

Seafood New Zealand

COVID-19

Update 19

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Seafood New Zealand is continuing discussions at the highest level with the Ministry for Primary Industries. We will continue to notify you as and when conditions or decisions change.

Guidance for alert level 3

Seafood New Zealand, in conjunction with Aquaculture New Zealand, have updated its guidance for the seafood industry at alert level 3 to ensure it aligns with the latest information from MPI.

All changes have been highlighted for your convenience. The updated guide can be [found here](#).

Re-opening or making changes to a food business in alert level 3

The Ministry for Primary Industries have developed an easy way for food businesses who are re-opening or wanting to make changes to their business (e.g. including home delivery), to get up and running in alert level 3.

This includes food businesses operating under the Food Act (2014) or the Animal Products Act (1999).

Further information can be [found here](#).

Maritime New Zealand update #26

The Ministry of Health has issued a further [border advisory](#). A copy is [attached](#) for ease of reference.

This Border Advisory includes the following information:

- Update on the current situation - update on numbers
- New Zealand COVID-19 Alert Level - note move to level 3
- Current border measures - note Health Act order has been renewed
- Entry and exit screening at international airports – no change
- Exemptions to managed isolation – new information
- Advice to persons transiting through New Zealand to another country – new information
- Advice for air and marine crew – no change
- Yachts and pleasure craft – new information

Please note the additional maritime information

A plethora of information has been issued this week following the Prime Minister's transition to Alert Level 3 announcement on Monday last. For many, this may distil to a core question of "Can I operate?". Please note that Maritime NZ does not authorise operations at alert level 3 but may be able to inform your decision. Our Maritime Officers regionally are available to discuss this question, to assist where they can. Guidance will be published on our website to help inform but is found in the attached document "Operating at alert level 3".

Lest we forget - A personal observation

ANZAC Day commemorations will be different this year. Many know that I am a former military mariner so in lieu of poppies I share the attached image of a hanging quilt made by my wife to commemorate ANZAC Day 2015. The quilt is entitled "For those in peril on the sea" showing symbolic poppies across the sea. Across the world casualties are to be found in today's war against the pandemic virus, yet we remain - as before, reliant on our maritime industry to transport the goods we need to sustain our lives. Kia kaha – lest we forget.

Tomorrow is also [international day of the seafarer](#), which resonates with the observation above.

Stay safe – unite against COVID19

Ngā mihi nui | Kind regards,

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Nō te rere moana Aotearoa

Key contacts

Subsidies and assistance

The government has implemented a number of support packages for businesses to help get through the COVID-19 crisis, including wage subsidies. Information on support packages for businesses, including wage subsidies can be [found here](#).

The wage subsidy application form can be [found here](#).

Ministry for Primary Industries

Operators looking to register as an essential service or with essential service-related queries must contact MPI directly:

Ph: 0800 00 83 33

Email: info@mpi.govt.nz

Maritime New Zealand

For any maritime questions or concerns, please contact the MNZ COVID-19 response team:

Email: MNZCovid-19@maritimenz.govt.nz

FishServe

FishServe is operating as normal, with a helpline available for all FishServe-related queries. You can also fill out their [online form](#).

Ph: 04 460 9555

Email: helpline@fishserve.co.nz

Seafood New Zealand

The latest COVID-19 updates and resources can be found on Seafood New Zealand's industry website. For further enquiries contact us on:

Ph: 04 385 4005

Email: info@seafood.org.nz



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