#### **COVID Protection Framework Plan**



Updated 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021



SIR, CRA, ORA, MRA, and SRA are committed to running events with as minimal restrictions as possible. Therefore, upon implementation of the Traffic Light System (3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021) regatta's will be limited to those vaccinated only, to allow for fewer restrictions at ALL traffic light level's, and a relatively "normal" regatta experience for rowers and their whānau.

Traffic Light Level	Without Vaccine Cert.	With Vaccine Cert.
Green	The Old Level 2 Plan would	No Limits. (Normal Event)
	have to be implemented.	
		Record keeping and scanning
	Financially unsustainable long term	will be required.
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	No spectators allowed	
Orange	Regattas could not be run.	No Limits. (Normal Event)
	Gatherings restricted to 50	
	people per space. Twice as	Record keeping and scanning
	restrictive and costly as the	will be required.
Pod	current level 2 plan	The old level 2 plan sould be
Red	Regattas could not be run. Gathering restricted to 25	The old level 2 plan could be used in conjunction with
	people per space.	vaccine certificates. (Zones of
	people per space.	up to 100)
		,
		Regatta could be run subject
		to time available to secure
		infrastructure, and to set up
		the venue.
		Would also be subject to
		"regional travel" being
		allowed.
		Record keeping and scanning
		will be required.

Ruuning events without a vaccine mandate is near impossible and therefore SIR will require vaccines certificates to allow for near zero restrictions at green & orange and allow regattas to take in a "Red" scenario with similar rules as our previous level 2 plan.

By mandating vaccines at all levels, we can provide the highest possible level of assurance that all our regattas can take place at any given Traffic Light Level.

## Green & Orange Protocols:

#### 1. Each team (entrant) to assign a Team COVID Officer

A nominated team covid officer (CO) will need to be notified to the SIR COVID Logistics manager via the SIR contact tracing form.

#### **Logistics Manager:**

**Logan Keys** 

CLM - Phone; 0273836159; Email covid@ruataniwha.co.nz

#### 2. Contact Tracing & Vaccine Certificates.

Team Covid Officers (CO) to return pre-event contact register by the notified due date to <a href="mailto:covid@ruatniwha.co.nz">covid@ruatniwha.co.nz</a>. CO's will be required to collect and hold a **hard copy in** alphabetical order of their team's vaccine passes, which will all be audited during the course of the regatta.

Along with their contract register, CO's will need to sign & return a statortory decleration confirming every member of their team is vaccinated.

Information will be held by the CLM and may be shared with appropriate authorities for the purposes of contact tracing only. The information is required by health order to be held by the event host (SIR) for 2 months following the event. After 2months all information will be deleted. Information will be only be shared in the circumstance of a COVID-19 out break in the local area or within participants at the event.

#### 3. Particpant Venue Access

CO's will be given wrist bands to issue to all their team members (including support staff). Wrists band will grant partipants entrance into the SIR rowing complex via the Participant Entrance.

#### 4. Spectators & Vaccine Certificates

Spectators will be allowed at the event, subject to gate staff sighting a vaccine certificate.

#### 5. Spectators Venue Access

Spectators will enter the SIR complext via the main gate. Apon sighting a vaccine certificate spectators will be issued a wrist band. Once a spectator has a wrist band they can come and go as they please from the venue.

The 500m – 1000m road will be closed to the public and be included as part of the regatta venue for the purposes of the event. Anyone entering the complex will be required to enter via either the participant or spectator gate.

#### 6. Spectator Entry Fee

Spectators will be charged a \$5 entry fee. EFTPOS or Cash.

#### 7. Venue Access Diagram

Appendix #1

### **Red Protocols:**

The old SIR "level 2" plan applies in conjunction with vaccine pass's, NO Spectators will be allowed. As the entire site will be used to split participants into zones of no more than 100 people.

Pre-event contact registers required to be fill out and submitted to <a href="mailto:covid@ruataniwha.co.nz">covid@ruataniwha.co.nz</a> by deadline set for each regattta.

Information will be held by the CLM and may be shared with appropriate authorities for the purposes of contact tracing only. The information is required by health order to be held by the event host (SIR) for 2 months following the event. After 2months all information will be deleted. Information will be only be shared in the circumstance of a COVID-19 out break in the local area or within participants at the event.

The regatta go ahead based on (but limited to) some of the following considerations:

- There is enough warning & time to set up the venue and organise the logistics around meeting the 100 person gathering limits.
- Regional travel rules allow particapants to get to the regatta.

