

COVID-19 Protection Framework Plan (Traffic Light System)

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All Sections of this plan are non-negotiable. Non-compliance will result in immediate exclusion of the entire group from the regatta. No warnings.

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Red Protocols

The South Island Rowing (SIR) “Level 2” Plan applies in conjunction with vaccine passes. 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 are required to be fill out and submitted to covid@ruataniwha.co.nz by the deadline set for each regatta.

Information will be held by the Covid Logistics Manager (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 two months following the event. After two months all information will be deleted. Information will be only be shared in the circumstance of a COVID-19 outbreak in the local area or within participants at the event.

A summary of the special conditions for “Red” follows on pages 2 -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. <https://ruataniwha.co.nz/index.php/training/>

Protocols for the camp will be communicated to attendees based on the traffic light colour 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 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.

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 medical officer would take control of the regatta.	027434764
Peter Midgley, Alex Meates, Logan Keys, Tim Babbage	COVID Committee	Responsible for Communication 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			
TBC	Chief Umpire (Regatta)	Volunteer recruitment, & management	TBC
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

Summary of Protocols/Special Conditions for “Red”

1. Gatherings

Entrants will be required to submit their squads on Rowit 3 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.

2. Zones

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

ROADWAYS THAT GO THROUGH ZONES ARE NOT CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE ZONE AND NEED TO BE ACCESSIBLE FOR EMERGENCIES. NO EQUIPMENT SHALL BE STORED ON ROADWAYS AND NO ONE SHALL MINGLE ON ROADWAYS.

Diagram 1: Example Small Zone Layout

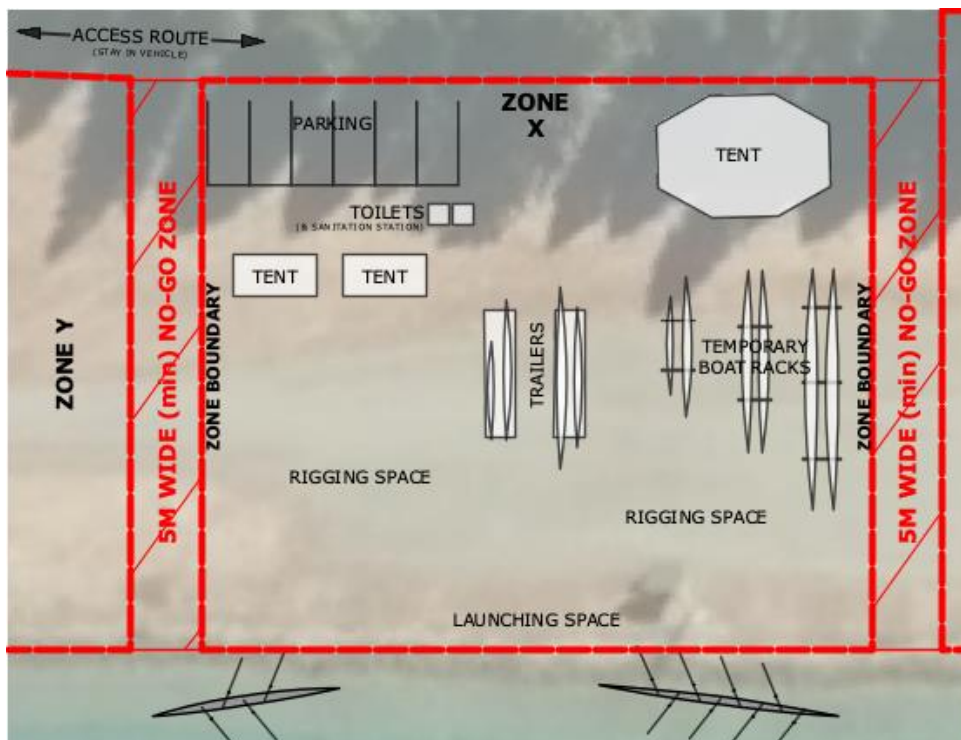
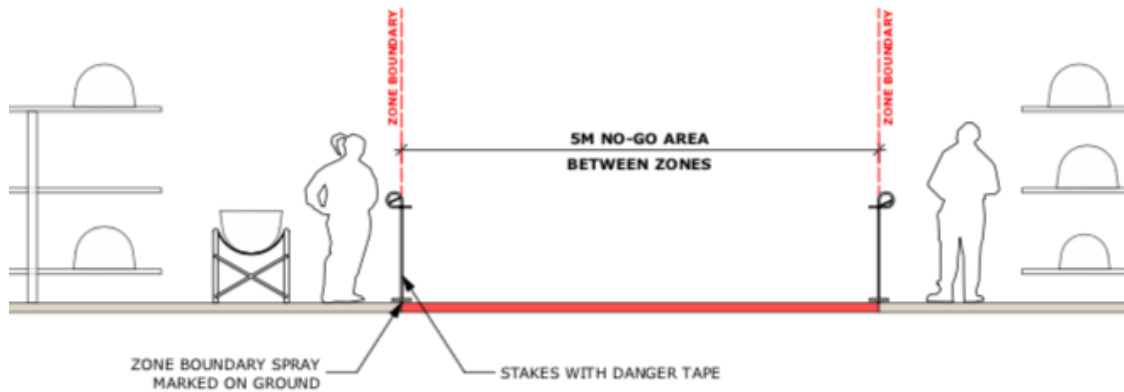


