

## COVID-19 Message

Dear Members,

I hope you have been enjoying some time with family and friends over the last few days.

As you may have heard there have been a number of positive cases of COVID-19 linked to community transmission. With this the WA Government has introduced a mask mandate and cancelled a number of large scale events.

The COVID Action Group has reviewed the mandates and can advise that face to face scouting in the Perth and Peel regions can continue as can camping and sleepover type activities, however it is important that the public health orders are followed.

Masks must be worn by adults and high school aged students when indoors, or outdoors if social distancing is not possible.

Full details of the restrictions can be found at [www.wa.gov.au](http://www.wa.gov.au)

A reminder to all Groups and members that it is a requirement that everyone who enters the hall or attends the meeting night, including parents who enter the foyer area when dropping off their children, must either scan in using the SafeWA app or complete the contact register.

Please note that Scouts WA requires all youth members to be recorded as having attended no matter their age. Group Leaders should take appropriate steps to ensure this is completed. The use of the SafeWA app and/or contact registers will be a requirement moving forward, even after the lifting of the current restrictions.

All Groups should ensure that their COVID Safety Plans are reviewed and updated. For all activities:

- Encourage hand sanitation/cleaning on arrival.
- Remind everyone (parents and youth members) that no one should attend when sick.
- 1.5m physical distance recommendation remains, including in lining up, activities, opening/closing.
- Clean high touch areas and a regular basis.
- COVID-19 Action Plan should be displayed.

Any changes to restrictions will be reviewed by the Scouts WA COVID-19 Action Group and updates provided as indicated.

Group Leaders and Sections Leaders should contact their District Commissioner or Regional Chief Commissioner with any questions.

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