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Good Afternoon

One of the hotly debated interpretations of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Alert Level 2) Order 2020 is section 12(2)(a) permit not more than 100 customers or clients to be in the workplace at any 1 time,

We need to thank Brett at the Papanui Club as yesterday he received an Acknowledgement from the Office of Hon Dr David Clark following a letter asking for a review of the 100 person limit. In the acknowledgement Hon David Clarks office provided the following;

I understand your query has to do with being able to offer different rooms/bars for gatherings of up to 100 people each. The advice I have received is that if each space has its own entry and exit, and that you can guarantee that different groups are not able to mingle, you may be ok to have more than one group of 100. This may be difficult to achieve however, if for example there is one smokers area for all the different rooms/bars. This could be an opportunity for people to mingle.

The test I would use is that if a person was found to have the virus and attended one of your bars, how confident would you be that when contact tracing, it would only need to be the people in one particular bar? If you are confident that this could be limited to the 100 or less attending that one bar because of the measures you have put in place, you may be able to have more than one room open.

This is a positive response, but it is not a solid green light and does require you to be able to demonstrate that no mingling can take place between groups of 100. We would recommend that any club looking to allow groups of up to 100 in separate distinct areas carefully consider how this will be achieved, how it will be managed and document it so that there is not confusion should questions be asked.

Kind Regards

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