A summary of the special conditions for "Red" follows on pages 4-12.

## **Training Camp Protocols**

Training camps can occur at all levels.

All attendees must submit a pre-training camp notification form on the SIR website at least 3 weeks prior to the camp. <a href="https://ruataniwha.co.nz/index.php/training/">https://ruataniwha.co.nz/index.php/training/</a>

Protocols for the camp will be communicated to attendees based on the level and the overall numbers of people notified to be using the facility during the given period of time.

Teams that do not notify within the deadline will **NOT** be granted access to the facility.

All participants will be required to be vaccinated for camps, to allow for as fewer restrictions as possible for the numbers attending at a given time.

## Summary of Protocols/Special Conditions for "Red"

#### **Gatherings**

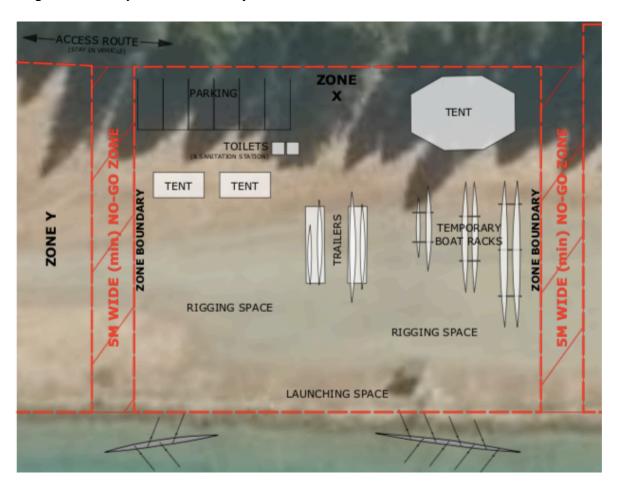
Entrants will be required to submit their squads on Rowit 3–4 weeks prior to the regatta. On this date, team squads will be locked (shown as the entry close date on rowit) so that each entrant can be assigned one of a maximum of 20 "zones". Each "zone" is to be considered one gathering within the SIR complex. All entries will then be taken as "late entries" on rowit and all entries will be accepted up to their normal date.

If we move to Red after the entry close dates or during the regatta, the covid committee & regatta committees will consider the practicalities of shifting into "zones" to allow the regatta to go ahead/continue.

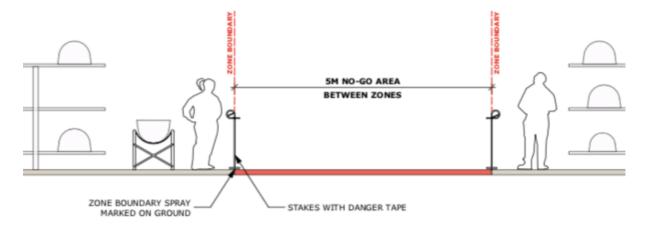
Zones will include space for parking, shelter (tents), racks/boat storage space, launch/retrieval space and amenities.

ROADWAYS THAT GO THROUGH ZONES ARE NOT CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE ZONE. THEY ARE ACCESS WAYS TO AMENITIES AND FOR EMERGENCIES. AT ANY STAGE WHEN USING THE ROADWAYS, MASKS MUST BE WORN. ROAD ARE NOT PLACES TO GATHER!

Diagram 1: Example Small Zone Layout:



**Diagram 2: Separation Between Zones** 



- Zones shall be allocated to no more than a total of 100 athletes (plus coaches and team management).
- Zones will be assigned by the Regatta COVID committee. And notified to the entrants prior to the start of the regatta.

# A Covid induction will be completed with each team manager prior to their team being allowed access to the site.

#### **ZONE ALLOCATIONS**

ZONE	TEAMS	AMENITIES	EST.	
			SIZE	
Zone 1	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 2	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 3	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 4	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 5	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 6	TBC	Boat Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 7	TBC	Car Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 8	TBC	Car Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 9	TBC	Car Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 10	TBC	Car Park Toliets	TBC	
Zone 11	TBC	500m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 12	TBC	500m Mark Portaloos TBC		
Zone 13	TBC	500m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 14	TBC	500m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 15	TBC	1000m Mark Portaloos	1000m Mark Portaloos TBC	
Zone 16	TBC	1000m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 17	TBC	1000m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 18	TBC	1000m Mark Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 19	TBC	Start Line Portaloos	TBC	
Zone 20	TBC	Start Line Portaloos	TBC	

#### ALL Portaloos are considered Uni-sex.

#### 8. Each team (entrant) to assign a Team COVID Officer

A nominated team covid officer (CO) will need to be notified to the SIR COVID Logistics manager via the SIR contact tracing form.

