Border Restriction (No.11) effective 0100 Sat 8 Aug New Requirements for Specialist Workers

Border Restrictions Direction (No.11) will come into effect from 0100hrs Saturday 8 August, Victoria, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory have now been declared COVID-19 hotspots. New requirements will apply for Specialist Workers.

Specialist Workers in the maritime industry (such as specialist technicians) who are not maritime crew may still enter Queensland if they have been in a COVID-19 hotspot in the last 14 days, if:

- The services provided by the person cannot be obtained in Queensland; and
- The service must be provided without delay; and
- The person must be physically present in Queensland to provide the service or perform the duty; and
- The person's status is approved as a specialist worker approved by the Chief Health Officer; and
- The person's employer has a plan to manage preventing the transmission of COVID-19 amongst its employees and the community, and the plan complies with the requirements specified by the Chief Health Officer; and
- The person provides evidence of the following information upon arrival in Queensland:
 - o Their status as an approved specialist worker; and
 - The name of their employer; and
 - That they are entering Queensland to go directly to work; and
 - The location of the worksite or work camp; and
 - The location of where they will be accommodated in Queensland while performing the essential activity; and
- The person complies with any conditions forming part of their approval as a specialist worker (for example, a person may be required to quarantine or remain isolated at their work site for 14 days as a condition of their approval as a specialist worker).

Specialist workers who meet the above requirements may apply to MSQ <u>here</u>. If you do not meet the above requirements your application will not be considered.

Responses to applications may take upwards of 48 hours.

Specialist Worker Application