



Exemption

Public Health (COVID-19 Air Transportation Quarantine) Order (No 4) 2020

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

I, Kerry Chant, Chief Health Officer and delegate of the Minister for Health and Medical Research, under clause 14 of the *Public Health (COVID-19 Air Transportation Quarantine) Order (No 4) 2020* (**the Order**), do hereby grant the following exemption:

1. A flight crew member on a specified flight who is not declared flight crew member is exempt from clause 5 of the Order subject to the following conditions:
 - a. the flight crew member (excluding the pilot of the aircraft) must not disembark the aircraft
 - b. to the extent the flight crew member is the pilot of the aircraft:
 - i. disembarkation from the aircraft can only occur for the purposes of conducting a pre-flight safety check prior to departure; and
 - ii. a mask must be worn at all times during the pre-flight safety check
 - c. the flight crew member has undertaken and complied with the engagement and checking process specified by the Australian Border Force and has been cleared in accordance with the ABF legislative clearance requirements.
2. This exception is subject to no person boarding the aircraft, other than a passenger scheduled to depart Australia on the specified flight
3. Despite condition 2, essential aircraft servicing staff are able to enter the aircraft with the following controls:
 - a. The flight crew members must be physically separated in an enclosed zone of the aircraft
 - b. A mask must be worn at all times by the essential aircraft servicing staff and, where practicable given the tasks being performed, hand hygiene and gloves used.
 - c. Essential aircraft servicing staff must use non face-to-face methods to communicate essential aircraft checks to flight crew members.

In this exemption:

- *flight crew member* and *declared flight crew member* has the same meaning as defined under the Order
- *specified flight* is an international flight including a flight that stops at a terminal in another state or territory (provided it is an international terminal) before leaving Australia.

Kerry Chant
Chief Health Officer

Dated 14th January 2021 3:00 pm.