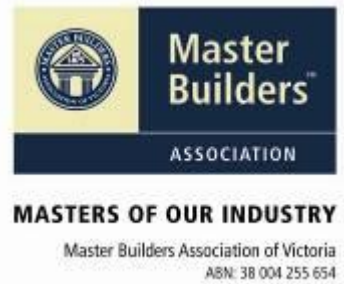


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Emporium blockade needs to end

Master Builders has called for common sense to prevail at the Emporium construction site in Melbourne's CBD.

"Since last week, the CFMEU's Emporium blockade has taken place in direct violation of the independent umpire's decision," said Deputy Executive Director, Radley de Silva.

"The Supreme Court's decision should be obeyed and our police force respected at all times.

"No-one is above the law and actions seeking to deliberately provoke police are completely unacceptable.

"It is time for the acts of thuggery to end and for common sense to prevail.

"Unacceptable bullying has taken place at this blockade, with fliers being handed out labelling some Grocon employees as 'scabs' and depicting a 'scab hunter' taking aim at them with a shotgun.

"The lines of decency have well and truly been crossed and this blockade is now defying our courts and defying our police. This should not be tolerated and we urge those at this blockade to let Grocon employees go about their work free of fear and disruption."

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