# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)

Sections 67, 71 and 72A

### PERTH SCORCHERS WBBL TRAINING AND VENUE 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.

Pursuant to my powers as a police officer under section 71 of the Act, and the powers given to me under sections 67 and 72A of the Act to give other directions to all persons in Western Australia to prevent, control or abate the risks associated with the emergency presented by the pandemic caused by COVID-19, I, Christopher John Dawson, Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator, now give the following directions.

#### **PREAMBLE**

1. The purpose of these directions is to facilitate the training of **Perth Scorchers relevant persons** consistent with limiting the spread of COVID-19.

#### **CITATION**

2. These directions may be referred to as the **Perth Scorchers WBBL Training and Venue**Directions.

### **COMMENCEMENT**

3. These directions come into effect at the time of signing.

#### **OPERATION**

- 4. These directions apply despite the Closure and Restriction (Limit the Spread) Directions (No 9) or any further directions that I give that replace those directions, and to the extent of any inconsistency between them, these directions prevail.
- 5. For the avoidance of doubt these directions are not intended to limit in any way the holding of a gathering, the carrying out of an activity or the opening of a venue in any

- manner that can lawfully be done under the Closure and Restriction (Limit the Spread) Directions (No 9) or any further directions that I give that replace those directions.
- 6. These directions apply to a Perth Scorchers relevant person in addition to the **self-quarantine requirements**. A Perth Scorchers relevant person must comply with the self-quarantine requirements except to the extent that those requirements are modified by these directions.

#### **DIRECTIONS**

## Authorised training activity

- 7. Notwithstanding the self-quarantine requirements, a Perth Scorchers relevant person:
  - (a) may leave the **suitable premises** between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm on 8, 9 and 10 December 2020 to **participate** in an **authorised training activity** between 1:00pm and 5:00 pm at the **approved training venue** provided that:
    - (i) the Perth Scorchers relevant person is not displaying **symptoms**; and
    - (ii) the Perth Scorchers relevant person travels either alone or with one or more other Perth Scorchers relevant persons by private motor vehicle from the suitable premises to the approved training venue by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel or to collect a Perth Scorchers relevant person from suitable premises; and
    - (iii) whilst at the approved training venue the Perth Scorchers relevant person complies with the **approved plan**; and
    - (iv) at the end of the authorised training activity, the Perth Scorchers relevant person travels either alone or with one or more other Perth Scorchers relevant persons by private motor vehicle from the approved training venue to the suitable premises by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel or to drop off a Perth Scorchers relevant person to suitable premises; and
    - (v) when travelling, the Perth Scorchers relevant person must wear a face mask if available and practicable,

and

(b) must take all reasonable steps to keep at least 1.5 metres away from any other person, except in circumstances where the Perth Scorchers relevant person is participating in an authorised training activity or travelling between the suitable premises and the approved training venue in accordance with paragraph 7(a).

### WACA to ensure compliance with an approved plan

8. The WACA must take all reasonable steps to ensure that an approved plan is complied with.

## **Approved Training Venue**

- 9. While a Perth Scorchers relevant person is present at the approved training venue, the owner, occupier or person apparently in charge of the venue:
  - (a) must not allow, and must take all reasonable steps to prevent, any person entering the venue, unless that person:
    - (i) is a Perth Scorchers relevant person participating in an authorised training activity at the venue; or
    - (ii) enters the venue in accordance with the approved plan for the venue; or
    - (iii) is required to enter the venue for the purpose of providing or facilitating the provision of urgent medical treatment to a person at the venue; or
    - (iv) is required to enter the venue for the purpose of performing critical maintenance at the venue; or
    - (v) is an authorised officer; or
    - (vi) is otherwise approved in accordance with paragraph 10(b); and
  - (b) must comply with the approved plan for the approved training venue; and
  - (c) must take all reasonable steps to ensure that any person employed or engaged by them or employed or engaged by such a person (including any officer, employee, agent or contractor) complies with the approved plan for the approved training venue.

- 10. While a Perth Scorchers relevant person is present at an approved training venue, a person must not enter the venue unless that person is:
  - (a) a person falling within a category of persons referred to in sub-paragraph 9(a)(i) to (v); or
  - (b) a person otherwise approved by me or a person authorised by me for that purpose either orally or in writing, and who complies with any terms or conditions to which that approval is subject.

### AUTHORISATION

11. For the purposes of paragraphs 10(b) and 11, I authorise any police officer acting at or above the rank of Inspector to give the approval referred to in those paragraphs.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 12. **Approved plan** means a plan approved in writing by me or a person authorised by me for that purpose for the operation of the approved training venue.
- 13. **Approved training venue** means that part of the WACA ground located at Nelson Crescent, East Perth WA 6004 that consists of the area marked "quarantine exclusion zone" in the maps at Annexure A and Annexure B of the document titled Perth Scorchers WBBL Training Area Quarantine Zone and Protocols dated 4 December 2020.
- 14. **Authorised officer** has the same meaning that it has in the Act.

*Note: at the time of giving these directions, all police officers are authorised officers.* 

- 15. **Authorised training activity** means training and related exercise and physical conditioning undertaken in connection with playing or preparing to play cricket in the **WNCC**, including:
  - (a) individual training, group or full squad training, drills or exercises; and
  - (b) any activity that is reasonably necessary or incidental to the training programme of a WNCC player, including, for the avoidance of doubt, physiotherapy, sports medicine or club meetings.

## 16. Participate means to:

(a) undertake or engage in; or

- (b) organise; or
- (c) attend.

## 17. **Perth Scorchers relevant person** means:

- (a) a person who was contracted to play **WBBL** cricket for the team known as Perth Scorchers in the 2020 WBBL season and who entered Western Australia on 26 November 2020; or
- (b) a person who coaches or trains a relevant person in paragraph (a); or
- (c) a support officer.
- 18. **Police officer** means a person appointed under Part I of the *Police Act 1892* (WA) to be a member of the Police Force of Western Australia.
- 19. **Self-quarantine requirements** has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
- 20. **Suitable Premises** has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
- 21. **Support officer** means a person who is appropriately trained and qualified to provide support to a relevant person described in paragraph 17(a) or (b) and includes, for the avoidance of doubt, medical personnel engaged by the WACA.
- 22. **Symptoms** means any one or more of:
  - (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.
- 23. WACA means the Western Australian Cricket Association.
- 24. **WBBL** means the Women's Big Bash League.
- 25. **WNCC** means the Women's National Cricket Competition.

# **PENALTIES**

A failure to comply with these directions may be an offence which is punishable by imprisonment for up to 12 months or a fine of up to \$50,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for bodies corporate.

**Christopher John Dawson** 

Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator

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