

Restaurants and cafés

Information for businesses and patrons

As part of the Tasmanian Government's staged approach to the easing of COVID-19 restrictions Stage 1, which commences on 18 May 2020 allows restaurants and cafes to re-open for 'dine in' customers with the following restrictions in place:



- Restaurants and cafés may reopen for table service, subject to the restrictions on a maximum of 10 diners in a restaurant or café (this number excludes restaurant employees)
- In any indoor or outdoor area, there must be enough space for four square metres per person.
- The restriction on the number of diners applies to the venue as a whole unless the venue has multiple separate dining rooms, in which case there are a number of principles which apply.

These can be found here - <https://coronavirus.tas.gov.au/business-and-employees/business-restrictions>

- Restaurants may continue to offer delivery and takeaway services
- Restaurants and cafés will be required to develop a COVID-19 Safety Work Plan to implement practical measures to manage the risks of transmission of COVID-19 at their venue.



As patrons, here are some things to be mindful of:

Whilst it is exciting to be able to eat in again at our favourite cafés, just ordering a coffee and staying for an extended period of time, makes it difficult for the business to remain viable with limited patrons.

Consider ordering a meal or a snack with your coffee or just continue to get a take-away coffee for now.

If you are dining in, try not to stay any longer than necessary, so that you can free up the space for the next customer

Be mindful of hygiene and social distancing rules which still apply. None of us want to make it difficult for the business to be able to comply with the restrictions that still exist and we all want our cafés and restaurants to survive these challenging times so let's all do everything we can to assist and support them!

There are a number of restrictions that business owners much comply with, so please be patient and assist in any way which enables them to continue to provide their service.... and their good coffee!!

