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Control of Weapons Act 1990

DECLARATION OF DESIGNATED AREA UNDER SECTION 10D(1)

Planned Operation in Melbourne Central and Surrounding Precinct Designated Area

The Assistant Commissioner, Transit and Public Safety Command, acting as a delegate of the Chief Commissioner of Police, under section 10D(1) of the **Control of Weapons Act 1990**, declares as a designated area at Melbourne Central and Surrounding Precinct Area – all public places within the area bounded by and within Melbourne Central, including any rail related areas, and attached shopping precincts (QV and Emporium). The designated area is bound by Elizabeth Street, Little Bourke Street, Russell Street, Victoria Street, Swanston Street and Franklin Street.



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This declaration will be in place on 9 July 2025 between the times of 1400 and 2300 hours.

Please be advised that, during the hours of operation, members of the police force are authorised to exercise the following powers:

- (a) in a public place in the designated area, without warrant, stop and search for weapons:
 - (i) any person;
 - (ii) anything in the possession or control of the person;
 - (iii) any vehicle with a person in or on the vehicle; and
 - (iv) anything in or on such vehicle;
 - (b) detain a person or vehicle for so long as is reasonably necessary to conduct a search;
 - (c) seize and detain any item the member reasonably suspects is a weapon;
 - (d) request a person who is the subject of a full search to disclose his or her identity;
 - (e) direct a person to leave the designated area if the police officer reasonably believes the person is wearing a face covering primarily to:
 - (i) conceal their identity; or
 - (ii) protect them from the effects of a crowd control substance;and the person refuses to remove the face covering when requested to do so; and
 - (f) direct the person to leave the designated area if the police officer reasonably believes the person intends to engage in conduct that would constitute an affray (section 195H **Crimes Act 1958**) or violent disorder (section 195I **Crimes Act 1958**).
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