor areas may include the following places: a balcony or veranda, courtyard, rooftop, marquee, street or footpath, any similar outdoor area.
  - Pop ups: Should temporary new permits or licences be sought for pop up hospitality venues, a cap of 50 patrons subject to the density quotient will apply.
  - Food courts: remain open for takeaway and delivery only

For further clarification of restrictions visit:

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19>



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