

Special Olympics Club Events – Covid Protection Framework | **Orange**

Vaccine passes

- A large percentage of New Zealanders are already vaccinated and SONZ recommendation is for all athletes and volunteers to be vaccinated for club trainings and events, but this is no longer a SONZ requirement under the Orange setting.
- Clubs should continue to manage their own training environments as they see fit. In addition, if any venues are proceeding with their own vaccine pass requirements, these will need to be adhered to

Events

- Indoor and outdoor sport events can go ahead at Orange. This includes all community sport.
- Indoor and outdoor recreation facilities can open to the public. This includes gyms, playgrounds, and outdoor exercise classes.
- There are no capacity limits indoors or outdoors.

Venue requirements

- Some venues will have their own specific parameters or requirements around capacity numbers or other measures. Event Managers will need to work with them directly to understand any implications for their event.

Masks

- You do not need to wear a face mask outdoors, at a sporting or recreation event, when you are exercising, or playing sport
- At Orange, you are encouraged to wear a face mask in public indoor settings wherever it is practical.

Covid co-ordinator

- MOH and Sport NZ have advised that every event requires a designated Covid co-ordinator, in the case that the event becomes a location of interest. This person may be required to assist with contact tracing efforts and be the single point of contact with the Ministry of Health.
- When planning your event, consider factors such as how you would notify participants if the event became a location of interest.
- SONZ recommend the covid co-ordinator be a separate role to the event manager (where possible)

General covid measures

- Event Managers should plan for and implement a range of covid health measures to run as safe an event as possible i.e., people staying home if they're unwell, high hygiene standards, using signage and announcements to communicate expectations, requiring everyone to scan in or having some other record of attendance.