



PIPE BANDS AUSTRALIA

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CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

Pipe Bands Australia and its branches are constantly monitoring the evolving situation in relation to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

As an organisation, Pipe Bands Australia is drawing directly on current advice and information provided by Federal and State Government authorities including travel warnings and advisories issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and updates by the Australian Chief Medical Officer.

All attendees at contest and meetings, practices and other activities should observe the precautions recommended by the World Health Organisation, Federal and State Health authorities:

- Washing hands with alcohol-based hand wash or suitable soap hand sanitizer
- Using tissues when coughing or sneezing and disposal in a bin

In relation to the Australian Pipe Band Championships in Maryborough on 4 and 5 April and known countries of origin for officials, competitors and attendees, the current and unchanged DFAT rating for those countries is "[Exercise Normal Safety Precautions](#)".

All bands and members are requested to follow the advice of government health officials available from www.health.gov.au or your state or territory government health website.

Pipe Bands Australia will provide updates on events and activities as required.

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