

## COVID-19 VIRUS - MESSAGE TO ALL CLUBS AND STATES

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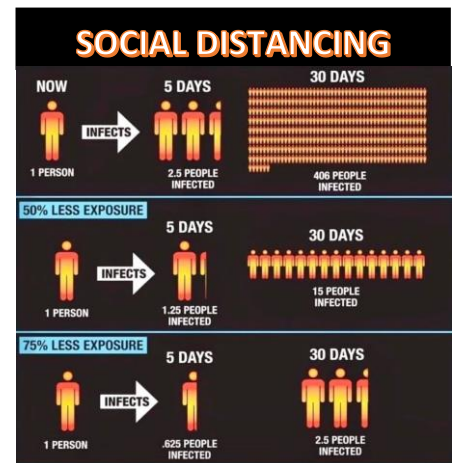
Good Afternoon Everyone,

As we move further into the Coronavirus pandemic there is now an almost complete shutdown of activities - including karting right across the country.

Some of the Directions or Orders made by the State Health Ministers/Officers have slight variations in them from one State to another but the overriding theme of all of them, led by the Federal Government is **STAY AT HOME** and **Do Not Travel** unless it is absolutely necessary.

The KEY HEALTH MESSAGES from all levels of Government remain the same:

1. If it's not essential – STAY AT HOME.
2. Reduce your contact with other people.
3. **SOCIAL DISTANCING MATTERS – IT IS ESSENTIAL!**  
Keep your distance from everyone else – observe the 1.5-2 metre Social Distancing Rules all the time.
4. Wash your hands – frequently and properly.
5. Do it for your community – it's not just about you.
6. If you have returned from overseas in the last 14 days, or if you have come into contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 – YOU MUST SELF ISOLATE.
7. If you feel unwell and exhibit the COVID-19 symptoms, self-isolate, monitor and report.



### TRAVEL REGISTER AND ISOLATION FORM – NO LONGER REQUIRED

As the Government travel and isolation restrictions now exceed Karting Australia's travel and isolation notification requirements, the Travel Register and Isolation Form **no longer needs to be completed** by persons intending to attend a Karting Australia licenced Circuit.

### GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS - JOBKEEPER

Depending upon the specific circumstances of each Member State Association or Club, your State Association or Club may be eligible for the JobKeeper payment from the Government.

Following are links to the relevant information from the Australian Treasury web site that will enable you to check the eligibility of either your State Association or Club to register for JobKeeper.

<https://treasury.gov.au/coronavirus/jobkeeper>

[https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-04/Fact\\_sheet\\_Info\\_for\\_Employers.pdf](https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-04/Fact_sheet_Info_for_Employers.pdf)

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### GOVERNMENT DIRECTIONS AND ORDERS – UP TO DATE INFORMATION FOR YOUR STATE

As more information has been published by the Federal Government and each State's Health Minister or Public Health Officer - including **Orders and Directions that must be followed in each State**, where that information is stored online may have been moved. Following is an up to date list of links for each State to the most important information:

#### Australia

<https://www.australia.gov.au/>

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert#current-status>

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/how-to-protect-yourself-and-others-from-coronavirus-covid-19/limits-on-public-gatherings-for-coronavirus-covid-19>

#### STAY INFORMED

Download the official government "Coronavirus Australia" app in the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#), or join the Federal Government's [WhatsApp channel](#) on [iOS](#) or [Android](#).

## New South Wales

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/covid-19-latest.aspx>

*Note: Scroll to the bottom of the page to find "PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS"*

## Northern Territory

<https://coronavirus.nt.gov.au/community-advice>

## Queensland

<https://www.health.qld.gov.au/system-governance/legislation/cho-public-health-directions-under-expanded-public-health-act-powers>

## South Australia

<http://emergencydepartments.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/public+content/sa+health+internet/health+topics/health+topics+a+-+z/covid+2019/covid-19+response/mass+gatherings+and+events+-+covid-19>

## Tasmania

<https://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au/business-and-employees/business-restrictions>

## Victoria

<https://www.vic.gov.au/coronavirusresponse>

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-stay-home-and-restricted-activities-directions-faq>

## Western Australia

<https://www.wa.gov.au/government/document-collections/covid-19-coronavirus-state-of-emergency-declarations>

[https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/A\\_E/Coronavirus](https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Coronavirus)

## GENERAL ADVICE

Now that the community has reached the stage of almost complete lockdown the urgency to make some decisions in relation to the pandemic is no longer what it has been over the past few weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to urge all Member States and Clubs, that if and when you are making any decision related to the COVID-19 Restrictions and the impact that these may have on your Club or State Association, to **please make your decisions on a properly informed basis**. Go to the source documents and do not rely on a news outlet's interpretation of what they think the PM or the State Premier or Health Minister has said.

