

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – COVID Safe Update

The Victorian Government has in place [Industry Guidelines Ports of Entry \(Airports and Maritime\)](#) for businesses and industry in relation to COVID-19. The definition of a 'Port of Entry worker' and the controls in place for those meeting this classification are detailed in the Industry Guidelines Ports of Entry (Airports and Maritime) and have been communicated to GeelongPort Customers and Port Users.

To comply with the Industry Guidelines Port of Entry (Airports and Maritime) businesses who have employees that may meet the definition of a 'Port of Entry worker' are required to understand their obligations and put in place measures to meet their obligations.

GeelongPort site entry controls

GeelongPort has COVID Safe site rules in place which include:

- Stay home if you are unwell and get tested for COVID-19
- Face masks are mandatory when indoors and outdoors (face shields, bandanas and scarves are not acceptable)
- Continue to maintain a social distance of at least 1.5 metres where possible
- Practice good hand hygiene
- All port users and their contractors must have a compliant COVID Safe Plan in place before arriving on site
- All Port of Entry Workers (PoEW) will need to follow their employers process for COVID declarations and temperature testing prior to commencing each shift.
- Authorised Workers from Melbourne must carry a certified Authorised Worker permit.

Surveillance Testing for Port of Entry Workers

Where listed in the [Surveillance Testing Industry List and Requirements](#) (as amended from time to time on the advice of the Chief Health Officer), employers must carry out workplace testing for COVID-19 on its workers including:

- those sections of its workforce required to be tested under the Department Surveillance Testing Industry List and Requirements; and
- a weekly surveillance testing target of the percentage of workers that are to be tested for each industry listed in the Surveillance Testing Industry List and Requirements; and
- keep records of surveillance testing of workers for COVID-19.

Full details can be found in the Surveillance Testing Industry List and Requirements.