

The ACT Government have announced that masks must be worn in all indoor settings other than a place of residence, from 11.59pm tonight.

These include:

- Indoor retail settings
- Public transport
- Hospitality venues (except when seated, or eating or drinking)
- Indoor workplaces
- Visitors and staff in residential aged care facilities

It's important to note that this will include indoor workplaces and construction work being conducted indoors. The ACT Government have advised these rules will likely be in place over Christmas and into the new year, with a review of the rules planned for early January. We will update members if any further changes are made.

General guidance from the ACT Government says a person may remove their face mask in the following situations:

- when consuming food, drink or medicine
- when communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing and visibility of the mouth is essential for communication.
- if asked to remove a face mask to ascertain identity (eg if asked by a police officer).
- When the nature of a person's work means that wearing a face mask creates a risk to health and safety.

Further information will be available on the ACT Government COVID-19 page.

Master Builders ACT is here to support you. If you have questions about making your workplace COVIDSafe please contact us via canberra@mba.org.au.

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