

Memo to Clubs and Members
From Clubs New Zealand Board and National Office
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Subject Alert Level 3 and 2



You will all be aware that the Government has announced that as of midday 12th August, Auckland will be once again moving to Alert Level 3 and the rest of the country will be moving to Alert Level 2.

These Alert Levels are expected to be reviewed on Friday 14th August.

Below is a quick refresher on what Alert Level 3 and Alert Level 2 mean for clubs:

Please note the below guidance is based off the previous Alert Level 3 and 2 guidance, if there are any changes to this, we will notify clubs as soon as possible.

Alert Level 3 - Auckland

The overarching principals of level 3 for clubs are;

- Clubs must remain closed – any customer facing interactions are not permitted.
- Clubs can start food delivery services and takeaway – but strict health and safety measures will apply for staff and the operation must be completely contactless.
- Clubs with off licences can offer off licence delivery and contactless pick up – strict health and safety measures apply, and you must ensure that the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act is upheld.

Alert Level 2 – Rest of New Zealand

Under Alert Level 2 clubs can open to the public if they are following public health guidance, which include physical distancing and record keeping.

At the time of writing this we are assuming that the rules that applied under the previous Alert Level 2 will apply again under this alert level 2. Where there are any changes we will alert clubs immediately.

Golden rules for business at Alert Level 2:

- Do everything you can to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission at work — we all have a part to play in keeping each other safe.
- COVID-19 is still out there. Play it safe.
- All businesses can operate if they can do so safely. Alternative ways of working are still encouraged where possible.
- Talk with your workers to identify risks and ways to manage them.
- Ask everyone, workers, contractors and customers, with cold or flu-like symptoms to stay away from your premises.
- Keep groups of customers at least 1 metre apart.
- Keep contact tracing records of anyone who will have close interaction for example workers, contractors or customers.
- Reduce the number of shared surfaces, and regularly disinfect them.
- Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands.

Hospitality including clubs

For dine-in customers, restaurants, cafes, bars and clubs should:

- have customers seated
- keep groups of attendees separated 1 metre apart
- have a single server per group, where practical
- keep records of all customers and workers to enable contact tracing

People can order and collect from a counter, except for on-licence and club-licence premises.

Businesses can operate with defined, separated areas. The 100 person maximum applies per area, as long as intermingling in common spaces, such as entrances, exits and toilets, can be prevented. This also applies to separate businesses that operate from the same location.

Gatherings, Functions and Events

A facility or venue that has been hired for a social gathering, intermingling between attendees, including dancing, is permitted.

Facilities or venues can be commercial, for example a restaurant or bar, or non-commercial, for example a community or church hall.

Some examples:

- A wedding reception, birthday party, post-funeral drinks, where a hiring fee is paid for exclusive use of the venue is classed as a gathering.
- A section of a bar or floor of a hotel that has been reserved is classed as hospitality and must follow the 3 S's at all times.

The main thing for social gatherings is contact tracing and no more than 100.

Sports and Adjuncts

At alert level 2 most play, recreation and sport activities can resume, but we still need to 'play it safe' to ensure New Zealand continues to contain COVID-19.

Each sport/adjunct will need to determine what processes are going to be in place to ensure that hygiene and physical distancing requirements are met, for example:

8 Ball rules may look like this (high level):

- 2 players to a table at a time
- While one player is "taking a shot" the other player must be seated.
- No spectators
- All equipment must be sanitised at the completion of a game/s
- Any player showing symptoms of illness will be required to leave.

Class 4 Gaming

As per the Department of Internal Affairs website Operating at Alert Level 2 Class 4 Gaming can resume so long as the venue's primary activity is "offered and available".

Primary activity varies between venues and is recorded on the Class 4 gambling license, check your licence to see what your primary activity is (as a not-for-profit your primary activity cannot be the Sale and Supply of Alcohol).

Where your primary activity is in operation you can operate your gaming machines. Members coming to play the gaming machines can do so separately from the food and beverage operation. If a member is playing the gaming machines and wants a drink for example, they will need to cease the gaming activity and be seated, separated and served by a single server as per the Food and Beverage rules.

If you're unwell

- If you're sick, stay home. Don't go to work or school. Don't socialise.
- If you have symptoms of cold or flu call your doctor or Healthline and get advice about being tested.
- If you have been told to self-isolate you must do so immediately.

We will be updating the Clubs New Zealand website regularly and recommend that clubs check back there often for updates.

Please contact the National Office team on 0800 425 827 if you have any questions, we are here to help.