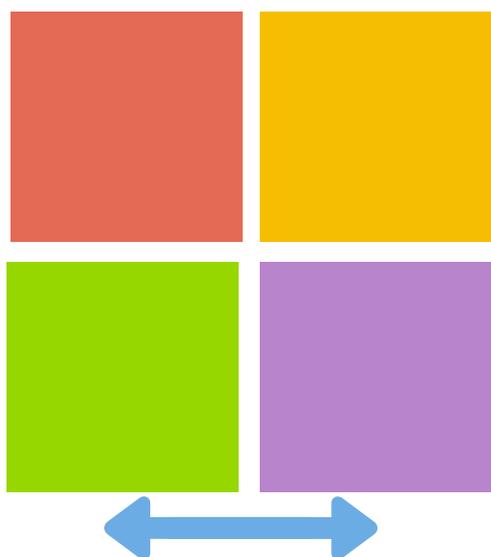




Staying Healthy and Safe at Playgroup

This fact sheet looks at how to safely organise your playgroup spaces

HOW MANY PEOPLE PER SQUARE METRE?



4 square metres per person

2m x 2m = 1 person

Measure the length and width of each room in metres.

Multiply these together ie.

Length x width = area of room.

Divide the area of the room by 4.

Example:

Length = 8.25 metres

Width = 10.6 metres

Square metres (area) : $8.25 \times 10.6 = 87.45$

Maximum number of people: $87.45 \div 4 = 21$

**Helping
you connect
the dots**

As Covid-19 restrictions begin to ease and we look towards returning to Playgroup, there are a few things you will need to consider to ensure you meet safe numbers at each session. This tip sheet is designed to take the guess work out so you can focus on learning together through play.



Supporting your Playgroup Community

What you can do

These guidelines are designed to help you organise your playgroup spaces (including play area, kitchens and bathrooms) and session activities.

If you have a small venue or limited access to the outdoors, you may need to limit/rotate the number of families/family members that attend each week, or consider offering extra sessions to reduce numbers. If weather is nice, encourage outdoor activities, or be ready to limit how many can attend on cold wet days. You may like to create an online event page to manage numbers.



Follow the rules

Learn the requirements within your state or territory, and monitor changes to these over time. Each jurisdiction has its own guidelines for the number of people able to come together, and requirements for physical space around each person.



Know your venue

Contact your venue to see how they are managing local restrictions. Are they open and providing access to groups? What do they require you to do? Have they imposed limits on how many people can be in each room, or will you be responsible?



Map all your spaces

You've mapped out your play spaces, now what? All communal spaces including kitchens and bathrooms will need to be mapped out to determine how many people can be in these spaces at a time.



Inform others

Use our handy sheets to display how many people are allowed in your venue and communal spaces at the same time. Just follow the steps to calculate allowance and mark the final number in the box provided. Now you're ready to play!

Still have questions?

Find other Healthy and Safe at Playgroup factsheets, posters and templates at www.playgroupaustralia.com.au/covid-19-community-playgroups. If you need help or further advice, contact your state or territory playgroup organisation, or refer to your local health department.