

# Mandating Check in TAS



By 1 May 2021 many organisations will be required to use the free Check in TAS app to collect contact information about everyone who spends time at their premises or event.

These are:

1. Restaurants, cafes and other retail food businesses and outlets, where food is sold for consumption at those premises.
2. Premises where alcohol is sold for consumption at those premises, including pubs, registered and licensed clubs and hotels, other than such part of those premises lawfully operated to provide alcohol for consumption at a location other than the premises.
3. A gathering, if a direction made under section 16 of the Act requires an event COVID safety plan, in a form approved by the Director of Public Health, to be developed and implemented in respect of the gathering.
4. Places of worship, religious gatherings, religious premises, and other similar premises, including premises used to perform a wedding or a funeral.
5. Cinemas, entertainment venues, casinos, gaming or other gambling venues, dance venues, night clubs, strip clubs, brothels and other similar premises.
6. Galleries, museums, national institutions, historic sites and other similar premises.
7. Tourist premises, venues and sites, where consideration is paid to enter such a premises, venue and site.
8. Tourism activities, and services, that are provided for consideration.
9. Concert venues, theatres, arenas, auditoriums, stadiums and other similar premises.
10. Amusement parks, arcades, play centres and other similar premises, regardless of whether the premises are an indoor space or an outdoor space, other than skate parks and playgrounds.
11. Auction houses, real estate auctions and houses open for inspection, including display homes.
12. Hair dressing and hair salons.
13. Beauty treatment premises, including body modifications, tattoos, piercing, waxing and nail services.
14. Spas and massage parlours and other similar premises.
15. Swimming pools, gymnasiums, health clubs, fitness centres, wellness centres (including yoga and barre premises) and other similar premises or venues, whether indoors or outdoors.
16. Venues used for sport or fitness, saunas, bath houses and other similar premises or venues, whether indoors or outdoors.
17. Premises used for personal training and other pre-arranged sporting activities.
18. Zoos, wildlife centres, animal parks, petting zoos, aquariums, marine parks or similar premises.

More locations may be added over time.

If you run one of these premises or events, you can register for the Check in TAS app via [www.checkin.tas.gov.au](http://www.checkin.tas.gov.au).

By 1 May you must clearly display your Check in TAS QR code (which will be sent to you after you've registered) at all entrances and all patrons aged 16 years and older must be checked in by scanning this code if they spend 15 minutes or more at your premises.

If a person does not have a smartphone or is unable to use one, others attending the premises with that person can use their own phone to check that person in. Alternatively, an organisation can register a patron's details using that organisation's device. If there is no internet access or working device, the organisation can check them in manually on paper. This information must be retained by the organisation for 28 days or added into the app when access is restored.

Mandating Check in TAS will strengthen Tasmania's contact tracing capability for rapid response in the event of a COVID 19 case or outbreak. This will help to keep ourselves, our loved ones and our community safe and keep Tasmania open for business.

When contact tracing is underway, every minute counts. Public Health needs reliable information fast and in a consistent format that's easy to use so they can identify and communicate with contacts and contain an outbreak.

**For business premises, venues, community organisations and events**, registration for Check in TAS is a simple online process, with a free package of posters and QR codes mailed out to each applicant. Everyone who enters the premises will be required to scan the QR code on entry, which leaves business owners and staff free to provide their usual customer service. All the business needs to do is ask the question: 'Have you checked in?'

**For customers**, the free, easy to use Check in TAS app is ready for download from the Google Play or Apple App Store. Local residents and visitors will then only need one contact tracing app on their devices that they can use right around Tasmania.

**For contact tracers**, the information recorded through Check in TAS is automatically stored in the right format within the Department of Health for rapid response contact tracing, if required, and automatically deleted after 28 days.

The Tasmanian Government will continue to work closely with business premises, venues, community organisation and event organisers to support transition to prescribed use of Check in TAS.

Keep up to date by visiting [www.checkin.tas.gov.au](http://www.checkin.tas.gov.au) regularly.