Diagram 2: Separation Between Zones



3. ZONE ALLOCATIONS

ZONE	TEAMS	AMENITIES	EST. SIZE
Zone 1		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 2		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 3		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 4		½ Boat Park Toilets	
Zone 5		½ Boat Park Toilets	
Zone 6		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 7		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 8		½ Car Park Toilets	
Zone 9		½ Car Park Toilets	
Zone 10		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 11		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 12		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 13		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 14		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 15		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 16		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 17		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 18		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 19		2 X Portaloos	
Zone 20		2 X Portaloos	

Note: ALL toilet facilities are considered Uni-sex

4. Team COVID Officer

Each team (entrant) to assign a Team Covid Officer (CO). The nominated 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

This person will be in charge of:

- Ensuring the numbers within your zone stay well below the allowed limit of 100 people.
- 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).

A Covid induction must be completed with each Team Covid Officer prior to their team being allowed access to the site.

5. Site access

a) 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.

b) Site Access During the Event

Participants will be directed to their zone via Access A, B, C or Start area. 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.

Groups are expected to arrive with masks on, so gate staff are also able to ensure everyone entering the venue has a mask.

All participants will also be issued a wrist band once their vaccine pass is verified. BOTH a wrist band (for proof of vaccination) & a lanyard (to ensure gathering limits of 100 are maintained) will be required for entry.

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.

c) Trailer Exit:

Subject to all equipment and people within a zone is on the town side of the road. Zone ropes will be dropped and trailers will be allowed to exit via the main paved road. This will not occur any earlier than 30min after the last race.

6. 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 appropriate Zone Access (refer to the traffic management plan at the end of this document).

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

The consequence of non-compliance may be exclusion from the regatta and potentially full venue shut down and regatta shut down.

7. Contact Tracing

Each Team Covid Health Officer will be responsible for filling in the event attendee register form for their club and sending 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 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.

8. 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 toilet, 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.

9. 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. Groups should also bring their own sanitisers and sprays to maintain a high level of hygiene in their areas.

10. Lane Numbers

Lane Numbers will be dropped into each zone prior to racing each day.

Groups are to leave their lane numbers in their numbers box on the road in the middle of the road at the conclusion of racing each day so that lane numbers can be re-sorted and redistributed for the next day's racing.

11. Water

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

12. Rubbish

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

13. First Aid

- Call Dr. Gardiner – 0274347464 –

First Aid will be provided in the First Aid Room under the Control Building; however, we request that the Team Covid 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 at threat) 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 **call 111 immediately**, then contact Dr. Gardiner. In such cases the priority is the patient. Gathering sizes will still be maintained under 100 if the patient must transit between zones.

14. 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 Officer of the Regatta, Boat Park Manager & Covid Logistics Manager can be contacted via the details listed below.
- The CLM may also post generic Covid protocol related material to the SIR Facebook Page and SIR Website.

Regatta related details such as weather 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.

15. 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 and should come prepared to store boats on trailers or bring a supply of low trestles to support boats.

Teams will be allocated and 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 de-rigging between days etc.

16. Tent Sites

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

17. 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.

18. Cycling

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

19. 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.

