

Victorian Freight and Logistics Industry Coronavirus (COVID-19) update

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Victoria's response to South Australian outbreak

Interstate freight operators travelling through Victoria from South Australia (SA) will be offered extra access to asymptomatic testing for coronavirus (COVID-19) to assist in preventing any spread from the current outbreak in Adelaide.

A testing site is being set up at the Nhill Trailer Exchange on the Western Highway and will be operating from tomorrow. Other testing sites will be progressively added at other major freight routes in coming days. And freight operators can now get asymptomatic testing at more than 193 other sites across Victoria.

Please visit the DDHS Getting Tested webpage - <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/getting-tested>

All freight operators travelling into SA are able to access these testing sites which have been established to support South Australia in ensuring freight operators meet its mandatory COVID-19 testing requirements.

There has been no change to the Victorian requirements, where freight operators do not need to have a COVID-19 test if they are asymptomatic but must have an appropriate COVIDsafe plan in place.

We are working with the major interstate freight companies, independent operators and industry peak bodies to provide advice about the need for testing.

All freight operators tested will have their samples fast-tracked for analysis. They will be allowed to continue on their journey and will be contacted quickly once their results are known.

Anyone who has been in SA in the last 14 days should check the exposure sites listed on the [SA Health website](https://tinyurl.com/y64ap3qe) <https://tinyurl.com/y64ap3qe> and take the appropriate actions.

For instance, if they were in the Lyell McEwin Hospital Emergency Department or the Aquadome in Elizabeth at the specified times, they should quarantine and contact the Department of Health and Human services (DHHS) for advice.

And if they have any symptoms, no matter how mild, they should get tested and self-isolate until the result is available.

Currently the SA border is closed to Victorians which is limiting cross-border traffic. Victoria's borders remain open.

Please visit the DHHS's Information for people travelling from South Australia to Victoria webpage - <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/information-people-travelling-sa-vic-covid-19>

Further COVID information

The [coronavirus.vic.gov.au](https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/) website is your new home for coronavirus (COVID-19) information. Visit <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/>

A dedicated Industry Coordination Centre has been set up within the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions to support businesses and consider 'grey area' cases to determine if businesses can safely operate under Third Step restrictions.

If you are a small to medium business looking for information or assistance relating to coronavirus (COVID-19), please see the Business Victoria Coronavirus Business Support page

<https://www.business.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19/business-support/coronavirus-business-information>

Business Victoria is part of the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions. For help with your business or to ask a question about the website contact Business Victoria (Local call) on telephone **13 22 15**.

Freight Victoria in the Department of Transport is the central point of contact for Victorian Government industry information. Further enquiries should be directed to freightvictoria@transport.vic.gov.au

This update will be sent to you monthly or as required.