

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)

### Sections 67, 70 and 72A

## ALLIANCE AIRLINES FLIGHT QQ383 SPECIAL PRESENTATION FOR TESTING AND ISOLATION DIRECTIONS

The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on 11 March 2020.

On 15 March 2020, the Minister for Emergency Services declared a state of emergency with effect from 12 a.m. on 16 March 2020 in respect of the pandemic caused by COVID-19 pursuant to section 56 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA) (Act) (State of Emergency)*. The State of Emergency applies to the State of Western Australia.

I, Gary Elmars Dreibergs, Acting Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator, now give the following directions pursuant to my powers under sections 67, 70 and 72A of the Act.

### PREAMBLE

1. The purpose of these directions is to help prevent the importation of COVID-19 into Western Australia following recent community transmission of COVID-19 in the Northern Territory community and to otherwise limit the spread of COVID-19 in Western Australia.

### CITATION

2. These directions may be referred to as the **Alliance Airlines Flight QQ383 Special Presentation for Testing and Isolation Directions**.

### COMMENCEMENT

3. These directions come into effect immediately upon signing.

### DIRECTIONS

4. A **relevant person** must comply with the **special outbreak requirements**, unless an **authorised officer** directs otherwise.

*Note: Under the special outbreak requirements, the person must immediately go to suitable premises and quarantine, until they present for testing for COVID-19 in accordance with the special outbreak requirements. Once the person has been tested, they must isolate in accordance with the special outbreak requirements until they receive*

*a test result that is negative for COVID-19. The definitions section of these directions sets out what is meant by suitable premises.*

5. A relevant person who is required to comply with the Northern Territory Exposure Site Directions must comply with these directions and not those directions.

#### **General Obligation to Comply**

6. A relevant person must also comply with any other **direction** given to them by an authorised officer.
7. If a person to whom paragraph 4 of these directions applies was given an oral direction by an authorised officer which required them to undertake a period of quarantine in suitable premises, the person is no longer required to comply with that oral direction and must instead comply with these directions as if they were in effect at the time the person entered Western Australia but nothing in these directions affects the operation of the oral direction prior to these directions coming into effect.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

8. **Authorised officer** has the same meaning that it has in the Act.
9. **COVID Clinic** has the same meaning that it has in the Presentation for Testing Directions (No 26) as amended or replaced from time to time.
10. **Direction** includes a quarantine direction and any other direction under the Act or the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA), whether the direction is given orally or in writing.
11. **Emergency officer** has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA).
12. **Informed** has the same meaning that it has in the Quarantine and Isolation (Undiagnosed) Directions (No 2) as amended or replaced from time to time.
13. **Instruction** means an instruction given for the purposes of these directions which is not a direction, whether the instruction is given orally or in writing, and **instructed** means instructed by way of an instruction given for the purposes of these directions, whether the instruction is given orally or in writing.
14. **Relevant officer** means:
  - (a) an authorised officer; or
  - (b) an emergency officer; or

(c) a **responsible officer**.

15. **Responsible officer** means:

(a) an officer, employee or contractor of the Department of Health; or

(b) an officer, employee or contractor of a health service provider, as that term is defined by section 6 of the *Health Services Act 2016* (WA); or

any other person authorised by the Chief Health Officer orally or in writing to perform a function for the purposes of these directions.

16. **Relevant person** means any person on the Alliance Airlines flight QQ383 that departed the Northern Territory at 12.15pm (Central Standard Time) on 18 June 2021 and arrived in Western Australia at 1.38pm (Western Standard Time) on 18 June 2021.

*Note: for the avoidance of doubt, the definition of relevant person includes the flight crew who serviced the flight referred to in paragraph 16.*

17. **Special outbreak requirements** means the requirements set out in Schedule 1 to these directions.

18. **Suitable premises** means premises which meet the following criteria:

(a) if the person is or is likely to be required by a direction to present for testing, they are close enough to a place where testing can occur in accordance with a direction to enable the person to comply with that direction; and

(b) they enable the person quarantining there to have access to a bedroom, and preferably a bathroom, without the need to share them with any other person who is not also quarantining there; and

(c) food and medication can be delivered to them as required without the need to come into contact with the person quarantining there.

