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1.1 INTRODUCTION

Thank you to all our community basketball leaders who are continuing to manage your organisations and providing safe participation opportunities as we continue to navigate the challenges presented by COVID-19.

New Zealand is currently at the updated RED settings on the updated COVID Protection Framework. The next Government review date is Thursday 14 April. Cabinet will then decide whether all or parts of the country can move to Orange.

To summarise the key changes are:

- We remain at Red
- The new Red settings are in effect - outdoor capacity limits are removed and indoor limits increased to 200 (for people who have a My Vaccine Pass)
- Record keeping has finished

And now also (effective from Monday 4 April):

- My Vaccine Pass are no longer a government requirement
- Workforce vaccination mandate for the teaching workforce ended, as have mandates for those at My Vaccine Pass venues
- If you have questions relating to COVID-19 your best resource remains the excellent resources and guidance available on the website [Sport New Zealand](#)
- General guidance for businesses: business.govt.nz
- Guidance for workplaces that have a case of COVID-19: health.govt.nz
- Guidance for all of New Zealand: covid19.govt.nz

In today's update you will find details on:

- **Responses to Questions submitted**
- **A summary of recent changes and current settings**
- **BBNZ COVID-19 Graduated Return to Play (GRTP) one page summary**
- **BBNZ COVID-19 Graduated Return to Play (GRTP) full guide**

Sport New Zealand also have an extensive Q & A section that you can check [here](#). If you cannot find the information or answers you are looking for you can email:

- Sport New Zealand - covid19response@sportnz.org.nz
- Basketball New Zealand general support – community@nz.basketball
- Basketball New Zealand delivery support – tournaments@nz.basketball

We will endeavour to source answers to all questions submitted by **5pm each Wednesday** in this weekly update that will be circulated on Friday afternoons.

Nga mihi,

Brad Edwards
GM Community Basketball

1.2 WEEKLY Q & A'S

In addition to this Q & A section Sport New Zealand are continuing to update an extensive Q & A section that you can check [here](#). This is the quickest way to find answers to your questions.

There were no specific questions submitted this week.

1.3 WEEKLY UPDATES

From 11.59pm on Friday 25 March 2022 the traffic light system has changed. These changes reflect public health advice, and where New Zealand has moved to in our Omicron response. Sport NZ have updated their guidance to reflect the changes announced, and these are now live alongside our updated FAQs on the Sport NZ website [here](#).

The removal of the My Vaccine Pass from the COVID-19 Protection Framework (CPF) came into effect on 4 April. The next review of the settings by the Government will take place on 14 April.

Please continue to check the [Sport New Zealand](#) website for updates and specific guidelines to reflect the changes announced.

To recap the key changes to the COVID-19 Protection Framework (CPF) and vaccine mandates

From 25 March, a new and highly simplified traffic light setting was introduced. The key changes are as follows.

Red

- Indoor capacity limits for gatherings and events with My Vaccine Pass will increase to 200 – this includes gyms, food and drink businesses and other indoor settings where sport and recreation takes place.
- There will be no limits for outdoor activities with My Vaccine Pass – such as gatherings, events, and food/drink retailers.
- Face masks are no longer required at outdoor settings.
- There is no requirement to scan in or for a business to display a QR code poster or have mandatory record keeping.

Orange

- There will be no capacity limits for indoor and outdoor gatherings and events, but face masks are still required in many indoor settings.
- There is no requirement to scan in or for a business to display a QR code poster or have mandatory record keeping.

Green

- There are no requirements, but good health habits should still be maintained to help look after those who are more vulnerable to COVID-19.
- *Sport New Zealand advice is that it is unlikely we will see a move to Green until after winter.*

My Vaccine Pass

From 4 April, My Vaccine Passes are no longer be required. This is due to the high vaccination rate and levels of acquired immunity.

- After 4 April, businesses will still be able to use the system if they would like to.

This change also applies to all student and adult workers and volunteers involved in school sport (volunteers, coaches, officials).

At all levels, the testing and isolation requirements remain as they are now. If you have symptoms or someone in your household tests positive, isolate and get tested.

Basketball New Zealand – MVP Update

Following Government advice Basketball New Zealand is no longer requiring My Vaccine Passes at any BBNZ events.

It is our advice that member Associations also follow this Government update.

Please note that organisations, including venues, may still decide to continue requiring MVP as a condition of entry. See 1.5 Update on Venues use of MVP on the next page.

1.4 USEFUL RESOURCES

This week BBNZ are releasing two updated Graduated Return to Play (GRTP) guides:

- **BBNZ COVID-19 Graduated Return to Play (GRTP) one page summary**
- **BBNZ COVID-19 Graduated Return to Play (GRTP) full guide**

These are attached to this week's Association Update and will also be available on our [COVID-19 website hub](#)

The other key guide is the [BBNZ Guide to Operating under CPF RED and ORANGE Levels](#)

If you are looking for further information and/or resources we encourage you to review previous BBNZ COVID-19 Update available on our [COVID-19 website hub](#) and the [Sport New Zealand COVID-19 website hub](#).

1.5 UPDATE ON VENUES USE OF MVP

BBNZ have contacted all venues planned to host BBNZ events this year. All bar one have removed MVP requirements.

Playing Venue(s)	Vaccine Passes
ASB Sports Centre	Not mandatory
AUT North Shore	Not mandatory
Ballroom (B&M Centre)	Not mandatory
Basketball Mid-Canterbury Stadium	Not mandatory
Central Energy Trust Arena	Not mandatory
Christchurch Arena	Not mandatory
Cowles Stadium	Not mandatory
EA Networks Centre	Not mandatory
Edgar Centre	Not mandatory
Energy Events Centre	Not mandatory
Eventfinda Stadium	Not mandatory
Fly Palmy Arena	Not mandatory
Franklin Pool & Leisure Centre	Not mandatory
Hastings Sports Centre	Not mandatory
ILT Stadium Southland	Not mandatory
ILT Stadium Southland	Not mandatory
Mainpower Stadium	Not mandatory
Massey, Palmerston North	MVP required
Pettigrew Green Arena	Not mandatory
Pulman Arena	Not mandatory
Saxton Stadium	Not mandatory
Springvale Stadium	Not mandatory
The Edgar Centre	Not mandatory
The Peak	Not mandatory
Trafalgar Centre	Not mandatory
TSB Bank Arena	Not mandatory
TSB Stadium	Not mandatory
YMCA New Plymouth	Not mandatory