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New Alert Level 2 information released on www.covid19.govt.nz

The Government has released more information on how Alert Level 2 will work.

Moving to Alert Level 2

We've united against Covid-19 and by continuing to work together we can earn the opportunity to move to Alert Level 2. When we move to Alert Level 2 we can leave our bubbles and reconnect with friends and family.

We'll move to Alert Level 2 when we're confident there is no community transmission and that the disease is contained.

When we do, we'll have measures in place to track and stop any new transmission and stamp out any outbreaks.

Cabinet is reviewing whether we are ready to move to Alert Level 2 on Monday 11 May 2020. Until then, we remain at Alert Level 3.

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against
COVID-19**

Play it safe

You will have more freedom of movement at Alert Level 2, but it's up to each one of us to keep the rest of New Zealand safe.

These are the most important things that you can do:

- COVID-19 is still out there. Play it safe.
- Keep your distance from other people in public.
- If you're sick, stay home. Don't go to work or school. Don't socialise.
- If you have symptoms of cold or flu call your doctor or Healthline and get tested.
- Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands.
- Sneeze and cough into your elbow, regularly disinfect surfaces.
- If you have been told to self-isolate you must do so immediately.
- Keep a track of where you've been and who you've seen.

Life at Alert Level 2

Life at Alert Level 2 means we can resume many of our everyday activities — but we have to do so safely.

- All businesses can open if they can do it safely. This will help to get people back to work.
- We can go in-store at local businesses.
- Tertiary education facilities, schools and early learning centres will be open.
- We can travel between regions.
- We can safely connect and socialise with close friends and family.
- We can visit local restaurants, cafes and bars.
- We can return to our regular recreation activities.
- We can celebrate life's important moments with our loved ones such as weddings, funerals, birthdays and anniversaries.
- Small religious gatherings and ceremonies can be held with public health measures in place.

Controls at Alert Level 2

Alert Level 2 is not life as normal, some restrictions and other measures remain in place to reduce the risk of transmission.

- We need to maintain physical distancing.
- We will keep tight controls in place at our borders.
- Our wide-scale testing will continue.
- We will find and self-isolate anyone who is unwell and their close contacts.
- There will be measures in place to allow some safe travel and socialising.
- Only small, controlled gatherings will be permitted.
- Early childhood centres, schools and tertiary organisations will see most people returning — with controls in place.
- Physical distancing, hygiene standards and contact registers will make businesses safe.

The official New Zealand Covid19 website (<https://covid19.govt.nz/alert-system/alert-level-2/>) has further information about the following topics:

- ***Personal movement***
- ***Gatherings and events***
- ***Public venues***
- ***Exercise, sport and recreation***
- ***High-level sporting events***
- ***Travel and transport***
- ***Education***
- ***Early learning services and schools***
- ***Tertiary education***
- ***At-risk people***
- ***Self-isolation, quarantine and testing***

Workplaces and businesses

At Alert Level 2 businesses can operate if they're able to do so safely.

Golden rules for business at Alert Level 2

Do everything you can to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission at work — we all have a part to play in keeping each other safe.

1. COVID-19 is still out there. Play it safe.
2. All businesses can operate if they can do so safely. Alternative ways of working are still encouraged where possible.
3. Talk with your workers to identify risks and ways to manage them.
4. Ask everyone, workers, contractors and customers, with cold or flu-like symptoms to stay away from your premises.
5. Keep groups of customers 1 metre apart.
6. Keep contact-tracing records of anyone who will have close interaction (workers, contractors or customers).
7. Reduce the number of shared surfaces, and regularly disinfect them.
8. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands.

There is further information on the website about:

- ***Engaging with customers***
- ***Work involving close personal contact***
- ***Doing business safely***
- ***Detailed table of New Zealand COVID-19 Alert Levels***

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