

# Media Release

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## SEALINK TIMETABLE CHANGES

Sealink advises that effective from Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April, ferry schedules to and from Kangaroo Island will be reduced. SeaLink's ferry and connecting coach services are deemed as essential services, moving freight, emergency services, residents, landowners, Australia Post mail and newspapers.

General Manager, SeaLink SA Mr Peter Abbott said, "This move has of course been brought about by the COVID-19 situation, the cancellation of hundreds and hundreds of bookings and the diminished number of forward travel bookings". At this stage we are just looking at the month of April.

"We will move to a one ferry operation from Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April, with the Spirit of Kangaroo Island ferry will be the sole vessel to operate for the month. The SeaLion 2000 will be brought back to service when there are specific freight needs for the Spirit of Kangaroo Island, which carries all dangerous goods such as fuel, is required. We are constantly reviewing the current situation and we may need to make further amendments to our services through the month.

We will be contacting all customers affected by any of these changes and rebook them if necessary.

We do stress that any travel should only be taken for essential travel purposes and whilst we strongly support the discouragement of non-essential travel, we do not have the power to control borders, and our staff are not in a position to police the travel of every person. We ask that people take heed of this advice and be very sensible about their travel intentions".

SeaLink's on-island shuttle which provides a public service each way between Kingscote, American River and Penneshaw will still depart twice daily, in the morning and the afternoon and the only change at this stage will be the afternoon service now departing Kingscote at 3.00 PM instead of the usual 5.30 PM.

Ferries are currently scheduled to depart Penneshaw at 7.30 AM, 10.30 AM, 1.30 PM and 4.30 PM and return from Cape Jervis at 9.00 AM, 12.00 PM, 3.00 PM and 6.00 PM. There may be less departures on the weekends depending on demand.

The SeaLink Connection coach which provides a public service each way between Adelaide and Cape Jervis and connects with morning and evening ferries, will still depart twice daily, in the morning and the afternoon with the only change at this stage being the afternoon service from Cape Jervis will now depart at 5.30 PM instead of 8.30 PM.

For anyone wishing to find out more about these changes please visit the [Timetable page](#) on the SeaLink website or call 13 13 01.

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