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### Control of Weapons Act 1990

### DECLARATION OF DESIGNATED AREA UNDER SECTION 10D(1)

The Assistant Commissioner, North West Metro, 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: All public places within the area bound by and including the intersection of Peel Street and Victoria Street, to the intersection of Victoria Street and Rathdowne Street, to the intersection of Rathdowne Street and Carlton Street, to the intersection of Carlton Street and Nicholson Street, to the intersection of Nicholson Street and Victoria Parade, to the intersection of Victoria Parade and Hoddle Street, to the intersection of Hoddle Street and Punt Road, to the intersection of Punt Road and Alexandra Avenue, to the intersection of Alexandra Avenue and Anderson Street, to the intersection of Anderson Street and Domain Road, to the intersection of Domain Road and St Kilda Road, to the intersection of St Kilda Road, and City Road, to the intersection of City Road and Power Street, to the intersection of Power Street and Whiteman Street, to the intersection of Whiteman Street and Normanby Road, to the intersection of Normanby Road and Montague Street, to the intersection of Montague Street and Charles Grimes Bridge Road, to the intersection of Charles Grimes Bridge Road and Navigation Drive, to the intersection of Navigation Drive and Harbour Esplanade, to the intersection of Harbour Esplanade and Dudley Street, to the intersection of Dudley Street and Peel Street, to the intersection of Peel Street and Victoria Street.

This declaration will be in place for the Freedom Rally from:

- Saturday 18 September 2021 from 7.00 am to Saturday 18 September 2021 at 7.00 pm. Please be advised that:
- a declaration is in force pursuant to section 10D of the Control of Weapons Act 1990;
- you and/or your vehicle is in a public place that is within a designated area;
- police officers and protective services officers on duty at a designated place (as per the Victoria Police Act 2013) are empowered to search you and anything in your possession or control, or your vehicle for weapons;
- it is an offence to obstruct or hinder a police officer or a protective services officer on duty at a designated place in the exercise of a power to stop and search a person or a vehicle.

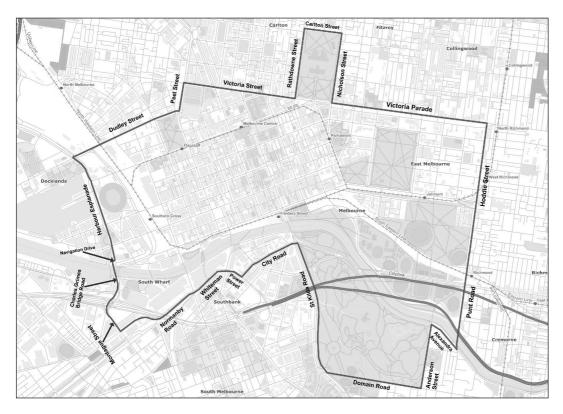
A police officer or protective services officer on duty within a designated place intends to conduct a limited search of you or your vehicle/things for weapons.

- a. You are requested to co-operate with that search;
- b. You may be requested to remove items of outer clothing such as headwear, scarves, jackets, etc;
- c. You may be searched using an electronic wand;
- d. You may be requested to remove items from any bags or pockets;
- e. You may be given a 'pat down' search.

Whilst within the designated area, a police officer may request that you remove any face covering if the police officer reasonably believes the face covering is being worn primarily to conceal your identity, or to protect from the effects of crowd-controlling substances. If you refuse to remove the face covering, the police officer may direct you to leave the designated area.

A police officer may also direct a person to leave a designated area if the police officer reasonably believes the person intends to engage in conduct that would constitute an offence under section 195H (affray) or 195I (violent disorder) of the **Crimes Act 1958**.

It is an offence to fail to comply with any direction to leave a designated area without reasonable excuse.



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