

# COVID-19 Management

**Barnabus** takes the health and safety of passengers and staff very seriously. We are committed and are continuing to keep up-to-date to the latest situation and advice from the State Government to ensure our minimise the risk of this disease being spread onboard our coaches.

COVID-19 has been a great challenge to the bus & coach industry, where efforts are continually being made to minimise the risk of contracting the disease on public transport. The requirement for social distancing is seen as the greatest challenge as this greatly influences the safe carrying capacity of each coach.

The latest update from the “QLD Tourism Industry Council” is that each tourist vehicle can now accommodate up to 50 passengers as of noon 3 July 2020, if the operator complies to a new checklist. The guidelines have now been implemented and are now in effect, but a large part of compliance falls back on the hirer and passengers. These responsibilities are listed on ‘page 2’ of this management plan.

## Barnabus Implementations:

### More Cleaning

Vehicles are sanitised daily, with alcohol-based cleaning solvents are used on common touch points such as:

- Hand rails
- Grab handles
- Seat belt buckles and tongues
- Seat backs

### Seat allocations

Where practical, we will block off seats to maintain social distancing.

Passengers from the same household may sit together.

The two seats immediately behind the driver are not to be used by passengers.

### Driver Responsibilities

Driver will promote social distancing where possible.

Driver will temporarily avoid manual handling of luggage / storage underneath.

## Safety begins with you:

Do not travel if you are sick / have symptoms

Do not travel if you are suppose to self-isolate

Do not travel if you have been to a declared hotspot in the last 14 days.

### Maintain your distance

Always leave a gap between you and other passengers while:

- Waiting for the bus
- Embarking / disembarking
- Loading luggage

### Adjust your travel

Where possible, travel outside of peak travel times

### Personal Hygiene

- If you are unwell, do not travel
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or a mask when coughing / sneezing
- Avoid touching your face

Follow the direction of our driver. Please remember we do not want this disease nor do we want anyone to have it.

# Notice to Charter Hirer: COVID-19

**Barnabus** supports COVID safe business practices including the implementation of physical distancing measures wherever possible, and requires the Hirer to take special measures to minimise the risk of exposure to COVID-19.

Please note that the **Hirer**:

- ✓ **Is responsible for the physical distancing of group members whilst on board.**
- ✓ **Should not permit any member of their group to board a vehicle being chartered if they are feeling sick, have flu like symptoms or are meant to be self-isolating.**
- ✓ **Should ensure that all members of the group follow good hygiene practices.**
- ✓ **Should ensure that all members have not been to any declared COVID-19 hotspots in the past 14 days.**

We also recommend that the **Hirer** of the vehicle takes the following precautions:

- ✓ **Keep a list of group members that can be provided to a government authority if requested (to help facilitate contact tracing).**
- ✓ **Advise group members NOT to travel if they feel sick, have flu like symptoms or are meant to be self-isolating.**
- ✓ **Advise group members to maintain physical distancing when including when dropping off or collecting luggage and when getting on or off the vehicle.**
- ✓ **Advise group members to cover their nose and mouth if they cough or sneeze.**
- ✓ **Advise group members to carry and use their own hand sanitiser or cleaning wipes.**
- ✓ **Advise group members to wash hands thoroughly or use hand sanitiser prior to re-boarding the bus after a meal stop and after visiting attractions/destinations.**
- ✓ **Consider advising group members to download the COVIDSafe App to help facilitate contact tracing.**
- ✓ **Consider issuing face masks to group members.**
- ✓ **Consider temperature testing for group members.**

**Barnabus** shall not be liable for any transmission of COVID-19 in relation to passengers travelling on its vehicles and/or participating in any other activities associated with a service.

Posters on coaches:

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Hazard	Severity	Risk Rating	Controls	Responsible	Revised Risk Rating
<i>Exposure or risk of being infected by COVID-19 during charter operations</i>	<i>Serious health implications or death</i>	4	<p><i>Regularly assess current situation and advice from State Government</i></p> <p><i>Hirer to be made aware of risks and current health advice</i></p> <p><i>Vehicle to be issued with hand sanitiser and staff PPE</i></p> <p><i>All surfaces to be clean after every charter</i></p> <p><i>Poster in place in coach on the door</i></p> <p><i>Exclusion zone / seats vacant behind driver</i></p> <p><i>Seat allocations</i></p> <p><i>Use 'fresh air' mode for air-conditioning</i></p> <p><i>Driver to remind group of good hygiene and to use hand sanitiser</i></p> <p><i>Notice provided to hirer of their responsibility for health and welfare of charter group, including:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• Advise group members to NOT travel if they feel sick, or have flu-like symptoms or should be self-isolating</i></li> <li><i>• Advise group members to keep their distance from driver and other passengers, including when boarding/disembarking from coach, loading luggage, waiting and queuing etc</i></li> <li><i>• Advise group members to always cover their nose and mouth if they sneeze</i></li> <li><i>• Advise group members to carry and use their own hand sanitiser or cleaning wipes</i></li> <li><i>• Consider advising group members to download the COVIDSafe App to help contact tracing</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>General Manager</i></p> <p><i>Booking Team</i></p> <p><i>Depot Manager</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Driver</i></p> <p><i>Booking Team</i></p>	2