



Northern Territory of Australia

*Public and Environmental Health Act 2011*

**COVID-19 Directions (No. 64) 2021:  
Amendments to COVID-19 Directions (No. 61) 2021**

I, Charles Hawkhurst Pain, Acting Chief Health Officer, under section 52 of the *Public and Environmental Health Act 2011* (the **Act**), 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, (the **public health emergency declaration**), by making the following directions:

- 1 These Directions take effect on signing and remain in force while my COVID-19 Directions (No. 61) 2021 remain in force.

*Note for direction 1*

*These Directions will remain in force during any subsequent extensions of the duration of that declaration, which may be made under section 50(2) of the Act.*

- 2 These Directions amend COVID-19 Directions (No. 61) 2021, Directions to lockout Darwin and surrounding areas of the Territory.

- 3 Direction 2, definition **vaccinated worker**

*omit*

- 4 Direction 2

*insert*

**essential worker**, means a person who is declared in Schedule 1 to be an essential worker for the purpose of these Directions.

5 Directions 7(a)(iii) and 11(a)(iii)

*omit*

a vaccinated essential worker

*insert*

an essential worker

6 Direction 12(c)

*omit, insert*

(c) to obtain goods or services from a vaccinated essential worker or from an essential business, place, activity or service;

7 Direction 12(g) and (h)

*omit, insert*

(g) to provide the following in the lockout area, but only to a vulnerable child or the child of an essential worker:

(i) child care;

(ii) early childhood education or education in a primary or secondary school;

(h) to drop off or pick up a child for the following in the lockout area:

(i) child care;

(ii) early childhood education or education in a primary or secondary school;

*Notes for COVID-19 Directions*

1 *Section 56 of the Act provides for an offence for failing to comply with a direction given by me under section 52 of the 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.*

4 *An infringement notice may be given for failing to comply these Directions with a fine equal to 32 penalty units for an individual and 160 penalty units for a body corporate.*



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Acting Chief Health Officer

Dated 5 November 2021 9:58am