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COVID-19 Strata Community Update
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Yet again, it is necessary to inform you of changes to the COVID-19 rules, made on Sunday 8 August.

For the past week, changes have been made without the usual public announcement at the Premier's 11am broadcast. This makes it very difficult to become aware of such changes and to react to them in a timely manner.

FIRSTLY, the following has been added to the Service NSW website:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/authorised-workers/renovations-repairs-maintenance-and-cleaning>

*If you are doing prescribed work at a **unit within a residential apartment building**, you must ensure that*

- *no more than 2 people are working inside a unit at the same time*
- *a resident should stay in a separate indoor area to where the work is being carried out in their unit and*
- *no more than 5 people are working in an outdoor area at the same time.*

*Residents and workers in residential apartment buildings seeking to arrange access to perform prescribed work are strongly encouraged to contact their Owners Corporation or Strata Manager to check any **additional rules** which may apply to a particular residential apartment building for access.*

Workers should:

- *minimise time spent in any indoor common property areas, and*
- *wear a face mask at all times.*

Prescribed work is renovations, repairs, maintenance and cleaning.

What this means:

- all tradespeople and cleaners should check-in using a QR code and/or manual option (if you have one)
- deliveries of take-away food should be left at the front door of the building
- approved renovation work should be undertaken working to the restrictions of:
 - no more than 2 people at a time inside a unit
 - managing the movement of workers to minimise their time spent in the indoor common property areas
- people performing renovations, repairs, maintenance, or cleaning at a place of residence **MUST** wear a face mask at all times (as well as on common property as before)

SECONDLY, the work which can be carried out by *authorised workers* has been clarified:

If you live in one of the LGAs of concern, you can only leave the local government area you live in to go to work if:

- *the business is allowed to be open, and*

- *you are an authorised worker.*

There is a long list of activities performed by authorised workers by Industry Sector on the following website: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/authorised-workers>

Home removals are specifically excluded.

It follows that:

You should not accept on site the following workers from LGAs of concern:

- Removalists
- Workers making deliveries of large household items
- Tradespeople seeking to perform prescribed work in residents' units (same as now)