Yachting New Zealand advice to clubs operating at RED setting in the COVID 19 protection framework

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Covid 19 Protection Framework RED	Red will be used if there's a need to protect both at-risk people and our health system from an unsustainable number of hospitalisations. Face coverings will be mandatory on flights, public transport, in taxis, retail, public facilities, and recommended whenever leaving the house. • Wear a face covering COVID-19 website face coverings • Keep track of where you have been COVID-19 website record keeping and contact tracing • Maintain good hygiene • If you are unwell (have cold/flu or COVID-19 symptoms) stay at home call health provider to be advised on next steps and if you should get a test • Stay 2-metres apart from others COVID-19 website Physical Distancing
Sport & Recreation Guidance	Sport and recreation organizations will need to determine if their activity fits into the **'gathering'** or the **'event'** category because different rules apply to activities within these two categories. For the majority of circumstances, it will be clear whether something is an event, or a gathering and you can follow the rules that apply. Sport NZ Guidance on events See Sport NZ FAQ page for current definitions **Most sport and recreation can however be played under Gathering restrictions**. The number that can meet at a Gathering depends on whether vaccine passes are required and checked or not. Multiple gatherings of sport and recreation can take place at the same location if the groups always remain separated by 2m. For example, there can be multiple games of touch rugby on a field if each of the gatherings remain separated within their owned defined spaces. - A defined space indoors is: a single space divided from other spaces by walls (temporary or permanent) that does not share direct airflow with another indoor space - A defined space outdoors is: a single space divided from other spaces by walls (temporary or permanent) OR a space where all people are separated by at least two metres from other people outside that space. This means that for outdoor locations and venues, it may be easy for spectators to be contained as a separate gathering away from players, coaches and participants.

	There are no requirements for physical distancing while playing, participating or spectating at any level of the Covid-19 Protection Framework – Green, Orange and Red. **Key principles of COVID-19 Vaccination Passes** • Organizations (clubs) can choose to legally require visitors or customers, participants and supporters to provide a My Vaccine Pass for verification. This will allow them to operate more freely. • A negative vaccine test is not a substitute for a My Vaccine Pass • Requiring vaccine passes does not remove the need for contact tracing. • If a club (business, event/gatherings or organisation) does not wish to check My Vaccine Pass, they will have to operate inside more strict limits on capacity and space requirements. • Groups of people that may contain vaccinated and unvaccinated people should be treated as if all participants were unvaccinated. Capacity limits include children under 12 years 3months and those who have a vaccination exemption showing on a My Vaccine Pass. • Children under 12 years old are treated as vaccinated. • As sailors turn 12 years old they have 3 months to get both vaccinations and get a My Vaccine Pass. • Where applicable, assuming vaccine passes are checked at a gathering, then: - organisers should seek confirmation from individual participants or team managers that they have a current pass wherever practicable. - spectators entering a space where vaccine passes are mandated should receive clear communication that vaccine passes are required, with checking taking place as best as is practical.
Yachting New Zealand measures undertaken	• The Yachting New Zealand office is open and will be operating using My Vaccine Pass. • All NZL Sailing Team, Aon Fast Track and Aon Youth Clinic training resumes using My Vaccine Pass and with appropriate measures of safety maintained. • Yachting New Zealand run regattas (Oceanbridge + Youth Champs) resumes using My Vaccine Pass and with appropriate measures of safety maintained. • Meetings, workshops, events, or external activities can resume face to face and will be using My Vaccine Pass. • No restrictions on travel for Yachting New Zealand staff or athletes but will be recorded.
Considerations for Club Committees	**Considerations for Club Committees when operating in the Covid Protection Framework or traffic light system** **COVID 19 Health & Safety Plan** The club is responsible for the management of risks, gatherings, communal points and in turn implementing the changes in the clubhouse, club facilities and informing members of changes and expected behaviours. This includes the **club's vaccination policy for staff and volunteer workers** and **how the venue, club days and regattas will be run** under the new Covid Protection Framework.

Links and resources to help clubs make these decisions and put policies in place can be found here:
Worksafe health & safety and Covid 19
Aktive Resource Hub
Or contact your Regional Development Manager

My Vaccine Pass (MVP)
My Vaccine Pass is an Official record of Covid – 19 vaccination status.
Clubs can use the Vaccine Verifier App to view My Vaccine Passes.
Clubs using MVP cannot save a copy of a members My Vaccine Pass, but they can record it has been sighted, verified and record the expiry date.

Your club may switch between operating under My Vaccine Pass is required/not required, as long as your premises are cleaned between groups. For example, a club can have a yoga group use part of the premise under the unvaccinated rules, clean, and they can then have another gathering for vaccinated. You must clearly communicate what settings you are operating under, and display any required signage.

