

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)**

### **Sections 67, 71 and 72A**

## **BBL TEAM (SYDNEY THUNDER) 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, Colin John Blanch, Acting Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator, now give the following directions.

### **PREAMBLE**

1. These directions set out the requirements that apply to **Sydney Thunder relevant persons** in relation to their participation in the **BBL 2021 Perth Quarantine Hub** and are for the purpose of preventing the importation of COVID-19 into Western Australia and otherwise limiting the spread of COVID-19 in Western Australia.

### **CITATION**

2. These directions may be referred to as the **BBL Team (Sydney Thunder) Directions**.

### **COMMENCEMENT**

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

### **OPERATION**

4. Except where these directions provide otherwise, a Sydney Thunder relevant person must comply with:
  - (a) these directions; and

- (b) the Queensland Outbreak Recently Arrived Travellers Self-Quarantine and Presentation for Testing Directions as amended from time to time or any further directions that I give to replace those directions,
- provided that to the extent of any inconsistency between the directions listed at paragraph 4(a) and (b), these directions prevail.
- 5. A Sydney Thunder relevant person is not required to comply with any requirement to undertake period of self-quarantine imposed by the Queensland Outbreak Recently Arrived Travellers Self-Quarantine and Presentation for Testing Directions and must instead comply with the requirements set out in paragraphs 7 and 8 of these directions.
  - 6. For the avoidance of doubt, a Sydney Thunder relevant person must comply with paragraph 5A of the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.

## **DIRECTIONS**

### **Quarantine at approved quarantine venue**

- 7. A Sydney Thunder relevant person must remain inside the **approved quarantine venue** for a period ending fourteen (14) days after the day on which the Sydney Thunder relevant person entered Western Australia (**quarantine period**), unless:
  - (a) the Sydney Thunder relevant person is given another **direction** which they are required by law to obey; or
  - (b) the Sydney Thunder relevant person leaves the approved quarantine venue to **participate** in an **authorised training activity** at an **approved training venue** in accordance with paragraph 10; or
  - (c) the Sydney Thunder relevant person leaves the approved quarantine venue to participate in a **quarantine match** at a **match day venue** in accordance with paragraph 11; or
  - (d) the Sydney Thunder relevant person leaves the approved quarantine venue to leave Western Australia in accordance with paragraph 12.
- 8. During the quarantine period, the Sydney Thunder relevant person must:
  - (a) comply with the relevant provisions of each **approved plan**.

- (b) take all reasonable steps to keep at least 1.5 metres away from any other person except in circumstances where the Sydney Thunder relevant person is:
    - (i) participating in an authorised training activity or travelling between the approved quarantine venue and an approved training venue in accordance with paragraph 10; or
    - (ii) participating in a quarantine match or travelling between the approved quarantine venue and a match day venue in accordance with paragraph 11;
  - (c) not allow any person to access the Sydney Thunder relevant person's accommodation area within the approved quarantine venue unless the person falls within a category of person described in paragraph 7(a) of the BBL (Venues) Directions;
  - (d) wear a face mask, if practicable and available, when the Sydney Thunder relevant person is travelling or in an enclosed space outside of the approved quarantine venue;
  - (e) when coughing or sneezing, do so into their elbow or a tissue; and
  - (f) wash their hands often with soap and water or using alcohol hand rub, particularly before and after attending a bathroom.
9. A Sydney Thunder relevant person must call 13 COVID (13 268 43) immediately if the Sydney Thunder relevant person develops or has recently experienced **symptoms**.

#### **Authorised training activity**

10. Unless otherwise directed, a Sydney Thunder relevant person may leave the approved quarantine venue between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm on each day to participate in an authorised training activity at the approved training venue provided that:
- (a) the Sydney Thunder relevant person is not displaying symptoms; and
  - (b) the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels in a **charter vehicle** from the approved quarantine venue to an approved training venue by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel; and



- (c) whilst at the approved training venue the Sydney Thunder relevant person complies with:
  - (i) any approved plan for the authorised training venue; and
  - (ii) section 8 of the **BBL Perth Plan**; and
- (d) at the end of the authorised training activity, the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels in a charter vehicle from the approved training venue to the approved quarantine venue by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel.

