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

#### Sections 67, 70 and 72A

# TRANSITIONAL TRAVELLERS (CONTINUATION OF G2G ENTRY QR CODES) 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 am 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, Christopher John Dawson, 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**

The purpose of these directions is to provide for the continuation of certain G2G Pass
Entry QR Codes during the transition from the Controlled Border for Western
Australia to the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions (Transition
Directions).

#### **CITATION**

 These directions may be referred to as the Transitional Travellers (Continuation of G2G Entry QR Codes) Directions.

#### **COMMENCEMENT**

3. These directions come into effect at 12.01 am on 5 February 2022.

## **DIRECTIONS**

- 4. If a person:
  - (a) is a transition traveller; and
  - (b) complied with paragraph 5 of the Controlled Border for Western Australia Directions prior to the repeal of those directions; and
  - received an **Entry QR Code** after 6:00 pm on 31 January 2022 but prior to 12.01 am on 5 February 2022; and

(d) **enters** Western Australia after 12.01 on 5 February 2022 and before 12.01 am on 19 February 2022,

the person is taken to hold a current **G2G Pass Entry QR Code** for the purposes of the Transition Directions and is not required to complete a **G2G Pass Declaration** on the **G2G Pass Platform** in accordance with paragraph 5(a) of the Transition Directions, provided that:

- (e) in the event of a **change in circumstances**, the person must comply with paragraph 5(b) of the Transition Directions; and
- (f) the person must comply with all other requirements of the Transition Directions to the extent that they apply to the person.
- 5. If a person received an Entry QR Code after 6.00 pm on 31 January 2022 but has not entered Western Australia by 12.01 am on 19 February 2022, the person must:
  - (a) complete a new G2G Pass Declaration on the G2G Pass Platform in accordance with paragraph 5(a) of the Transition Directions; and
  - (b) comply with all other requirements of the Transition Directions.

Note: The effect of this direction is to allow a person to use the QR code that they received through their G2G Pass application made prior to the commencement of the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions during the transition period (which expires on 19 February 2022).

## **DEFINITIONS**

- 6. **Change in circumstances** has the same meaning that it has in the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions.
- 7. **Enters** has the same meaning that it has in the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions.
- 8. **Entry QR Code** means a QR code for the **relevant entry** transmitted to the person via the G2G Pass Platform or via the email address that the person provided through the G2G Pass Platform.
- 9. **G2G Pass Declaration** has the same meaning that it has in the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions.

- 10. **G2G Pass Entry QR Code** has the same meaning that it has in the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions.
- 11. **G2G Pass Platform** has the same meaning that it has in the COVID Transition (Border Requirements) Directions.
- 12. **Relevant entry** means the date and time the person enters Western Australia.
- 13. **Transition traveller** has the same meaning that it has in the Outbreak Outside of Western Australia Response Directions (No 21).

#### **PENALTIES**

It may be an offence to fail to comply with these directions, 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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