Lee and I are available to provide you with guidance and assistance – we are dealing with this daily. If you have a query – **please contact us and ask for our assistance**.

Also **please do not make decisions that OVERREACH your authority** - if it's not your decision to make, then don't make it.

I would also ask our Member States, that if you have the need to put out a statement or advice to your members in that State, to be very clear that the advice is specifically as a result of local State Restrictions (which now vary quite considerably from State to State) and are not based on the national restrictions as was initially the case – National advice will continue to be provided by Karting Australia. What is said by one State Association may well not apply elsewhere and can easily be misinterpreted.

We will be continuing to monitor all National, State and Territory the Directions and Restrictions and will advise you of anything that may require further action.

## CURRENT KARTING INDUSTRY TRADING DAYS AND HOURS

### ALM Sales

Online sales at: [www.dk17.com.au](http://www.dk17.com.au)

### International Kart Distributors

Trading as usual.

Online sales at:

[www.internationalkarting.com.au/shop](http://www.internationalkarting.com.au/shop)

### Remo Racing

Warehouse is staffed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

[www.remoracing.com.au](http://www.remoracing.com.au)

### DPE Kart SuperStore

Retail Shopfront Closed.

Online sales at: [www.dpekartsuperstore.com](http://www.dpekartsuperstore.com)

All orders are shipped on Monday.

### Patrizicorse

Trading as usual.

Online sales at: [www.patrizicorse.com](http://www.patrizicorse.com)

### SP Tools & Torini Engines

Online sales at:

[www.sptools.com](http://www.sptools.com) and [www.torini.com.au](http://www.torini.com.au)

## St George Kart Centre

Trading as usual.

Online sales at: [www.sgkarts.com](http://www.sgkarts.com)

### OFFICIALS RECRUITMENT

There has been a solid response in our initial call for people to register in the **Karting Australia Officials Academy Powered By Roche Paper** so that they can proceed on the pathway to becoming Licenced Karting Australia Official.



While we have processed some through the Academy, there has been a problem with the new email being used for the responses. We only became aware of that today and it has now been rectified. Those people from across the country who have registered their interest will be enrolled in the Academy today and over the weekend and will be able to commence the core courses straight away.

We will be continuing to push the recruitment program through the website and social media and ask that whenever you see a **BECOME A KARTING OFFICIAL** post on your social media – **please share it on your Club Page**. Watch out for the **“Now Is Your Time To Step Up”** post tonight.

### KEY MESSAGES FOR OUR CLUBS AND STATE ASSOCIATIONS ISSUED ON 25 MARCH REMAIN IN PLACE

#### ACTIVITIES AT CLUBS THAT REQUIRE A KARTING AUSTRALIA ORGANISING PERMIT

Effective March 25, 2020:

**No Karting Australia Organising Permits can be issued for any event scheduled to be conducted prior to 1 May 2020.**

For the sake of clarity, an Organising Permit is defined in the Rules as:

*“A document issued by KA or the SKA authorising the organisation of a Competition under these Rules.”*

**States Associations are instructed to withdraw any Organising Permit that may have already been issued for an event that is intended to be conducted in the period commencing from today’s date until 1 May 2020.**

#### ACTIVITIES AT CLUBS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A KARTING AUSTRALIA ORGANISING PERMIT

The situation related to the use of your Club’s facilities for activities that do not require an Organising Permit must be decided by each Club. Normal arrangements for these activities including hire to third parties, open practice and organised practice activities vary from Club to Club and State to State.

**You must follow the Government’s restrictions.**

### OUR CONTINUING OBJECTIVES

Our objectives continue to be:

1. **Keep everyone in the Karting Australia Family properly and responsibly advised** with fact-based information – not news reports and social media spin. We are relying upon firsthand Government sources and advice from our Chief Medical Officer. If a National or State Chief Medical Officer or the government doesn’t say it, we won’t rely on it.
2. **Protect our Members and to play our part in protecting the Australian community** – particularly those who are most vulnerable.
3. **Keep the wheels spinning** at our Clubs when we are able to do so in accordance with Government restrictions to make sure that every Affiliated Club and State Association is prepared as best that they can be to hit the ground running with social and competition karting as soon as we are cleared to continue.
  - **Plan and Prepare** so the we are all ready to Proceed – particularly at Club level once we get the green light.

### CONTINUING THE UPDATES

We will continue to update everyone with the latest information as and when anything changes as inevitably it will.

**Best Regards**

Kelvin O’Reilly

**Chief Executive Officer**