



The Northbridge Curfew

The 'Northbridge curfew' is a state government strategy that restricts access to Northbridge for children and young people. It was first introduced in 2003. The reason for the introduction of the curfew is to protect young children who are out wandering after dark with no supervising adult.

Where Does The Curfew Apply?

The curfew applies to a specific geographic area defined as the Northbridge Precinct. The area defined as the Northbridge Precinct is the area bounded by Roe Street to the south, Beaufort Street to the east, Newcastle Street to the north, the Mitchell Freeway to the west, and including William Street up to Brisbane Street.

To Does The Curfew Apply To?

Children aged 12 years and under cannot be in the Northbridge Precinct without their parent or guardian after dark. Young people aged 13 to 15 years cannot be in the Northbridge Precinct without their parent or guardian after 10pm.

How Will Young People Be Removed?

Children and young people will either be directed to leave the Northbridge Precinct or, alternatively, the Police or Child Protection Officers may physically remove them and take them into care.

What Can I Do If I Think I Have Been Unfairly Treated?

If you feel that the Police or Child Protection Officers have treated you unfairly, you should seek legal advice.

More Information

See our fact sheet "[Police powers: Move children to a safe place](#)".

Please note: Laws are subject to change. Last updated July 2020.

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It should not be relied on as legal advice.

Please seek legal advice about your particular circumstances.