Hospitality
Hospitality rules apply if any hospitality (food and beverage service) is offered by the club.
See Hospitality venue guidance on COVID-19 page
See Restaurant NZ guidance

Contact tracing Clubs have a legal obligation to must make sure they have safe and secure systems and processes in place so that everyone working or visiting your premises can scan in or provide their details in an electronic or paper-based manual process, no matter how long they are there for. This includes workers, contractors, volunteers, members or visitors.

- Yachting New Zealand recommend clubs use the COVID-19 QR Code
- COVID-19 record keeping and contact tracing

Maintain cleaning and hygiene standards
Continue to ensure an up-to-date cleaning schedule and adequate provisions to facilitate good hygiene practices - especially any changing rooms, bathrooms, storage areas, kitchen facilities and bar equipment. Consider management and cleaning of communal points and shared equipment.

Capacity limits are guided by the definition of a defined space
Capacity limits are based on allowing 1 m2 per person and a total number of people in a defined space. (I.e. If defined space in a club to be used is 50m2 you can only have 50 people).
A defined space means any single indoor space or outdoor space.

- **An indoor space** is a single space if there are walls (permanent or temporary) that substantially divide each space, and the space does not share direct airflow with another indoor space.

	- **An outdoor space** is a single space if there are walls (permanent or temporary) that substantially divide each space or all people in that space are separated by at least 2 metres from other people who are outside that space. **Signage** Covid 19 website has sign templates available to be used to help you communicate to your community if you are using My Vaccine Pass. COVID 19 Posters can be found here.

Club operation advice when operating in RED using My Vaccine Pass or not

	Using My Vaccine Pass	Not using My Vaccine Pass
Club rooms - Hospitality	Up to 100 people in club room based on allowing 1m2 of space per person, seated and separated. Refer to hospitality guidance found here: See Hospitality venue guidance on COVID-19 page See Restaurant NZ guidance To determine if more than one room in a club building can be used, please see the definition of defined space above.	Contactless only
Club rooms - No hospitality	Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged To determine if more than one room in a club building can be used, please see the definition of defined space above.	Up to 25 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged To determine if more than one room in a club building can be used, please see the definition of defined space above.
Club racing	Organised community sport is defined as a Gathering Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not sailing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to be kept separate and remain 2m apart. Fencing isn't required, cones or other means will suffice. Signage	Organised community sport is defined as a Gathering Up to 25 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not playing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to be kept separate and remain 2m apart. Fencing isn't required, cones or other means will suffice. Signage

Coaching	**Coaching is defined as a Gathering** Up to 100 people per gathering (based on allowing 1m2 of space per person) Facemasks encouraged when not sailing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart	**Coaching is defined as a Gathering** Up to 25 people per gathering (based on allowing 1m2 of space per person) Facemasks encouraged when not playing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart
Regattas Notification of what status the regatta will be run under should be in the Notice of Race and in all regatta communications leading to the event.	***Guidance has been released by Sport NZ to help organising authorities decide if their regatta can be run as a "Gathering" or an "Event". This can be found here.*** **Gathering:** Up to 100 people per gathering (based on defined space) Facemasks encouraged when not sailing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart **Event:** Up to 100 people, based on allowing 1m2 of space per person, seated and separated Facemasks encouraged	***Guidance has been released by Sport NZ to help organising authorities decide if their regatta can be run as a "Gathering" or an "Event". This can be found here.*** **Gathering:** Up to 25 people per gathering (based on defined space) Facemasks encouraged when not playing If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart **Event:** The event cannot go ahead
Crewed boats	**Each boat should follow the rules as if they are a Gatherings** Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not sailing	**Each boat should follow the rules as if they are a Gatherings** Up to 25 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not playing
Cruising	**Any organised club activities held on site or off site should follow the rules as if they are a Gathering.** Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not sailing You can overnight on your boat within your region.	**Any organised club activities held on site or off-site should follow the rules as if they are a Gathering.** Up to 25 people per gathering Facemasks encouraged when not sailing You can overnight on your boat within your region.

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Club storage area or compound	Up to 100 people per gathering Capacity maybe limited based on the defined space (see above) If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart Fencing isn't required, cones or other means will suffice. Use signage Facemasks encouraged	Up to 25 people per gathering Capacity maybe limited based on the defined space (see above) If there is more than one gathering at a venue each gathering needs to remain 2m apart Fencing isn't required, cones or other means will suffice. Use signage Facemasks encouraged
Club owned boat ramps / launching areas	Up to 100 people per gathering (based on allowing 1m2 of space per person) Facemasks encouraged when not sailing	Up to 25 people per gathering (based on allowing 1m2 of space per person) Facemasks encouraged when not sailing
Public boat ramps / launching areas		Public boat ramps are not likely to use MVP, but this may depend on the Local Council or Port Authority