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New entry requirements for the APY Lands

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Restricted entry to Aboriginal communities within the APY Lands under the Commonwealth *Biosecurity Act 2015* has been removed.

The Australian Government had previously restricted entry to protect people in remote areas from potential exposure to COVID-19.

However, despite the lifting of commonwealth travel restrictions, people will still need a permit to enter the APY Lands and to provide declarations regarding their health, travel history and contact with people who have travelled.

Entry applications to the APY Lands will be managed by the APY Permit Office, in accordance with the APY Land Rights Act. SA Police will no longer be involved in routine entry applications.

APY will require the following before considering the granting of entry permits:

- Employers or individuals must have an approved Risk Management Plan – to be emailed to APY Permits Officer.
- Applicants must provide a Health Status Declaration – to be emailed to APY Permits Officer.
- Anangu re-entering the Lands must complete a Health Status Declaration - to be emailed to APY Permits Officer.

If there is a COVID-19 outbreak and active cases of community transmission then APY will re-introduce a 14-day self-isolation period for people entering the Lands.

APY General Manager Richard King said the Administration and Executive Board would like to thank everyone for their support, patience and co-operation with the restrictions that have helped keep the APY Lands free of COVID-19.

Access the relevant entry application forms and health declarations [here](#)

Further information at: www.anangu.com.au

Completed forms should be sent to: permits@anangu.com.au