

## Special Events Applications

### Updates regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Following SLSQ communications last week regarding COVID-19, the Australian Government and health authorities advised that all non-essential public gatherings of more than 500 people be cancelled in the interests of safety. This recommendation has come into effect as of today.

SLSQ have a number of special events applications that have less than 500 attendees so the processing of those applications will remain the same however we recommend that clubs & branches take into consideration the rapid growth of COVID19 in the coming weeks.

If you still plan on proceeding with your event, please ensure the current regulations below from Queensland Health are followed:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or flexed elbow when coughing or sneezing.
- Clean hands with soap and water, or alcohol-based hand rubs.
- Avoid contact with anyone who has symptoms such as fever, a cough, sore throat, fatigue, and shortness of breath.
- Stay home if you are unwell.
- Try to stay at least 1.5 metres away from people coughing or sneezing
- No hand shaking with attendees.

This is an extremely complex situation, and we thank you all for understanding. SLSQ will continue to keep our members informed of the situation, and will provide further updates as required.

We encourage all members to exercise care and caution to protect themselves and minimise the risk of infection.

Key information about symptoms, travel warnings, and other preventative measures can be found at the following links:

- [Queensland Health](#)
- [Australian Government, Department of Health](#)
- [World Health Organisation](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Infection](#)

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Coronavirus Health Information Line – 1800 020 080

Non-urgent Medical Help – 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84)

Emergency – 000

Mental health access line - 1300 MH CALL (1300 642 255)

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