

The Covid Protection Framework for Rowing

"Club setting"

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COVID-19 Protection Framework (CPF)

New Zealand moves to the CPF, also known as the traffic lights, on 3 December. This new approach to COVID-19 will introduce more freedoms for vaccinated New Zealanders.

<u>Key Dates</u>

- 29 November Cabinet announced the traffic lights settings for New Zealand
- 2 December At 11:59pm, all New Zealand will move to the framework

Under the new CPF, Rowing can take place with restrictions implemented geographically to protect at-risk people and minimise the risk of community transmission.

Your setting will depend on where you are in Aotearoa New Zealand.

All outdoor parks, fields and playgrounds can open for use, along with public facilities, which will operate under specific settings.

Most rowing can be undertaken under gatherings restrictions. The number that can meet at a Gathering depends on whether vaccine passes are required and checked or not.





CPF for a Rowing Club

The following guidance is provided by Rowing NZ to support Clubs as they look to respond to the new CPF system.

Key principles to follow

- All outdoor parks, fields and playgrounds can open for use at red, orange and green.
- Sport facilities can open but will need to consider specific rules for the commercial premises that they run such as cafes or a bar.
- For community rowing the rules for <u>Gatherings</u> generally apply.
- The number of people that can meet at the <u>Gathering</u> depends on whether vaccine passes are required and checked or not.
- There can be multiple Gatherings at one venue, however each Gathering needs to take place in a defined space with distance maintained between groups.
- Spectators at an outdoor gathering can be treated as a separate gathering and the same limits apply to them.
- There are no requirements for physical distancing while rowing; and you do not need to wear a mask when rowing.
- You can cross regional boundaries, and move from red to orange for example, if you have a vaccine pass and/or a proof of a negative COVID-19 test. You should abide by the relevant settings for the area you visit; you no longer take your home settings with you. If you're sick, you should stay at home.





CPF Critical Terms

Covid Protection Framework - also known as the traffic light system and abbreviated to CPF

- **Red** designed to protect at-risk people and the health system from an unsustainable number of hospitalisations
- **Orange** designed to reduce increasing community transmission that is putting pressure on the public health system and at-risk people
- **Green** designed to reduce increasing community transmission that is putting pressure on the public health system and at-risk people
- **Gathering** For community rowing the rules for Gatherings generally apply. A gathering is people who are intermingling in a group but excludes people who remain at least 2 metres away from each other, so far as reasonably practicable. It includes gatherings to undertake voluntary or not-for-profit sporting, recreational, social or cultural activities.
- Limits When there is a gathering numerical limit i.e. up to 100 people per gathering. You work out the gathering number based on how many square metres of space you have, and you are allowed 1 person per square metre. e.g. if you space is 50 sqm then you can have 50 people in your gathering. When the people are 'gathered', unless otherwise detailed, they can move about freely within their space





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Red is designed to protect at-risk people and the health system from an unsustainable number of hospitalisations

Rowing Environment	<u>Use</u> of Covid Vaccination Certificates	Non use of Covid Vaccination Certificates
On water daily training environment	 Up to 100 people per gathering Use of all boats is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 25 people per gathering Use of all boats is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Clubrooms	 Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 25 people per gathering Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Clubrooms with hospitality	 Up to 100 people per gathering – based on 1m of space per person, people must be seated and separated 	Contactless only
Boatshed	 Up to 100 people per gathering Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 25 people per gathering Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Gym/Erg Room	 Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not exercising 	Not possible to use





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Orange is designed to reduce increasing community transmission that is putting pressure on the public health system and at-risk people.

Rowing Environment	<u>Use</u> of Covid Vaccination Certificates	Non use of Covid Vaccination Certificates
On water daily training environment	 No limits to gatherings Use of all boats is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 50 people per gathering Use of all boats is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Clubrooms	 No limits to gatherings Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 50 people per gathering Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Clubrooms with hospitality	• No limits to gatherings	Contactless only
Boatshed	 No limits to gatherings Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 50 people per gathering Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Gym/Erg Room	 No limits to gatherings Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not exercising 	• Not possible to use





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Green is designed to reduce increasing community transmission that is putting pressure on the public health system and at-risk people.

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Clubrooms	 No limits to gatherings Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 100 people per gathering Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Clubrooms with hospitality	• No limits to gatherings	Contactless only
Boatshed	 No limits to gatherings Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat 	 Up to 100 people per gathering Use of showers and toilets is possible Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not in the boat
Gym/Erg Room	 No limits to gatherings Facemasks are encouraged to be used when not exercising 	• Up to 100 people per gathering





Frequently Asked Questions:

Question:	Answer
1. Can I row big boats at all levels?	Yes it is possible to row all boats at all traffic light colours
2. What is a gathering?	A gathering is people who are intermingling in a group but excludes people who remain at least 2 metres away from each other, so far as reasonably practicable. It includes gatherings to undertake voluntary or not-for-profit sporting, recreational, social or cultural activities.
3. Can we use the changing rooms/showers/toilets at all levels	Yes it is possible to use all facilities at the club
4. Are coaches and helpers included in gathering numbers at each colour?	Yes they will be included within the total gathering numbers
5. Can we allow non vaccinated and vaccinated members to mix together, if yes how does that affect the gathering numbers?	Yes you can, however where non vaccinated and vaccinated members mix, the non vaccinated colour setting must be adhered too – for example at red, this would mean a maximum of 25 people gathering.
6. Does our club need to be a vaccine mandated club?	The choice to mandate vaccinations at your club is up to the club committee/board to decide. We appreciate this could be a challenging decision, however the club is best placed to decide based on their own situation
7. How do we check vaccination status of our members?	Clubs are asked to clearly inform its members if you are going to mandate vaccination at the club. Clubs can download the NZ Pass Verifier- <u>click here</u> . Government has suggested that "checking should take place as best as is practical"
8. Are spectators included in gathering numbers?	Yes they are, unless they are in a separate defined area.

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