#### **Logistics Manager:**

**Logan Keys** 

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This person will be in charge of:

- Ensuring the numbers within your zone stay well below the allowed limit of 100 people.
- Minimize numbers in your zone at all times. Athletes are to only be at the lake within
  a window of 90min prior to a race and 60min after. Athletes shall not be at the
  venue outside of these times.
- Notifying the medical officer of the regatta of any suspected COVID cases.
- Arranging transport of any symptomatic individuals away from the regatta course and into isolation with your accommodation provider.
- Filling in the event attendee register (via a form distributed).
- Ensuring the team has appropriate distancing protocols at and away from the Regatta Venue and filling in the documentation to prove that. (Via a form distributed).

#### 9. Site access

#### **Trailer Drop off**

Please contact Boat Park Manager (BPM): Alex Meates, BPM Phone; 0273303410

to arrange your trailer drop off time. Access to the venue prior to the event will be via booking only. Trailer drop off/rigging times must be arranged through the BPM.

#### **Site Access During the Event**

There will be only one access point into the venue, via the main gate.

Participants will be directed to their zone at this access gate. All regatta attendees shall arrive at their zone in a vehicle (no bikes or walk ins) via the allocated access routes (map provided). There shall be no cycling to the venue. All attendees shall remain in their vehicle until they arrive at the allocated parking space within their zone.

Gate Marshals will be placed at all site entry points to the complex and will control all entry points to the regatta. All occupants of a vehicle will be required to show a pass/lanyard to the Gate Marshals before entry is granted to the complex. If pass cards/lanyards are not held, individuals and/or whole groups will not be allowed to enter the complex and will be turned around.

Team passes will be distributed to the nominated team CO by the BPM or CLM after your zone induction.

Spectators are not permitted within the SIR complex for events run in "Red". ONLY AUTHORIZED Team personnel with passes will be given access to the facility.

#### 10. Separation of Groups

Where two groups are adjacent, they will be separated by a rope/tape barrier on each side of their area, with at least a 5m "buffer zone" between each group so that groups maintain a safe distance from one another.

Competitors who are coaching/officiating are allowed to be a member of the zone in which they are competing and the zone in which they are coaching/officiating. They will be required to be on both contact registers and will be counted in the numbers for both zones for the purposes of gathering limits, so that neither zone will ever breach the 100 person limit. When moving zones they will need to do so, in a vehicle via the main gate.

The organising committee will have people monitoring the venue and zones at all times ensuring compliance with separation of groups.

The consequence of non-compliance may be full venue shut down and regatta shut down.

#### 11. Toilet Facilities

There will be four sub areas (same as numbers hut), each with their own toliet facilities.

Toliets facilities are considered shared space and will be roped off separately from adjacent zones. Access to the toilets will be via the main road.

When accessing the toilet masks must be worn & social distance maintained.

Area 1: Zones 1 – 6 – Boat Park Toilets

Area 2: Zones 7 – 10 – Car Park Toilets

Area 3: Zones 11-15 - The 500m Gate Portaloos

Area 4: Zones 15-18 - The 1000m Hut Portaloos

Area 5: Zones 19-20 - The Start Area Portaloos

#### 12. Contact Tracing

Each Team Covid Health Officer will be responsible for filling in the event attendee register form for their club and send this to the event COVID logistics manager. CLM covid@ruataniwha.co.nz

Each zone will have its own QR code as each zone is considered its own gathering. Team Covid Health Officer is responsible for ensuring all team members scan into their zone

In an emergency situation or rescue situation a record will be kept of any close contacts, and this will be shared with the event COVID logistics manager.

#### 13. Masks

All participants must carry a mask on them at all times. They are required to wear them when it is not possible to maintain physical distance.

While on the water masks are not required to be worn. There may be circumstances where social distancing cannot be maintained, e.g. To go to the toliet, receive first aid, rescue from capsize or any other emergency situation. In such situations a mask carried by each individual shall be worn at the earliest moment safely possible.

Rescue staff, umpires and first aid will also carry a supply of mask at all times for such situations.

#### 14. Personal Hygiene

Each zone will be allocated separate toilet facilities together with a supply of hand sanitiser. It is the responsibility of each team to set up a sanitisation routine for their own boats and oars/sculls. Equipment cannot be shared between users of different zones.

