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Quarantine-free travel with Victoria is set to resume.

Quarantine-free travel with Australia's state of Victoria will resume from midnight Tuesday.

On Monday night, the Ministry of Health announced the pause was to be lifted after the public health risk was deemed to be low.

In a statement, the ministry said the pause would be lifted at 11.59pm on Tuesday, and travellers would no longer be required to have a pre-departure test.

New Zealand first paused the bubble in late May following an outbreak of Covid-19 in Melbourne. Last week, the Government indicated the bubble would be resumed due to the decreasing risk to public health in New Zealand.

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People are seen exercising in Melbourne, Australia amid lockdown restrictions.

In the statement on Monday, the ministry said all travellers were encouraged to continue monitoring for symptoms and checking the Victorian Health website for any updated locations of interest.

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"Those in New Zealand who have recently been in Victoria, New South Wales or Queensland are advised to get tested if they develop symptoms."

Anyone in New Zealand who has been at any of the current locations of interest or newly identified locations of interest in Victoria, New South Wales or Queensland in the last 14 days at the specified times should continue to self-isolate and contact Healthline for advice on testing, the ministry said.

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