



Rotary Club of Ballarat South Inc. A0014698X

The Ballarat Market Covid-19 Safety Information

For everyone's health

Everyone shall follow the current Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) restrictions and rules as per Public Health and Wellbeing Act (2008) Vic.
e.g. No mask No entry (unless holding a written exception or <12 years old).

The Ballarat Market encourages everyone to follow the health professionals' advice:

- If you feel unwell, stay at home and get tested;
- Practise good hand hygiene;
 - Utilise the anti-bacterial hand-wash stations; and
 - Wear face masks.
- Keep your 1.5m social distance;
- Don't handle goods unless you intend purchasing the items;
- Keep doorways clear;
- Avoid busy areas;
- Bring an umbrella if it's raining;
- Purchase with electronic means where possible; and
- Download the COVID Safe app and have it active while you are at the Market.

If you are concerned about your health or that of other Stallholders or shoppers please contact the Rotary volunteers at the front gate, your GP or the Government's 24-hour health direct advice line 1800 022 222.

Stallholders

In the interest of providing a healthy market site where shoppers shall feel comfortable to attend regularly the Ballarat Market Committee requests that you follow the following:

- Stallholders exhibiting symptoms prior any market days shall not attend the market. They should get a Covid19 test and stay away until result is known. Follow DHHS guidelines regarding isolation.
- Covid-19 symptoms include (but are not limited to) fever, cough, sore throat, fatigue and shortness of breath. Covid-19 most often begins with a temperature of 37.3 degrees centigrade (99 F) or more and is contagious from the first sign of illness.

- If you are concerned about your health or that of other stallholders or shoppers please contact the market manager, your GP or the Government's 24-hour *healthdirect* advice line 1800 022 222.
- Transmission via hands, air borne particles and human contact are the most common routes of infection, just as for colds and flu. Anti-bacterial handwash, and hand washing with soap (for 20 seconds or more) is effective and needs to be practised more regularly than usual, whether you are a stallholder or shopper. Wash hands before heading to the market, sanitize at stalls, and wash hands at home.
- Provide a hand sanitiser on your stall for you and your shoppers.
- Sanitise your tables before placing your produce out for the shoppers.
- Remind Shoppers to maintain the 1.5m social distancing between Shoppers and Stallholders.
- Tap and Go card readers for cashless purchasing is recommended for hygiene, and as over the past few Covid lockdown-months shoppers have increasingly sought to purchase from retailers with these facilities.
- If using cash transaction, Ballarat Market encourages you to refine your transactions so that customers deposit cash into a cash box with change offered by the Stallholder's designated 'cash manager' who only handles cash.
- All stallholders are requested to cease open food sampling.
- Shoppers should not be permitted to touch produce or self-select. Install signage to explain new shopping procedures. Pre-bagged produce is recommended, ideally in paper bags or cartons. This will help speed the customer shopping interval.
- Beverage vendors shall only provide disposable cups to mitigate hygiene risks. No washable 'market day mugs' permitted.
- Community use tables and chairs must comply with the density quotient as per the Workplace Directions issued under the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008.
- Centre and Cattle pavilions will have designated entrances and exits to assist in keeping within social distancing health guidelines.

Circumstances and public health guidance surrounding safe health practice in relation to Covid-19 are changing frequently. Ballarat Market is monitoring available public information and will post significant developments on the Ballarat Market website (www.ballaratmarket.com.au) in the first instance and then the Ballarat Market Facebook site. Please like and check posts regularly.

For any further enquiries please email (enquiries@ballaratmarket.com.au).

Ballarat Market Committee asks that all Stallholders and shoppers act responsibly to offer maximum common sense reduction of risk at this challenging time.