All amenities will be cleaned twice per day between 11am & 1pm and 4pm & 6pm. All groups will be provided with surface spray to allow for additional cleaning between the commercial cleaning. Groups should also bring their own sanitisers.

#### 15. Lane Numbers

There will be four sub areas (same as toilets), each with their own "numbers hut.

Area 1: Zones 1 – 6 – Normal Numbers Hut

Area 2: Zones 7 – 10 – The Cafeteria Window

Area 3: Zones 11-15 - The 500m Gate

Area 4: Zones 15-18 - The 1000m Hut

Area 5: Zones 19-20 - The Start Area

Coaches/support staff ONLY will have the ability to use the roadway to access the numbers hut in their area.

When collecting or returning numbers coaches/support staff must where masks and stay socially distant.

There will be sanitization facilities for all numbers collected & returned.

#### 16. Water

Each zone will need to consider their access to water and - where required - bring water into the venue in water bottles and larger containers for their team.

#### 17. Rubbish

Each zone will be responsible for removing all rubbish from their site and offsite from the SIR complex.

#### 18. First Aid - Call Dr. Gardiner - 027434764 -

First Aid will be provided in the First Aid Room under the Control Building; however, we request that the Team Health Officer calls the First Aid team ahead to advise that they will be bringing an individual for attention. Anyone seeking medical aid and anyone assisting that individual must wear a mask.

If urgent (life/death) care is not required, then anyone seeking first aid shall be transported in a team vehicle back via the main gate and then into the car park under the control building. The patient shall not leave the vehicle until Dr. Gardiner or his delegate gives the patient permission to do so.

In the case of a life-threatening injury or illness notify 111 immediately, then contact Dr. Gardiner. In such cases the priority is the patient. Gathering sizes will still be maintained well under 100 if the patient must transit between zones.

#### 19. Communication

All communication will be managed via the Regatta & COVID committees. Covid related communication will be managed by the COVID Committee.

- Pre event: all covid related information will come from covid@ruataniwha.co.nz.
- The Medical Officier of the Regatta, Boat Park Manager & Covid Logistics Manager can be contacted via the details below.
- The CLM may also post generic Covid protocol related material to the SIR Facebook Page and SIR Website.

Regatta related details such as delays will be managed by the regatta committee.

• During the event regatta related information will be communicated via the SIR Facebook page & the SIR website.

KEY PERSONNEL						
Name	Role	Responsibility	Contact Details			
COVID SPECIFIC ROLES						
Dr. Gardner (Local Twizel GP and SIR medical consultant)	Regatta Medical Officer	Responsible for COVID-19 risks and first aid. In the event of a suspected COVID-19 in either the Twizel township or the regatta venue, the medicial officier would take control of the regatta.	027434764			
Peter Midgley, Alex Meates, Logan Keys	COVID Committee	Responsible for Communiction regarding the regatta.  Responsible for Implementation of the covid plan & compliance regarding venue & participants	Numbers below			
Peter Midgley	Chief Umpire (COVID)	Responsible for Implementation of covid plan regarding officials & volunteers.	0274389595			
Logan Keys	COVID Logistics Manager	Responsible for Implementation of the covid plan & compliance regarding venue & participants	0273836150 covid@ruataniwha.co.nz			
Alex Meates	Boat Park Manager (BPM)	Liason for teams arriving and leaving the regatta.	0273303410 covid@ruataniwha.co.nz			
	REGATTA SPECIFIC ROLES					
Lauren Farnden	Chief Umpire (Regatta)	Volunteer recruitment, & management	0274401882			
Karl Morgan	Regatta Controler	Regatta Control	021485090 secretary@ruataniwha.c o.nz			

EXTERNAL SUPPORT CONTACTS				
NZ Police	Local Police Officer	Assistance with regatta management and compliance relating to restricted access and relevant COVID 19 legislations.	23 Tasman Road Twizel 7901 03-435 0719	
			In an emergency - 111	
Mackenzie Health Centre Twizel Medical Centre	Local Medical Centres	Emergency and first aid assistance.	3A Benmore Place, Twizel 7901 03-976 0503  15 Mackenzie Drive Twize p: 03 435 0777 admin@twizelmed.co.nz	

#### 20. Boat Storage

Groups that do not have access to boat racks will be responsible for arranging their own boat storage.