19. **Symptoms** means any one or more of the following:

(a) a fever of 37.5 degrees or above; or

(b) a recent history of fever; or

(c) symptoms of acute respiratory infection (including, but without limitation, shortness of breath, a cough or sore throat); or

(d) a loss of smell or taste.

20. **Tested** has the same meaning that it has in the Quarantine and Isolation (Undiagnosed) Directions (No 2) as amended or replaced from time to time.

21. **Test result** has the same meaning that it has in the Quarantine and Isolation (Undiagnosed) Directions (No 2) as amended or replaced from time to time.

#### **PENALTIES**

It may be an offence not to comply with any of these directions, punishable by imprisonment for up to 12 months or a fine of up to \$50,000.

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**Gary Elmars Dreibergs**  
Acting Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator

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## SCHEDULE 1

### Special Outbreak Requirements

#### Travel immediately to suitable premises

1. Subject to paragraphs 2 to 5 you must travel as soon as possible and by the most direct route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel or rest to suitable premises.
2. You may travel to suitable premises via **suitable overnight accommodation** if it is unsafe or impracticable for you to travel directly to suitable premises without stopping for overnight rest.
3. If you travel to suitable premises via suitable overnight accommodation, prior to your arrival at the suitable overnight accommodation you must:
  - (a) notify the accommodation provider in advance that you are subject to self-quarantine requirements; and
  - (b) ensure the accommodation provider is willing to accept you.
4. If you travel to suitable premises via suitable overnight accommodation, while at the suitable overnight accommodation you must:
  - (a) proceed directly to your **allotted room** and remain within that room until you leave pursuant to paragraph 5 unless you need to leave your allotted room to escape an immediate threat to your safety; and
  - (b) obtain food or refreshments only via room service or delivery; and
  - (c) keep the door to your allotted room closed at all times, except to the extent necessary:
    - (i) to allow a person referred to in paragraph 21 to enter the room; or
    - (ii) for receiving deliveries including meals, packages or medical treatment.
5. If you travel to suitable overnight accommodation, you must leave the suitable overnight accommodation as early as practicable on the morning following your overnight stay and recommence your travel to the suitable premises.

6. You must travel to the suitable premises:
  - (a) in your own vehicle or a private vehicle; or
  - (b) by taxi or rideshare service; or
  - (c) in another way which an authorised officer orally directs you to take,and for the avoidance of doubt, you must not travel to the suitable premises using any form of mass public transport, such as a bus, train or aircraft.
7. You must wear a face mask if available and practicable from when you enter Western Australia until you arrive at the suitable premises provided that:
  - (a) if the suitable premises is an allocated room or apartment at an accommodation facility, you must continue to wear a face mask until you enter the allocated room or apartment; and
  - (b) if you travel to suitable premises via suitable overnight accommodation, you may remove your face mask when you are in your allotted room at the suitable overnight accommodation.

#### **Immediate quarantine**

8. Subject to paragraphs 10 and 19, as soon as you arrive at the suitable premises, you must remain inside them until you present for testing in accordance with paragraph 11 or 12.
9. Paragraphs 18 to 22 apply to you while you are required to remain inside your suitable premises pursuant to paragraph 8.
10. If you were tested for COVID-19 by a **relevant officer** before you left the airport, you are not required to comply with paragraphs 11 to 15 but you must isolate in accordance with paragraph 16.

#### **Presenting for testing**

11. You must within 48 hours of arriving at the suitable premises:
  - (a) go to the COVID Clinic nearest to you as early as possible within that 48 hour period; and
  - (b) inform a relevant officer at the COVID Clinic that you are required to attend the COVID Clinic under these directions; and