#### **Quarantine match**

- 11. A Sydney Thunder relevant person may leave the approved quarantine venue for the purpose of participating in a quarantine match at a match day venue provided that:
  - (a) the Sydney Thunder relevant person is not displaying symptoms;
  - (b) the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels in a charter vehicle from the approved quarantine venue to the match day venue by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel; and
  - (c) the Sydney Thunder relevant person complies with:
    - (i) any approved plan for the match day venue or the conduct of the quarantine match; and
    - (ii) section 9 of the BBL Perth Plan; and
  - (d) as soon as possible after the end of the quarantine match, the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels in a charter vehicle from the match day venue to the approved quarantine venue by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel.

#### **Leaving Western Australia**

- 12. A Sydney Thunder relevant person may leave the approved quarantine venue for the purpose of leaving Western Australia provided that:
  - (a) when the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels to the departure terminal to embark on a departing flight, the Sydney Thunder relevant person travels in a

charter vehicle from the approved quarantine venue to the departure terminal by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel; and

- (b) as soon as the Sydney Thunder relevant person arrives at the departure terminal, the Sydney Thunder relevant person remains at the departure terminal until they leave on the departing flight; and
- (c) the Sydney Thunder relevant person boards the departing flight when it is possible to do so and remains on the departing flight until it takes off; and
- (d) if the Sydney Thunder relevant person is unable to leave Western Australia on the departing flight for any reason, they must contact an **authorised officer** as soon as possible and ask for a direction and comply with any direction given.

#### **Remaining in Western Australia**

13. If a Sydney Thunder relevant person wishes to remain in Western Australia following the conclusion of the quarantine matches, they must contact an authorised officer as soon as possible and ask for a direction and comply with any direction given, provided that:

- (a) an authorised officer is under no obligation to give a direction allowing the Sydney Thunder relevant person to remain in Western Australia; and
- (b) if an authorised officer does not give a direction allowing the Sydney Thunder relevant person to remain in Western Australia, they must leave Western Australia pursuant to paragraph 12.

#### **Immediate threat to safety**

14. Notwithstanding paragraph 7, a Sydney Thunder relevant person may leave the approved quarantine venue, an approved training venue or a match day venue (the **relevant place**) to escape an immediate threat to their safety provided that the Sydney Thunder relevant person:

- (a) goes no further from the relevant place than is necessary to escape that threat; and
- (b) returns to the relevant place as soon as it is safe to do so; and

- (c) if unable to return to the relevant place within an hour of leaving, telephones the police on 131 444 and informs them that the Sydney Thunder relevant person is subject to a quarantine direction and had to leave the relevant place.

#### **Urgent medical treatment**

15. Notwithstanding paragraph 7, a Sydney Thunder relevant person may leave the approved quarantine venue, an approved training venue or a match day venue (the *relevant place*) to seek urgent medical treatment at a **hospital** or other treatment facility with one other Sydney Thunder relevant person who is also a **support officer** provided that:

- (a) it is necessary to leave the relevant place in order for that treatment to be provided; and
- (b) prior to leaving the relevant place (if it is practicable to do so), the Sydney Thunder relevant person or the support officer telephones the ambulance service or the hospital or other treatment facility at which the urgent medical treatment will be sought and informs them that the Sydney Thunder relevant person and the support officer are each subject to a quarantine direction and need to attend the hospital or other treatment facility for urgent medical treatment; and
- (c) the Sydney Thunder relevant person and the support officer go to the hospital or other treatment facility by ambulance or by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel; and
- (d) the Sydney Thunder relevant person and the support officer comply with any direction or **instruction** given by an **emergency officer** or a **responsible officer**; and
- (e) unless otherwise directed or instructed by an emergency officer or a responsible officer, the Sydney Thunder relevant person and the support officer return to the approved accommodation venue as soon as possible after the urgent medical treatment has been provided by the most direct and practicable route available and without stopping except as required by law or necessary for fuel.



