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## Update from Tasmania regarding Covid-19 related suspension of operations

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Hi all,  
The following advice has been received from the Department of Premier and Cabinet in Tasmania:

*The following advice has been received from Sport and Recreation Division:*

*Given the information provided, hang-gliding as an activity/exercise is permissible provided the participant(s) abide by Tasmania's COVID-19 restrictions as outlined at [www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au)*

*Participants should restrict the activity to be in their local area and not to travel to other local government areas or locations.*

*If there is not a suitable local area in which to hang-glide, participants should refrain from the activity until the movement restrictions are eased for their own and wider community benefit.*

*The relevant information from the Gatherings FAQ on the Tasmanian coronavirus site is:*

*Exercise is encouraged as an important part of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Any exercise undertaken must comply with relevant directions made under the Emergency Management Act 2006 (Tas) and the Public Health Act 1997 (Tas). The two person rule applies outdoors, except where members of your household are exercising together, or members of parenting arrangements or guardianship arrangement are exercising together.*

*Use common sense whilst exercising outdoors. Keep at least 1.5 metres from others and make sensible choices about where you go. For example, if you intend to take a walk on your local beach or park but notice upon arrival that there are already a few other users there, come back at a later time or head to the other end of the beach to start your walk. Ensure you are well away from others and not creating a 'crowd' situation.*

*We encourage you to exercise in your local area (not requiring travel), and please ensure you are not entering a public or private area, venue facility or service that is currently closed.*

*We ask people to be considerate and sensible in their form of exercise during this pandemic, not only for your own personal benefit, but for the wider community.*

*Trust this helps respond to the enquiry.*

As a result of this the THPA have lifted the suspension of operations, subject to approval from site owners and members observing the travel and social distancing guidelines issued by the Tasmanian Government.

Regards,

Iain Clarke

President, THPA