Where the integrity of zones can be maintained there may be surveillance checking of weights from time to time, and weights may be published.

20. Medal Presentations

Medals will be presented at the normal dais area. Zone 7 will be a "presentation zone".

- Crews will be required to row into the normal dais area.
- Medal winning crews are to wait for the umpire boat to marshal them into the dais area, waiting for the previous medal winning crews to leave the area.
- Crews shall put on their masks before leaving their boat, with one crew to disembark their boat at a time.
- Crews are not to engage physically with other crews.
- The named coach (on the Rowit entry form) and one additional support person may attend the medal ceremony. Coaches/support are to drive to Zone 7 and only engage with their own crew with masks on.
- The additional support person allows teams to manage their own recovery protocols and/or and urgent crew change overs.
- 1st Place will be able to wait behind the dais.
- 2nd Place will wait to the east of the dais on the grass.
- 3rd Place will wait to the west of the dais on the grass.
- Crews will be asked to come onto the dais one at a time by the MC.

- Medals, winners t-shirts and trophies will be delivered contactless to the front of the dais for coaches to present to their own crew.
- A plastic screen will separate 1st place from 2nd & 3rd place on the dais.

21. Spectators

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

22. Coffee, food & Refreshments

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

23. Entries & Composites

A “squad lock” date will be advertised on Rowit, this will be earlier than the normal entry close date, and allows the organising committee to assign zones prior to the event. All future entries MUST come from the locked squads.

24. 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

25. Zone Access

In order to manage traffic flows in the venue, groups will enter the venue via their zones allocated entry:

Zones 1-6: Access A (Max Smith Drive)

Zones 7-12: Access B (Kate Cameron Drive)

Zones 13-18: Access C (Freda Du Faur Avenue)

Zones 19-20: Start (Morrison Terrace)

Refer to the SIR “Zone Map”

26. On-water Traffic Flow

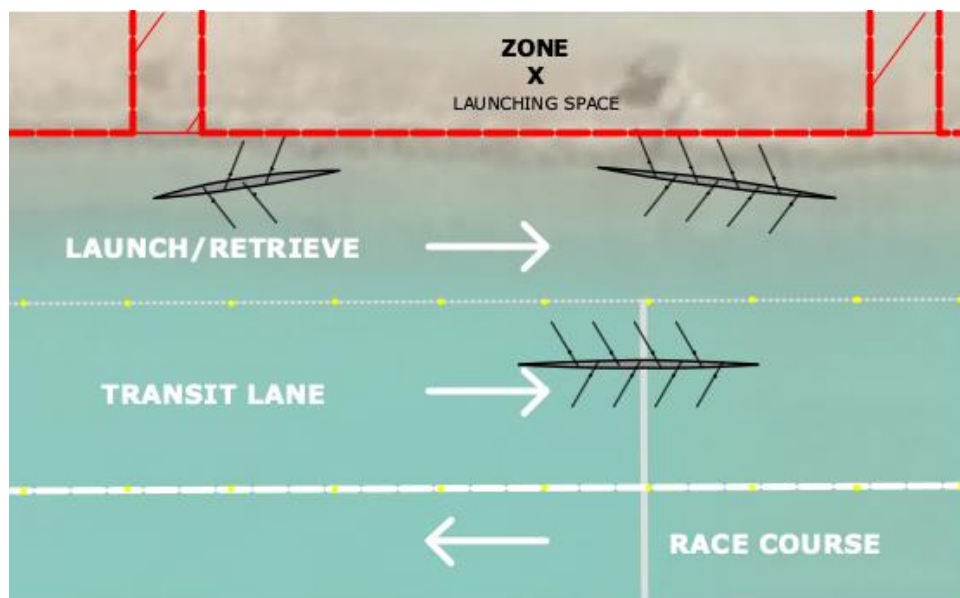
All crews are to proceed to the Start using Lane 0. Lane 0 is for launch/retrieval only. The first fully buoyed lane is for transit to the start only up to the 1000m, at this point crews can follow the normal traffic pattern in the bay. Racing will take place using the 2nd to 9th buoyed lanes.

Lane 0: launch/retrieve

First buoyed lane: transit to start (to the 1000m mark)

2nd – 9th Buoyed Lanes: racing

Diagram 4: Traffic flow to start



Refer to the SIR “Traffic Plan | The Bay and Start Zone”