## AUTHORISATION

16. For the purposes of paragraphs 19(b), 34(b) and 39(d), I authorise any **police officer** acting at or above the rank of Inspector to give the approval referred to in those paragraphs.

## DEFINITIONS

17. **Approved plan** has the same meaning that it has in the BBL (Venues) Directions.
18. **Approved quarantine venue** means that part of Crowne Plaza, Perth located at 54 Terrace Road, East Perth as indicated in the approved plan for the venue.
19. **Approved training venue** means:
- (a) that part of Optus Stadium and grounds located at 333 Victoria Park Drive, Burswood that comprises the area indicated by red shading as quarantine in the approved plan for the operation of that venue as an approved training venue; or
  - (b) any other venue approved in writing by me or a person authorised by me for that purpose.
20. **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.*
21. **Authorised training activity** has the same meaning that it has in the BBL (Venues) Directions.
22. **BBL** means the Big Bash League.
23. **BBL 2021 Perth Quarantine Hub** means the arrangement for the playing of a number of matches of cricket in BBL 10 in Perth while relevant persons are in quarantine.
24. **BBL Perth Plan** has the same meaning that it has in the BBL (Venues) Directions.
25. **Charter vehicle** means a vehicle that has been hired for the exclusive use of Sydney Thunder relevant persons.
26. **Direction** includes any direction under the Act or the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA), whether the direction is given orally or in writing, and **directed** includes directed by way of a direction under the Act or the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA), whether the direction is given orally or in writing.

27. **Emergency officer** has the same meaning that it has in the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA).
28. **Enter** has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
29. **Hospital** has the same meaning that it has in the *Health Services Act 2016* (WA).
30. **Instruction** means an instruction given for the purposes of this approval which is not a direction, whether the instruction is given orally or in writing, and **instructed** means instructed by way of an instruction, whether the instruction is given orally or in writing.
31. **Match day venue** has the same meaning that it has in the BBL (Venues) Directions.
32. **Participate** means to:
  - (a) undertake or engage in; or
  - (b) organise.
33. **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.
34. **Quarantine match** means:
  - (a) the games of BBL cricket played by the Sydney Thunder and scheduled to occur at any time between 3 January 2021 and 12 January 2021; or
  - (b) any other game of BBL cricket involving the Sydney Thunder relevant persons and played in the quarantine period that is approved in writing by me or a person authorised by me for that purpose.
35. **Quarantine period** has the meaning given by paragraph 7.
36. **Relevant officer** has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
37. **Responsible officer** has the same meaning that it has in the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions.
38. **Support officer** means a person who is appropriately trained and qualified to provide support to a Sydney Thunder relevant person described in paragraph 39(a) or (b) and includes, for the avoidance of doubt, medical personnel engaged for the Sydney Thunder
39. **Sydney Thunder relevant person** means:



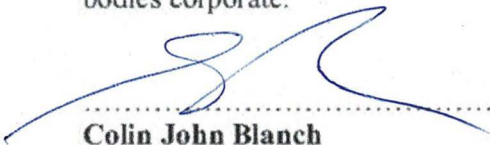
- (a) a person who is contracted to play **BBL** cricket for the team known as the Sydney Thunder in BBL 10 and who entered Western Australia on 5 January 2021 for the purpose of playing BBL cricket in BBL 10; or
- (b) a person who coaches or trains a relevant person in paragraph (a); or
- (c) a support officer; or
- (d) any other person approved as a Sydney Thunder relevant person in writing by me or a person authorised by me for that purpose.

40. **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.

#### **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.



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**Colin John Blanch**

Acting Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator

8 January 2021 2015 hours