The COVID-19 Protection Framework

From Alert Levels to Traffic Lights

We’re moving to the next stage of our COVID-19 plan. The Traffic Lights are designed to keep us safe as we go about our daily lives now most of us are vaccinated.

Vaccine passes are an important part of life within the new framework. With My Vaccine Pass, businesses can safely open at all settings, events can go ahead and we can do more of what we love. If you don’t have your pass yet, get it today at MyCovidRecord.nz

Be prepared

If you’re fully vaccinated, you’re still able to catch COVID-19 but are likely to only have mild to moderate symptoms.

If you test positive for COVID-19, you and anyone you live with will need to isolate to help stop the spread of the virus. You will be supported by local health care providers to ensure your health, welfare and wellbeing needs are met while you are isolating.

To make sure you’re ready, be prepared. It’s a good idea to have a plan and some supplies at home in case you or someone you love needs to self-isolate. Have a chat with your neighbours, friends and whānau about how you can look out for each other too.

Find more information on getting prepared at Covid19.govt.nz/be-prepared

How to keep each other safe

If you have cold or flu symptoms, stay home, isolate from others, and call Healthline on 0800 358 5453 for advice about a COVID-19 test.

Mask. Scan. Pass.

We need to protect vulnerable people, keep businesses open and ensure our healthcare system is running well.

To do that we should all:
- Wear a mask or face covering when out and about
- Scan in or keep a manual record of everywhere we go
- Use My Vaccine Pass to enter businesses and events.

Check your region’s colour setting at Covid19.govt.nz/map

Regional Colour Settings

RED: Far North District, Whangarei District, Kaipara District, Auckland, Rotorua District, Kawerau District, Whakatane District, Ōpōtiki District, Gisborne District, Wairoa District, Taupō District, Ruapehu District, Rangitīkei District, Whanganui District.

ORANGE: The rest of the North Island.

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Taking care of each other at Red, Orange and Green

Services for basic needs like supermarkets, pharmacies and public transport are open across every setting with or without My Vaccine Pass.

**Life at Red**
- Wear a face covering on flights, public transport, taxis, shops, education (Year 4 and up including tertiary) and public venues (mandatory)
- You can visit public places like libraries and museums (with limits based on the size of the venue)
- Go to workplaces. Where appropriate staff may work from home
- Go to education places like schools and ECE (with health measures and controls in place).

**My Vaccine Pass allows you to go to the following:**
- Cafes, restaurants and bars
- Gatherings like weddings and funerals, and gatherings at home
- Indoor and outdoor events
- Close-proximity businesses like your hairdresser
- The gym or other member-based businesses like dance or martial art studios
You can also attend tertiary education in person (capacity limits will apply based on venue sizes).

**Without My Vaccine Pass there are restrictions that apply:**
- Only allowed contactless pickups at cafes, restaurants and bars
- Only attend small gatherings of up to 25 people. If held at home, maximum of 25 people regardless of the size of the house
- Cannot attend indoor or outdoor events, like concerts
- Up to 25 people can attend outdoor community gatherings with uncontrolled access
- Only distance learning for tertiary education.

**Life at Orange**
- Wear a face covering on flights, public transport, taxis, shops and public venues (mandatory)
- You can visit public places like libraries and shops (with limits based on the size of venue)
- Go to workplaces
- Go to education places (with health measures in place).

**My Vaccine Pass allows you to go to the following with no limits:**
- Cafes, restaurants and bars
- Gatherings like weddings and funerals, and gatherings at home
- Indoor and outdoor events
- Close-proximity businesses like your hairdresser
- The gym or other member-based businesses like dance or martial art studios.

**Without My Vaccine Pass there are restrictions that apply:**
- Only allowed contactless pickups at cafes, restaurants and bars
- Small gatherings can be up to 50 people, based on the size of the venue. If held at home, maximum 50 regardless of the size of the house
- Cannot attend indoor or outdoor events, like concerts
- Up to 25 people can attend outdoor community gatherings with uncontrolled access
- Cannot visit close-proximity businesses like hairdressers.

**Life at Green**
- Wear a face covering on flights (mandatory)
- Visit public places like libraries and shops
- Go to workplaces
- Go to education places.

**My Vaccine Pass allows you to go to the following with no limits:**
- Cafes, restaurants and bars
- Gatherings like weddings and funerals, and gatherings at home
- Indoor and outdoor events
- Close-proximity businesses like your hairdresser
- The gym or other member-based businesses like dance or martial art studios.

**Without My Vaccine Pass you can go to the following (with limits):**
- Gatherings like weddings and funerals
- Close-proximity businesses like your hairdresser (with masks and scanning in)
- The gym or other member-based businesses like dance or martial art studios.

*Up to 100 people based on the size of the venue.*

Taking care of each other at Red, Orange and Green

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