

Restricted entry to the Courthouse to support public health
Orders under section 50 Court Procedures Act 2004

1. The following members of the public must not be admitted to any part of the premises occupied by the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory and/or the Magistrates Court of the Australian Capital Territory (the Courthouse):
 - a. a person who has been diagnosed with COVID 19 and who is considered to have an active case of COVID 19;
 - b. a person who is awaiting the result of a test for COVID 19;
 - c. a person who is required to quarantine or self-isolate by direction of the Chief Health Officer of the Australian Capital Territory;
2. A person who is in a public area of the Courthouse must wear a mask unless the person is:
 - a. expressly excused by a judicial officer, registrar or sheriff;
 - b. actively participating as a lawyer, party, witness or invited participant while a matter is being heard by a judicial officer, or registrar in a court or hearing room, unless the judicial officer or registrar directs that the person must wear a mask;
 - c. excused because of a certified health condition (see definition below).
3. A member of the public must leave the premises if directed to do so by a judicial officer, registrar, authorised person or sheriff because of an apparent failure to:
 - a. maintain a distance of 1.5 m from other persons;
 - b. wear a mask as required by paragraph 2;
 - c. produce evidence of a certified health condition, as and when requested, whilst in the Courthouse;

In these orders:

Authorised person means: a person authorised pursuant to section 154(2)(c) of the *Crimes Act 1900*

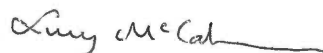
Certified health condition means a physical or mental health condition or a disability that precludes the wearing of a mask, provided that the person shows, on request, a medical certificate or letter signed by a registered health practitioner (such as a doctor) or registered NDIS provider that establishes the condition.

Registrar means:

- a. The Registrar or Senior Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory; or
- b. The Registrar of the Magistrates Court of the Australian Capital Territory and deputy registrars of that court appointed under rule 6251(6) of the *Court Procedures Rules 2006*.

Sheriff means: a person appointed pursuant to section 46(2) or (4) of the *Supreme Court Act 1933*.

Penalty for contravention: 50 penalty units and/or 6 months imprisonment



Chief Justice Lucy McCallum

24 May 2022



Chief Magistrate Lorraine Walker

24 May 2022