

Reconsider all travel to New South Wales and other hot spots —Requirements for agribusiness workers entering Queensland

Only move your agribusiness workers across the border if it is absolutely essential.

Business/Worker type	Travelling to Queensland	Entry to Queensland pass portal	Evidence requirements and Important conditions
<p>Farmers and agribusinesses moving <u>only</u> between Queensland and the NSW Border Zone – ‘class exemption’ (to 30 November 2021, unless amended or revoked)</p> <p>Farming and agribusiness worker means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> farmers with contiguous farms dissected by the Queensland-New South Wales border farmers with one or more active farm production sites specialist farm machinery operators for time critical agricultural operations such as planting, fertilising, spraying and harvesting. specialist agronomists providing time critical crop production advice. specialist technicians, including maintenance and repair, for agriculture activities such as agricultural production storage. specialist veterinarians and critical support technicians that prevent significant adverse animal welfare outcomes only where an animal cannot practicably be transported for treatment. 	<p>Farmers and agribusiness workers that are listed need to cross the border use the class exemption and apply for a Queensland Entry Pass.</p> <p>Only for Queensland residents re-entering Queensland from the New South Wales border zone and New South Wales border zone residents entering Queensland.</p> <p>Allows multiple journeys across the border for low-risk workers.</p> <p><i>* Farmers or agribusiness workers who have travelled into New South Wales, outside of the Border Zone, are not eligible to use the class exemption.</i></p>	<p>Queensland Entry Pass—class exemption—Z pass</p> <p><i>When applying online, please note that that you are not an essential service as described under the border direction, as such you need to tick ‘No’ to the question ‘Are you either a New South Wales border zone resident entering Queensland for an essential purpose, or a Queensland resident re-entering after having travelled to the New South Wales border zone for a essential purpose and in the last 14 days have not been in a COVID-19 hotspot outside the border zone?’</i></p> <p>Select ‘None of the above’ for the question ‘Do any of the following accurately describe your situation?’</p> <p>Do not opt for an X pass</p>	<p>Apply online for a Queensland Entry Pass (allow 3 days)</p> <p>Upload evidence through the online ‘Queensland entry pass, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identity—confirming their place of residence, e.g. licence employment, contract, property ownership, lease or agistment arrangements a copy of the class exemption letter a negative COVID-19 test result received within 7 days prior to entering Queensland a Quarantine Management Plan must be in place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine. Get re-tested every 7 days. Wear a mask at all times if you have been in the border zone in the last 14 days. Follow stay-at-home requirements if you’re a NSW border zone resident staying overnight in Queensland. <p>Documentation to be held at all times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Queensland Entry Pass to be issued is a Z pass Copy of the class exemption A record of your COVID-19 vaccination. Identification, employment or service contract, test results <p>Record keeping:</p> <p>Farmers and agribusiness workers entering Queensland who have been in the border zone in the previous 14 days must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> collect and maintain written records of close contacts while in either Queensland or the border zone including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> date, time and location of where the close contact occurred; and if available, name and phone number or email of the close contact. provide the records to an emergency officer (public health), contact tracing officer or an officer of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries if requested. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay at home! When returning to your Queensland residence following work in the border zone, you must comply with requirement to stay at home in Queensland under Part 6A of the <i>Border Restrictions Direction (No. 36)</i> for 14 days. You can only leave the residence for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to perform essential farming or agribusiness work, and the work is of a nature that cannot reasonably be performed from the person’s place of residence, to obtain food or other goods or services for the personal needs of the household to obtain essential medical care or supplies or to fulfil carer’s responsibilities to exercise outdoors alone or with members of the household where the person is staying to obtain another COVID-19 vaccination in Queensland, provided that you have no symptoms consistent with COVID-19. The 14 days of home quarantine period re-starts following return from the most recent time of carrying out work in the border zone. Does not apply: if you have been to exposure sites or venues, been in contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case, have COVID-19 symptoms or travelled outside of the border zone in a COVID-19 hotspot unless 14 days have passed.

<p>Freight and logistics operators</p> <p>(including beehive transporters, grain and cotton harvesters, agricultural machinery and produce, heavy vehicle drivers and their essential logistics and support workers).</p> <p>A movement plan should be in place to show how the risk of COVID-19 transmission is minimised when travelling through affected local government areas. This plan should include light vehicle movement for parts, re-fuelling and capture supply and logistics workers that maintain the movement of freight and how they stay isolated while working.</p>	<p>A freight or logistics operator who has been in a declared COVID-19 hotspot or an affected area in the last 14 days.</p>	Freight and Logistics Pass—F pass	<p>Apply online for a Freight and Logistics—F pass</p> <p>Freight operators must adhere to the Queensland Freight Protocol.</p> <p>Provide evidence on request of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a negative COVID-19 test within 7 days prior to entering Queensland; and maintain a rolling 7-day testing cycle. <p>If you have exited your vehicle in an affected area, you must also have evidence of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a COVID-19 test taken in the 72 hours immediately prior to entering Queensland; and maintain a rolling 3-day routine testing cycle until they leave Queensland or 14 days have passed since you exited your vehicle in an affected area. <p>First vaccination not required at this point, but highly recommended.</p>
	<p>A freight or logistics operator who only travels within the border zone in the last 14 days.</p>	Border Zone Travel—X pass	<p>Apply online for a Border Zone Travel —X pass</p> <p>Conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evidence of at least one COVID-19 vaccination being administered to the worker The output will be a XQ pass or an XN pass COVID-19 surveillance testing not required <p>OR</p> <p>Comply with the Queensland Freight Protocol, apply online for an F-pass and complete the mandatory testing outlined above.</p>
<p>Other essential workers</p> <p>(Requires Queensland Government approval)</p>	<p>Inside the NSW border zone</p> <p>For critical agribusiness supply chain workers who need to cross the Queensland border into or from the border zone.</p>	<p>Border Zone Travel —X pass</p> <p>XQ – Queensland resident pass travelling to NSW and returning</p> <p>XN – NSW border zone resident pass travelling to Queensland and returning</p>	<p>Apply online for an exemption through the COVID-19 services portal to receive an endorsement as a specialist or essential worker. Allow at least 7 days for processing.</p> <p>Provide evidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a written explanation of the essential activity the specialist worker will be undertaking in Queensland. documentation that demonstrates why this service is critical to Queensland. documentation that shows why they can't employ someone from a non-hotspot area a quarantine management plan a health management plan from the Queensland business employing the specialist worker. at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccination being administered. <p>Wear a mask at all times if you have been in the border zone in the last 14 days.</p> <p>Follow stay-at-home requirements if you're a NSW border zone resident staying overnight in Queensland.</p> <p>The specialist or essential worker must carry with them the letter of endorsement and quarantine management plan while in Queensland.</p> <p><i>Does not apply if you have been to an interstate exposure site or you are a close contact of someone who has been to an interstate exposure site. If you are travelling from Greater Sydney local government areas, you will likely be required to undertake hotel quarantine for 14 days as part of any condition of approval.</i></p>
<p>Essential and specialist worker exemptions</p> <p>(Requires Queensland Government approval)</p>	<p>Outside the NSW border zone as well as any other hot spots</p> <p>For critical workers who need to cross the Queensland border from an agribusiness supply chain coming from hotspots in other states.</p>	Queensland Entry Pass— specialist or essential worker —S pass	

If you are entering New South Wales from Queensland, you will also need to complete a [travel declaration](#) within 24 hours immediately before you enter NSW, or on entry.