EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)
EXEMPT TRAVELLER (INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC FLIGHT CREW)
APPROVAL AND CONDITIONS (NO 2)


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). The state of emergency applies to the State of Western Australia.

On 5 April 2020, the State Emergency Coordinator made the Quarantine (Closing the Border) Directions with effect from 11.59pm on 5 April 2020.

Paragraph 27(r) of the Quarantine (Closing the Border) Directions provides for the giving of an approval by the State Emergency Coordinator or a person authorised by the State Emergency Coordinator for the purpose, of any person or category of person as an exempt traveller for the purposes of those directions who complies with any terms or conditions to which that approval is subject (which may include a quarantine direction), whether on any other compassionate grounds or on any other ground whatsoever.

I, Paul Steel, Assistant Commissioner, being a person authorised by the State Emergency Coordinator for the purpose, now give the following approval and impose the following terms and conditions:

PREAMBLE

1. This approval and these terms and conditions are for the purposes of limiting the spread of COVID-19.

CITATION

2. This document may be referred to as the Exempt Traveller (International and Domestic Flight Crew) Approval and Conditions (No 2).

COMMENCEMENT

3. This exemption comes into effect at the time of signing.

REVOCATION

4. The Exempt Traveller (International and Domestic Flight Crew) Approval and Conditions made on 5 April 2020 are revoked.
TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

5. Despite paragraph 4, if a person was subject to any obligations under the Exempt Traveller (International and Domestic Flight Crew) Approval and Conditions immediately before this approval came into effect, the person must continue to comply with those obligations to the same extent that the person would have to comply with them if the Exempt Traveller (International and Domestic Flight Crew) Approval and Conditions had not been revoked.

APPROVAL

6. For the purposes of paragraph 27(r) of the Quarantine (Closing the Border) Directions, and subject to paragraphs 7 to 11 below, each of the following is approved as an exempt traveller:

(a) an international flight crew member; and

(b) a domestic flight crew member.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Social distancing and personal hygiene

7. If a person is an international flight crew member or a domestic flight crew member, while the person is in Western Australia the person must:

(a) take all reasonable steps to maintain a distance of at least 1.5 metres from any other person;

(b) practice good hygiene, including but not limited to washing their hands often with soap and water or using alcohol hand rub, particularly before and after eating and after attending the bathroom, and covering their cough or sneeze; and

(c) take all reasonable steps to limit interactions with other crew members, members of hotel staff and any other person.

8. A person who is an international flight crew member must, in addition to complying with paragraph 7, wear a surgical mask, if available and practicable, when transiting through a terminal or any other crowded place.
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9. Upon exiting the terminal, an international flight crew member who is not ordinarily resident in Western Australia or a domestic flight crew member who is not ordinarily resident in Western Australia must:
   (a) travel directly to the crew hotel, in a vehicle provided by their employer;
   (b) remain at the crew hotel for the duration of their layover; and
   (c) not leave the crew hotel other than to return to the terminal for their outward-bound flight, or as otherwise provided in paragraph 11.

10. Upon exiting the terminal, an international flight crew member who is ordinarily resident in Western Australia must:
   (a) travel directly to premises that are suitable for the member to comply with paragraph 10(b) (suitable premises);
   (b) remain in those premises for a period ending fourteen (14) days after the day on which they arrived in Western Australia or for the duration of their layover, whichever is the shorter time period; and
   (c) not leave the suitable premises other than to return to the terminal for their outward-bound flight, or as otherwise provided in paragraph 11.

Note: for the avoidance of doubt, a person who is a domestic flight crew member and is ordinarily resident in Western Australia is not required to comply with the conditions in this paragraph and, in particular, does not need to go to a crew hotel or suitable premises.

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11. A person who is required to comply with either paragraph 9 or 10 must:
   (a) remain inside the crew hotel or suitable premises unless:
       (i) the person is otherwise directed by an authorised officer; or
       (ii) the person must leave to receive urgent medical treatment at a hospital; or
       (iii) the person must leave to escape an imminent threat to their safety; and
   (b) if the person leaves the crew hotel or suitable premises to escape an imminent threat to their safety:
(i) go no further from the crew hotel or suitable premises than the person has to in order to escape that threat; and

(ii) telephone the police on 000 to inform them of the threat, and that the person was required to remain in the crew hotel or suitable premises under this approval; and

(c) if the person develops symptoms, as soon as possible after developing symptoms:

(i) inform an authorised officer, an emergency officer or a responsible officer; or

(ii) telephone 1300 660 321 and inform the person who answers that call (or a subsequent person during the call if it is not possible to inform the person who answers the call) that the person has developed symptoms,

and comply with any direction or instruction given to the person by the authorised officer, emergency officer, responsible officer or other person whom the person informs that they have developed symptoms.

Definitions

12. **Crew hotel** means the hotel which has been organised for an international flight crew member or domestic flight crew member by their employer or airline for the duration of that member’s layover.

13. **Direction** means any direction given under the Act or the *Public Health Act 2016* (WA).

14. **Domestic flight crew member** means a member of the crew of an airliner or a medevac or air ambulance crew, including an off-shift crew member who is travelling as a passenger on an aircraft to reposition at another location.

15. **International flight crew member** means a member of the crew of an airliner or a medevac or air ambulance crew, including an off-shift crew member who is travelling as a passenger on an aircraft to reposition at another location, where the airliner, medevac or air ambulance or other aircraft has originated in a country other than Australia.

16. **Layover** means the period of time that an international flight crew member or a domestic flight crew member needs to remain in Western Australia commencing from when that member disembarks the aircraft and leaves the terminal and ending when
member arrives back at the terminal from the crew hotel or suitable premises to board an aircraft and depart Western Australia.

17. **Terminal** means any terminal at the Perth Airport.

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