Entrants may not have access to the normal boat racks should come prepared to store boats on trailers and bring a supply of low trestles to support boats.

Teams will be allocated & notified of zones after squads are locked.

Groups should consider the fact Twizel is a high wind area and ensure that they can keep their boats secure in high winds. This may require derigging between days etc.

#### 21. Tent Sites

You may erect a tent within your allocated zone. There will be no parents or supporters' tents as the whole venue is required to safety allocate participants separate spaces.

#### 22. Safety Briefing

The regatta safety briefing and briefing of Covid protocols will be held via zoom prior to the event. Team Covid Officers will be sent an invitation to this once the required documentation is received. Attendance at this meeting is compulsory, non-attendance will mean exclusion from the regatta.

There may be multiple additional safety briefings as required.

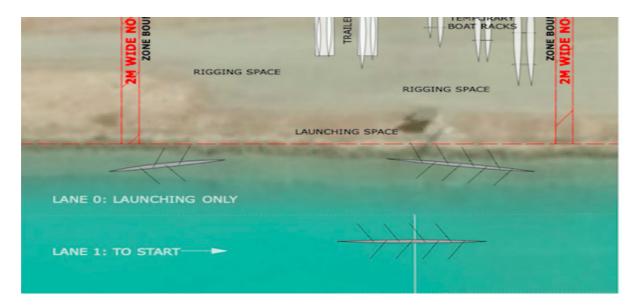
#### 23. Traffic Flow

All crews are to proceed to the Start using Lane 0. Lane 0 is for launch/retrieval only. Lane 1 is for transit to the start only up to the 1000m, at this point crews can follow the normal traffic pattern in the bay. Racing will take place using Lanes 2 to 10. Lane 10 will be given a "0" as a bow number.

Lanes 0: launch/retrieve

Lane 1: to start Lane 2-10: racing

Diagram 4: Boat launch + to start



#### 24. Cycling

Each team is to remain in its allocated zone during the event and as such cycling to watch racing is not permitted.

#### 25. Coxswain and Boat Weighing

Under Red, there will be no coxswain or boat weighing during the regatta. Participants are expected to self comply with weight rules.

#### 26. Medal Presentations

There will be no medal presentations for this event

#### 27. Spectators

Spectators are not permitted within the SIR complex or zones located on Mackenzie District Council land for events run Red.

#### 28. Coffee, food & Refreshments

No coffee, food or other refreshments will be available within the SIR complex during these events.

#### 29. Entries & Composites

A "squad lock" date will be advertised on Rowit, this will be earlier than the normal entry close date. This allows the organising committee to assign zones prior to the event. All future entries MUST come from the locked squads. The squad lock date will be no less than 3 weeks prior to the start of the event.

Composite entries will not be accepted until after entries close. Single-zone composites may be allowed as supplementary entries should space in the daysheet allow.

In the situation where we move to RED after entries have closed, composite entries may be removed from the regatta. Squad limits may also be imposed if required to meet gathering rules.

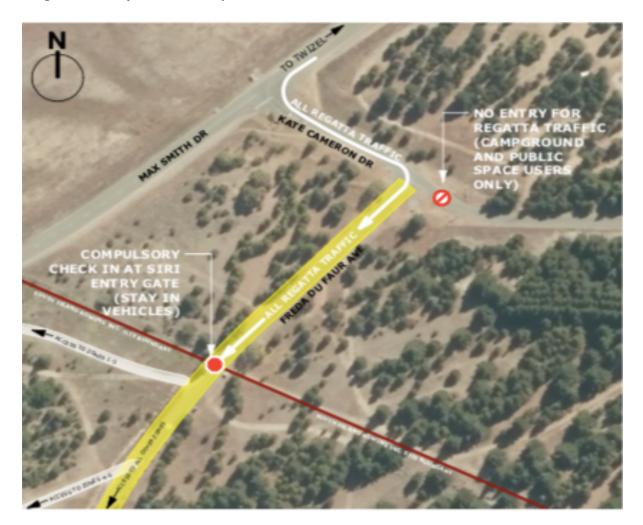
#### 30. COVID Fee

SIR reserves the right to charge an additional "COVID Fee" to entrants at \$15 per person to offset the additional infrastructure to run the event under Traffic light restrictions.

# "Red" Traffic Management Plan

In order to control who is entering the venue ALL traffic will be required to enter into the South Island Rowing Complex via Freda Du Faur Ave.

**Diagram 5: Entry into SIR Complex** 



START ZONE





