

COVID PLANS FOR AGRIBUSINESS

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries have provided the attached the two templates to assist the agriculture industry that employ workers during COVID-19 to meet public health directions issued by Qld's Chief Health Officer . There is the "health management plan (HMP) template A" which will need to be completed and submitted to Qld Health. ***This only needs to be completed if you have seasonal workers.*** The following is a definition of what a seasonal worker is

"these are people that travel from region to region for work, requiring them to stay in temporary accommodation (such as on-farm or in temporary accommodation in town). A seasonal or itinerant worker includes a person who comes from overseas, interstate or is a Queenslanders who does not return to their permanent residence after work each day"

So for example if you have a contractor from the tablelands who works on your farm once a year and stays in town or at on farm accommodation they are still considered "seasonal" and you will need to complete a HMP. If you employ a farm hand who returns home to Ayr then they are not considered seasonal and you only need the WHS plan for COVID-19.

The WHS plan for COVID-19 (template B) is required by any business whether you employ someone or not. This does not need to be submitted to QLD Health, just retained for your records. It's also important to note that if you fill out the Health Management Plan (template A) you do not need to fill out the WHS plan for COVID (template B) as it is covered.

Additional information can be sourced by [clicking here](#).

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