Roadmap to easing access restrictions for Queensland’s remote communities

**CONTINUING CONDITIONS** • Social distancing, 1.5 metres and hygiene • Stay at home if you’re sick • Tracking, tracing, rapid response • Work at home if it works for you and your employer

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<td><strong>ENTRY TO REMOTE AREAS</strong></td>
<td>Commencement on 1 June 2020, in line with Chief Health Officer Public Health Direction – Quarantine within Designated Areas</td>
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**What do the restrictions mean?**
- Residents will no longer have to quarantine outside of community if they leave, unless they have COVID-19 related symptoms or are unable to satisfy other pre-conditions of entry.
- Existing exemptions by the Chair of LDMGs will continue to apply (i.e. granting approval to leave for specific reasons, and ensuring they do not need to quarantine on return to community).

**Who won’t need to quarantine?**
- Workers with an approved biosecurity plan.
- People travelling through a community but not stopping.
- Exemptions provided by Chair of LDMG.

**What are the restricted areas?**
- Restricted areas include the Local Government Areas of: Aurukun; Cook; Hope Vale; Kowanyama; Lockhart River; Mapoon; Napranum; Northern Peninsula Area; Pompuraaw; Torres Strait Island; Torres; Wujal Wujal; Burke; Doomadgee; Cherbourg; Mornington: Palm Island; Woorabinda; Yarrabah and Weipa.

**Will this be enforced?**
- Police and ADF personnel will continue to vet those entering restricted areas, to ensure compliance.

**What does this mean for remote communities?**
- Communities declared to be in Stage 3 are subject to the same provisions as other Queenslanders under the Roadmap to Easing Restrictions (www.covid19.qld.gov.au/government-actions/roadmap-to-easing-queenslands-restrictions).

**Other groups exempt from quarantine:**
- Residents of a Declared Travel Zone visiting a family member in a designated area.
- Workers entering a designated area with a Queensland risk management plan.
- Workers entering a designated area from a declared travel zone or for an urgent purpose (no requirement for a Queensland risk management plan).
- As under Stage 1: quarantining inside community can occur and the same preconditions of entry apply, including no COVID-19 related symptoms in the last 14 days.

**Considerations for transitioning to Stage 2 or 3**
- Decisions about whether communities can move to Stages 2 and 3 will be made by the Chief Health Officer based on public health conditions for each community, including the reported number of cases, rapid response capability, community consultation and in line with the Commonwealth framework for easing remote area restrictions.

**Stage 3 subject to the following conditions:**
- There are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in a community.
- The community has an appropriate plan in place.
- An appropriate testing regime is in place for the community.
- There is a clear rapid response framework in place for the community.

Entry and quarantine restrictions no longer apply for communities declared by the Chief Health Officer as being in Stage 3.

Restrictions on gatherings, permitted travel and business activity continue to apply under the state-wide Chief Health Officer Directions.