



**PlayOn**   
*Keep New Zealand playing*

## Gatherings Policy

PlayOn events are a 'gathering' for the purposes of the Covid-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021 (**Framework**)<sup>1</sup>.

A gathering<sup>2</sup> is people mingling in a group (whether indoors or outdoors) and excludes anyone who is two meters away from the group. Examples applicable to PlayOn include:

1. gatherings to undertake voluntary or not-for-profit sporting, recreational, social, or cultural activities<sup>3</sup>;
2. a gathering to undertake community club activities<sup>4</sup>;
3. in some instances, they are held in an indoor area which is a defined space which has been obtained for the exclusive use of PlayOn gathering<sup>5</sup>,

### (Gathering).

Spectators are likely to form their own Gathering if they are over two meters from another Gathering (eg the Gathering carrying out the activity).

PlayOn's activities are a "permitted gatherings" as set out at clause 42 of the Framework as they are either an outdoor Gathering (with no capacity limits<sup>6</sup>) or for inside are a fixed capacity Gathering permitted pursuant to clause 47 of the Framework as the Gathering is the lesser of:

1. the fixed number of people (excluding workers) – listed in the Green, Orange or Red in the schedule to this Policy; or
2. the maximum number of people who could occupy the space if each person were to comply with the specified physical distancing rule,

as set out at **Schedule 1** to this Policy.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2021/0386/latest/LMS563461.html#LMS563460>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2021/0386/latest/LMS602811.html>

<sup>3</sup> clause 13(b)(i) Framework

<sup>4</sup> except activities that occur at the same time and place as services provided under a club licence under section 21 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 - clause 13(b)(ii) Framework

<sup>5</sup> clause 13(b)(v) Framework

<sup>6</sup> clause 47A Framework (comes into existence 5 April 2022)

## **No Vaccine Requirements and Vaxx Passports**

PlayOn has prepared this policy after careful consideration of the current Framework.

PlayOn is all inclusive where everyone is able to enjoy the activities. PlayOn will work with you to determine which activities you can participate in, so feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Utilising the guidelines in this policy will help you to feel comfortable you are working within the Framework.

## **Everyone's responsibilities at all colours of the Framework**

- Make sure you wash your hands and use hand sanitiser when you can.
- Stay at home if you have tested positive to Covid-19.
- Stay at home if you are sick or feel unwell and if you feel it necessary get tested for Covid-19.
- Stay away until you are better.
- Scan in or enter your details on the paper records.
- If you are at higher risk of severe illness from Covid-19 (eg if you have underlying health conditions or are elderly), please take the following additional precautions:
  - Consult with the PlayOn instructor/person in charge so they are aware of your situations.
  - Keep fit and healthy with diet, exercise and dance!
  - Work with your GP on your health conditions.
  - Face masks are not required outside or when the Gathering is the only one using the defined space. Please note that you are not required to wear a face covering when playing sports.

There are no 'workers'<sup>7</sup> for the purposes of the PlayOn Gatherings.

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<sup>7</sup> As no one is carrying out work in any capacity for that business or service (whether paid or unpaid) for the purposes of clause 5 of the Framework.

**Schedule 1** - PlayOn operates without vaccine certificates and adheres to the Traffic Light settings as set out in the following table.

Note face masks are not required in any case where attendees are exempt<sup>8</sup> and you do not need to wear a mask at a gathering when your gathering is the only one using the defined space and other people cannot mix with your guests.

|                   | <b>RED</b>   | <b>ORANGE</b>                                 | <b>GREEN</b>                                  |
|-------------------|--|---|---|
| Outdoor Gathering | No limitations or restrictions. <sup>9</sup>                                   | No limitations or restrictions. <sup>10</sup> | No limitations or restrictions. <sup>11</sup> |
| Gatherings inside | Up to 200 people if the area is greater than 400m <sup>2</sup> . <sup>12</sup> | No limitations or restrictions. <sup>13</sup> | No limitations or restrictions. <sup>14</sup> |

<sup>8</sup> Whether or not one is exempt is self-regulating and there is no requirement to produce any confirmation of any such exemption. You do not need to wear a face mask if you have a physical or mental health illness or condition or disability that makes wearing a face mask UNSUITABLE". Conditions are not defined but a non-exhaustive list of conditions that are found to make wearing a face covering unsuitable includes: shortness of breath, asthma, bronchitis, auditory processing disorder, stress, feelings of anxiety, deafness, wearing of glasses, PTSD, facial hair, nose bleeds, skin irritation..."

Further, no masks need to be worn when people are undertaking physical activity.

<sup>9</sup> clause 47A Framework (comes into existence 5 April 2022)

<sup>10</sup> clause 47A Framework (comes into existence 5 April 2022)

<sup>11</sup> clause 47A Framework (comes into existence 5 April 2022)

<sup>12</sup> Complying with the 1m distancing rule, Schedule 7, Part 2

<sup>13</sup> Complying with the 1m distancing rule, Schedule 6, Part 2

<sup>14</sup> Complying with the 1m distancing rule, Schedule 5, Part 2