

## Dairy food safety & the Covid-19 Incident

DAIRYSAFE has an obligation to actively promote food safety learnings that are important to your business.

### Key points –

- The food safety regulatory framework continues to apply during the Covid-19 incident
- Dairy businesses will continue to manage their food safety programs and responsibilities
- Dairysafe will continue to verify standards are being maintained and manage any food safety incidents
- Employees must report any illness and take appropriate action

It's important to acknowledge current information from the [World Health Organisation](https://www.who.int/) that food is not known to be a mode of transmission for COVID-19.

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Everyone in the dairy supply chain must continue to practice good hygiene - one of the best ways to prevent infection spread includes regular and thorough hand washing.

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Dairysafe will continue to verify standards are being maintained throughout the dairy supply chain and manage any food safety incidents.

Further information regarding the risk associated with food can be accessed at <https://www.foodstandards.gov.au/consumer/safety/Pages/NOVEL-CORONAVIRUS-AND-FOOD-SAFETY.aspx>

As with any illnesses experienced by an employee in your business, the Food Standards Code (Standard 3.2.2) requirements apply:

- they must report the illness to the business,
- they must not engage in handling food where there is likelihood of food contamination due to the illness, and
- if continuing to engage in other work at the business, they must take all practicable measures to prevent food from being contaminated as a result of the illness.



For further resources and information regarding COVID-19 see - <https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/public+content/sa+health+internet/health+to+pics/health+topics+a+-+z/covid+2019/business+and+industry/information+for+business+and+industry+-+covid-19>



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