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NZRCA STATEMENT: COVID-19 (Update)

Following the government announcement on Sunday 23rd January regarding COVID-19 Traffic Light Red for the whole of NZ - specifically regarding gatherings and numbers allowed, we have sought official advice from Sport NZ and the Ministry of Health.

As of 24th January 2022, the official number of people at gatherings or events that use the "My Vaccine Pass" is limited to 100 people (in a defined space and there can be multiple defined spaces if required), or 25 for any club hosting any event not using the "My Vaccine Pass". If there is 1 member who attends who is not vaccinated, then the club must follow all rules that relate to not using the my vaccine pass.

- For all events, social distancing of 1-meter is required.
- It is highly recommended to wear face coverings for outdoor events, and it is mandatory for any indoor public venue.
- Children under the age of 12 years and 3 months do not need to provide a "My Vaccine Pass" to enter places with vaccination requirement

Ultimately this means that NZRCA clubs are still able to hold events (club meetings through to National events) provided they meet the other requirements of COVID-19 Traffic Light Red as found at the following:

<https://covid19.govt.nz/traffic-lights/life-at-red/sport-and-recreation-at-red/>

If your club is intending on running an event, please remember the following guidelines.

- For events using "My Vaccine Pass", the "My Vaccine Pass" is to be sighted (or QR Scanned if possible) by 1 designated person on arrival to site for all people attending event. This only needs to be witnessed once for multiple day events. If valid "My Vaccine Pass" can not be presented, person is to either leave site immediately.
- COVID-19 is still out there. Play it safe.
- If you're sick, stay home. Don't socialise.
- If you have symptoms of cold or flu, call your doctor or Healthline and get tested.
- Sneeze and cough into your elbow, regularly disinfect surfaces.
- If you have been told to self-isolate, you must do so immediately.
- Keep a track of where you've been and who you've seen.
- Keep groups of people 1 metre apart.
- Keep contact-tracing records of anyone who will have close interaction – this is mandatory for clubs to complete.
- Reduce the number of shared surfaces, and regularly disinfect them.
- Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands.

Any and all events are subject to your venue owner approving the venue use for your event (e.g. an indoor venue may have their own rules that override the NZRCA stance on this, and their rules must be adhered to first and foremost).

NOTE: It is a mandatory requirement for all NZRCA member clubs to endeavour to use the online registration to enable the NZRCA to provide contact-tracing records when and where required by the government. For public, pen and paper may be used but we ask that you then enter this information at a later date into a digital format and forward this to matthew@buildmaster.co.nz (NZRCA HSE Officer & President)

Failure to follow any government rules and mandates by any NZRCA Member (as defined under section 3 of the NZRCA Constitution) will result in NZRCA executive notifying authorities of any breaches and may result in disciplinary action.

Lastly, if you are unsure of anything, please visit [www. https://covid19.govt.nz/](https://covid19.govt.nz/) for full information.

If you have any issues with the above, please contact one of the following:

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Kind regards

2021/2022 NZRCA Executive

Stay Safe Everyone