- (c) comply with any **instruction** which a relevant officer at the COVID Clinic gives to you; and
  - (d) answer truthfully if a relevant officer at the COVID Clinic asks you to describe your state of health or asks whether you have or have had any **symptoms**; and
  - (e) remain at the COVID Clinic until:
    - (i) you have been tested for COVID-19; or
    - (ii) a relevant officer has **instructed** you that you may leave the COVID Clinic.
12. Even if you fail to comply with the requirements in paragraph 11, you must still present for testing in accordance with the requirements in paragraph 11(a) to (e) as soon as is practicable thereafter, and for the avoidance of doubt, you must remain at your suitable premises until such time as you go to the COVID Clinic.
13. Once you are no longer required to remain at the COVID Clinic, you must travel as soon as possible and by the most direct route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel to your suitable premises.
14. You must travel to and from the COVID Clinic nearest to you by:
- (a) private vehicle, a taxi or rideshare service; or
- Note: a rideshare service does not include a bus, train or other form of mass public transport.*
- (b) walking, provided that the COVID Clinic is located within 2 km of your suitable premises and you take all reasonable steps to keep at least 1.5 metres away from any other person whilst walking to or from the COVID Clinic.
15. You must wear a face mask, if available and practicable, from when you leave your suitable premises until you return to them from the COVID Clinic.

### **Isolation following testing**

16. As soon as you arrive at your suitable premises from the COVID Clinic, you must isolate until you are **informed** of your test result, unless you were informed by a relevant officer at the COVID Clinic that you do not have to isolate.
17. Paragraphs 18 to 22 apply to you while you are required to isolate in your suitable

premises.

*Note: If you receive a negative test result for COVID-19, you will no longer be required to isolate. If you receive a positive test result for COVID-19, you must isolate in accordance with Isolation (Diagnosed) Directions (No 2).*

### **Provisions applicable to suitable premises**

18. You must:
  - (a) remain inside your suitable premises unless:
    - (i) you are given another direction which you are required by law to obey; or
    - (ii) you must leave the suitable premises to escape an immediate threat to your safety in accordance with paragraph 19; and
  - (b) cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough; and
  - (c) wash your hands often and thoroughly with soap and water or alcohol rub for at least 20 seconds on each occasion that you wash your hands.
19. If you leave the suitable premises to escape an immediate threat to your safety, you must:
  - (a) go no further from them than you have to in order to escape that threat; and
  - (b) return to the suitable premises as soon as it is safe for you to do so; and
  - (c) if you are unable to return to the suitable premises within an hour of leaving, telephone the police on 131 444 and inform them that you are subject to a these directions and had to leave the suitable premises.
20. If your suitable premises are an allocated room or apartment or other similar accommodation at an accommodation facility, you must remain inside your allocated room or apartment or other similar accommodation, and not enter any shared facilities or common property at the accommodation facility.
21. You must not allow any person to access your suitable premises unless the person:
  - (a) is a relevant officer, or a person assisting a relevant officer; or
  - (b) accesses the suitable premises for medical or emergency purposes; or
  - (c) is required to access the suitable premises for the purpose of performing critical and time-sensitive maintenance at the suitable premises; or

(d) is acting in compliance with a direction or instruction given by a relevant officer;  
or

(c) usually resides at the suitable premises,

provided that no more than two persons access the suitable premises at any one time if they access the suitable premises in accordance with paragraph 21(a) to (c).

22. While in your allotted room or the suitable premises you must wear a face mask whenever:

(a) you open a door to your allotted room or the suitable premises and speak with, or otherwise interact with, any person who does not ordinarily reside at the suitable premises; or

(b) any person referred to in paragraph 21(a) to (d) is in your allotted room or the suitable premises.

**Obligations applicable at all times while you are subject to obligations under this schedule**

23. You must call 13 COVID (13 268 43) immediately if you develop or have recently experienced any one or more of these symptoms:

(a) a fever of 37.5 degrees or above; or

(b) a recent history of fever; or

(c) symptoms of acute respiratory infection (including, but without limitation, shortness of breath, a cough or sore throat); or

(d) loss of smell or loss of taste.

*Note: Even though these symptoms may not be caused by COVID-19, calling that number to tell someone is essential to your safety and the safety of everyone and will help to ensure that you receive any treatment you need.*

24. You must:

(a) take all reasonable steps to keep at least 1.5 metres away from any other person;  
and

(b) answer truthfully if a relevant officer asks you to describe your state of health or whether you have or have had any symptoms; and

(c) comply with any other direction or instruction given by a relevant officer.

## **DEFINITIONS**

25. **Allotted room** means your allotted room at suitable overnight accommodation.
26. **Suitable overnight accommodation** means accommodation where you will have your own room and will not be required to share bathrooms or other facilities with any other persons.