



MEDIA RELEASE

COVID-19 SELF-ISOLATION AND LOCKDOWN RULES UPDATE

EMNI is continuing to take all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of the Norfolk Island community and thanks to everyone who is doing the right thing and adapting to the lockdown and isolation requirements.

The lockdown is not a punitive measure – lockdown is solely for the purpose of minimising the health risk. Breaches of lockdown and self-isolation increase the health risk that the vast majority of the community are working so hard to minimise.

Since lockdown began on Friday night, there have been two breaches: one by a person visiting another person who is in 14-day self-isolation (due to recent travel, close contact with a traveller or medical symptoms); and the second breach by a person ignoring the lockdown rules.

Breaching the mandatory self-isolation and lockdown rules is an offence. The first breach may attract a \$1000 fine. A second breach may involve the offender being taken into custody.

SELF-ISOLATION

It is NOT permitted to:

- socialise with people who are in mandatory self-isolation. You should always quickly drop off food or other supplies while remaining at a safe distance. Then leave, or risk being placed into mandatory self-isolation yourself.
- break mandatory self-isolation before your 14-day period is complete and before you have been given both medical and police clearance to do so.

LOCKDOWN

For all the details on the lockdown rules, please see the EMNI media release from 3 April published on the EMNI Facebook page and on the Norfolk Island Regional Council's website, <http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/covid-19-what-you-need-know-about-norfolk-islands-response>, and the update issued today, also on Facebook and on Council's website.

REMINDER: One person doing the wrong thing could jeopardise the health and wellbeing of the whole community. Let's keep Norfolk Island safe!

Please call the Police on 22222 or email office.administrator@infrastructure.gov.au for further information.

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