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Is your P&C Association under Fair Trading?

If your P&C Association is under a Fair Trading Constitution, there have been important changes to the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009* due to the COVID-19 pandemic which you can read about [here](#).

P&Cs on school grounds

New rules around the COVID-19 pandemic came into force on 15 May.

The full Public Health Order outlining the new rules can be accessed [here](#). We encourage everyone to read the full Public Health Order.

Given the restrictions on parents entering school grounds, we suggest P&C Associations find venues outside the school to hold meetings.

Click [here](#) for more information on managing P&C Association meetings in ways consistent with the Public Health Order.

Need access to the P&C Member's Portal?

Contact:

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Virtual Meetings Update

P&C Federation has been working closely with the P&C Federation's constitutional lawyer and the Minister's office since March to progress the amendment to the Prescribed Constitution regarding meetings.

The matter is currently with the Department of Education's legal services, and we are awaiting an update. We will communicate this with members as soon as a decision is announced.

In the meantime, the P&C Federation team has been working behind the scenes to ensure that our P&C Associations have supporting materials they may require once the Minister's decision is made.

Return to face-to-face learning

Schools will return to fulltime face-to-face learning from Monday 25 May. To prepare for this, we encourage all families to read the [NSW Department of Education factsheet](#). It covers information including health and safety, attendance, reporting and assessment.

For P&C Associations, the guidelines state that "*Wherever possible, P&C and parent/carer/teacher meetings should be conducted virtually*". For the vast majority of P&C Associations operating under the Prescribed or Standard Constitutions, virtual meetings are not currently possible, as there is no enabler in those constitutions for virtual meetings. This means that the only constitutionally recognised P&C meetings are face-to-face meetings. Read more information [here](#).

P&C Federation Annual General Meeting

P&C Federation is holding its 2020 AGM in August. Does your P&C Association have a motion they'd like to submit? Click [here](#) for more information.

Submissions close **5PM, Friday 12 June**.

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