



Exemption

Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 4) 2021

Made under the *Public Health Act 2010* (NSW)

I, Laura Collie, delegate of the Minister for Health, under clause 15 of the *Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 4) 2021* (**the Order**), being satisfied it is necessary to protect the health and wellbeing of any member of the public, hereby grant the following exemption from the Order:

- 1) Despite clauses 7A and 8, an Exempt Person can leave their place of residence or other suitable accommodation (Residence) to attend childcare (the Facility), including travelling to and from the Residence or Facility, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The Exempt Person must receive an initial negative PCR test, and can then be tested daily for COVID-19 using a rapid antigen test for the remainder of the 7 day isolation period following the date of last exposure.
 - b. If the Exempt Person receives a non-negative result on a rapid antigen test, they must immediately seek COVID-19 PCR testing and self-isolate at their residence until they receive a negative result.
 - c. The Exempt Person must comply with any additional PCR testing during the self-isolation period as directed by NSW Health.
 - d. The Exempt Person must notify the Facility of any COVID-19 test result received in relation to a test undertaken in accordance with this exemption. This notification is to occur in a method authorised by the director of the Facility.
 - e. Exempt Person must take the most practicable direct route to and from the Residence and the Facility.
 - f. When not at the Facility, or travelling to and from the Residence and the Facility, the Exempt Person must continue to comply with the Order.

In this exemption:

- An *Exempt Person* means a person who:
 - i) is a child or staff member of a childcare facility who has been notified as a close contact of a COVID-19 case, and
 - ii) has received a negative PCR test result for a COVID-19 test taken at the start of the Exempt Person's self-isolation period, and
 - iii) has received a rapid antigen testing kit from, or on behalf of, the principal of the Facility.
- The *self-isolation period* means the period for which the Exempt Person has been notified to self-isolate for under the Order.

This exemption instrument may be revoked at any time.

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Dated: 05/01/22