



COVID-19 fact sheet: Density

As of 29 June 2021

The Government has made some changes in the past week which will have an impact upon how our congregations have been conducting services.

The following provides guidance on maintaining occupant density and physical distancing at a restricted business. Under the [Restrictions on Businesses, Activities and Undertakings Direction](#), restricted businesses must operate in accordance with the [Checklist for Restricted Businesses](#).

The changes with respect to density means the following.

- Density restrictions remain at 1 person to 2 square metres in local government areas outside South East Queensland. Congregations in the restricted government areas need to apply a density restriction of 1 person to 4 square metres. This requires a fundamental change in our thinking around building capacities. It will mean:
 - Focusing on just the 50% capacity of your building in non-restricted government areas.
 - Applying a 25% capacity in restricted government areas for buildings over 200m² or 50% capacity up to a maximum of 50 people in buildings under 200m².
 - Not necessary to allow for physical distancing.
 - Actively encouraging people to physically distance but not enforce.
 - 100% ticketed allocated seating is still available.
- Funerals and weddings can only operate under one of the below capacities.
 - In restricted government areas up to 100 people at 1 person per 4 square metres
 - In non-restricted areas up to 1 person per 2 square metres or 100% in ticketed allocated seating.
- With respect to home groups, the number of people that can gather in a home is as follows:
 - In restricted government areas, a total of 30 people including residents, visitors and children.
 - In non-restricted government areas, a total of 100 people.
 - Check-in Qld App is not required for church gatherings/bible studies in homes.
 - The host is responsible for the safety of attendees in their home.
 - Contact tracing is advisable for gatherings in homes however it is not mandatory.

Additional information: [Guidelines: Occupant density and physical distancing](#)

For more information, contact the Synod COVID 19 team via [email](#).