

## **Auckland to join rest of NZ at Covid-19 Alert Level 1**

As of 11.59pm on Wednesday 7 October 2020, the Auckland region will join the rest of the country in Alert Level 1.

Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern announced "on the basis of the success and effectiveness of our elimination strategy, and on the advice of the Director General of Health, Cabinet has confirmed Auckland will join the rest of New Zealand at Alert Level 1 from 11.59pm this Wednesday, the 7th of October."

Ardern said moving to Level 1 meant there was a risk of complacency and she urged people to continue to use the Covid-19 tracer app.

"In real life, that complacency means in the event of a future outbreak, we may not be able to contact you as quickly, get you tested or into isolation. As a result, we could possibly see the virus spread further, faster."

She also highlighted the importance of the continuation of high rates of testing.

"We all want to avoid more restrictions. To stay at Level 1 relies on all of us continuing to be vigilant and playing our part.

"Keep using the app. If you are even slightly unwell, stay home, call healthline and get a test," she said.

"Avoiding another outbreak relies on each and every one of us."

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

Alert Level 1: <https://covid19.govt.nz/alert-system/alert-level-1/>

### **Resources:**

Auckland enters Alert Level 1

<<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/content/tvz/onenews/story/2020/10/05/levels.html?auto=6197430774001>>