

# Waikawa Boating Club Policy - Covid-19



## Background

Covid-19 started in December 2019 in China and in January 2020 the Ministry of Health in New Zealand set up a team to monitor the situation. New Zealand reported its first case in February 2020 and in March 2020 the World Health Organisation declared a pandemic. Since that time, in New Zealand we have had several lock downs, moved through several alert levels, and are still presently in the Covid-19 Protection Framework (Traffic Light System). This policy was needed to have clarity for club management and our members and, as government policy has changed over time, so the policy has had to change.

## Effective 4 April 2022

### Overall

- There is no requirement for any staff, volunteer or member to be vaccinated to enter or use the club rooms and facilities or take part in activities.
- Any member, volunteer or staff member who becomes ill with any of the symptoms of Covid-19 or is required to be self-isolating must stay away from the premises until they have obtained a negative Covid-19 test or their period of isolation has expired.

### Wardroom/Bar/Restaurant/Kitchen

- All customer-facing staff and volunteers must wear a suitable and effective face covering ("mask") when customers are present.
- It is strongly recommended that everyone in the premises wear a mask unless seated in the wardroom.

### Moorings

- No changes to the current rules.
- You are still expected to raft up when requested, or you can request a raft up.
- Vaccination status or any Covid-19 level rules cannot be used as an excuse to refuse a raft up.
- Observe the Covid-19 recommendations of hand washing and social distancing. You may wish to wear a mask while in the rafting up process as closer contact may occur while tying lines.
- If you wish to socialize, please be aware of and apply the limits on gatherings.
- If you do not wish to raft up to others, then anchor. If you already have the mooring, then you may need to vacate it if called upon to raft up and you do not wish to do so.
- You are not able to use the Club moorings if you have any Covid-19 symptoms or are required to self-isolate.