

Northern Territory of Australia
Public and Environmental Health Act 2011
COVID-19 Directions (No. 12) 2020

I, Hugh Crosbie Heggie, Chief Health Officer, under section 52 of the *Public and Environmental Health Act 2011*, consider it necessary, appropriate or desirable to take action to alleviate the public health emergency in the Territory, declared by instrument entitled "Declaration of Public Health Emergency", dated 18 March 2020, by making the following directions:

Amendment to COVID-19 Directions (No. 10) 2020

- 1 These Directions amend my COVID-19 Directions (No. 10) 2020.
- 2 Omit direction 4(b) and insert:
 - (b) a venue used to conduct an auction conducted under the *Auctioneers Act 1935*;
- 3 Omit direction 4(l), (m), (n) and (o) and insert:
 - (l) a public library;
 - (m) a place that provides physical training activities indoors or physical training activities outdoors with more than 10 people present.
- 4 Omit the examples for direction 4(o) and direction 4(n) and insert:

Examples for direction 4(m)
Fitness classes or a "boot camp".
- 5 In direction 5, omit "direction 4(l) to (o)" and insert "direction 4(m) and direction 8".
- 6 After direction 7, insert:
 - 8 A person must not organise or participate in the following group activities:
 - (a) a wedding with more than 5 people present, including the celebrant;

- (b) a funeral with more than 10 people present;
- (c) a sporting activity engaged in by more than 2 people who do not ordinarily reside together at the same premises.

Examples for direction 8(c)

Basketball, bike-riding, cricket, football, netball, running and soccer.

- 9 To avoid doubt, these Directions do not prohibit any service or activity provided or conducted electronically or online.

Notes for COVID-19 Directions

- 1 *Section 56 of the Public and Environmental Health Act 2011 provides for an offence for failing to comply with a direction given by the Chief Health Officer under section 52(3) of that Act.*
- 2 *The maximum penalty for this offence is 400 penalty units.*
- 3 *A person is not guilty of this offence if the person has a reasonable excuse.*

Dated

Chief Health Officer