

New Zealand moves out of Alert Level 1

It was announced yesterday that New Zealand will be moving out of Alert Level 1 and will transition back into the more restrictive levels from 12:00 pm on 12 August 2020.

Those located in the Auckland region (everything from Wellsford to Pukekohe) will be moving to [Alert Level 3](#) and all other regions in New Zealand will move to [Alert Level 2](#).

The move comes with the announcement of new COVID-19 cases outside of a Managed Isolation or Quarantine facility – the first in New Zealand for 102 days. The new cases are all within one family located in Auckland.

Key information for Auckland and Alert Level 3:

- If you have any symptoms of COVID-19 or are unwell, stay home and get in contact with your doctor or Healthline.
- Stay home and within your personal household bubble whenever you are not at school or work or accessing essential services. If you can work or educate from home, please do.
- Maintain physical distancing of 2 metres when you are in public.
- Mask use is highly encouraged.
- You may only travel in and out of the Auckland region if you are returning home to the place that you ordinarily live.

Key information for other regions and Alert Level 2:

- If you have any symptoms of COVID-19 or are unwell, stay home and get in contact with your doctor or Healthline.
- Gatherings and events must be less than 100 people and physical distance should be maintained from others when in public – two metres in public and retail stores and one metre in workplaces, cafes, restaurants and gyms.
- Mask use is highly encouraged.

Until an investigation can be completed and the source of these cases can be located, New Zealand will be going hard and strong to prevent any further spread. The Alert Level move has been announced to initially last for three days (ending midnight Friday 14 August) and will be reassessed based on the outcome of the investigation.

See the Government's Unite Against COVID-19 site for more information.

General: <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

Auckland: <https://covid19.govt.nz/covid-19/restrictions/auckland/>

Alert Level 3: <https://covid19.govt.nz/covid-19/restrictions/alert-level-3/>

Alert Level 2: <https://covid19.govt.nz/covid-19/restrictions/alert-level-2/>

Resources:

PM comments on Auckland COVID-19 case <<https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/pm-comments-auckland-covid-19-case>> 11 August 2020