

COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights) – Marae guidance

This guidance outlines the minimum constraints on gatherings held at marae under the different colours of the COVID-19 Protection Framework. The decision on whether to allow gatherings at all rests with the leadership of the marae. If gatherings are permitted, decisions will also need to be made on whether those who are unvaccinated will be able to use marae or attend gatherings. Marae are free and encouraged to consider what approach to take for each gathering and/or what additional measures they may want to put in place given their own tikanga and kawa, e.g. marae committees may apply a vaccine requirement to all gatherings, or hold tangihanga primarily online with only whanau pani attending in person.

Detailed guidance on public health restrictions under the COVID-19 Protection Framework can be found at Covid19.govt.nz/alert-levels-and-updates/covid-19-protection-framework.

For most gatherings you will need to choose whether you will use My Vaccine Pass and the NZ Pass Verifier app to ensure only vaccinated people are in attendance, or whether you will allow unvaccinated people to attend. This will change the restrictions for your gathering based on the colour setting. Everyone present (including whanau pani and ringawera) must be vaccinated for gatherings to run under vaccine pass rules.

Unexpected gatherings, like tangihanga, can be run with both vaccinated and unvaccinated groups if that is the decision of the leadership of the marae - though they must attend in separate sessions, with restrictions reflecting the vaccine status of each group, and there needs to be cleaning in line with public health guidance between groups.

	General settings:	With My Vaccine Pass the following applies:	If My Vaccine Pass is not used, restrictions apply (either permanently or intermittently):
GREEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record keeping and/or tracer app scanning required No restrictions on kai service – options like takeaway lunches or outside dining may be considered for unvaccinated groups Rules around face coverings to be determined by marae 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limits on attendance <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limits on attendance 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If marae allow then groups of up to 100 unvaccinated people can attend but must be in a separate session from fully vaccinated groups and be followed by cleaning using public health guidelines <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 100 attendees
ORANGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record keeping and/or tracer app scanning required No restrictions on kai service – options like takeaway lunches or outside dining may be considered for unvaccinated groups If you are serving or handling kai, you must wear a face covering People working or volunteering must wear a face covering Other rules around face coverings to be determined by marae 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limits on attendance <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No limits on attendance 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If marae allow then groups of up to 50 unvaccinated people can attend but must be in a separate session from fully vaccinated groups and be followed by cleaning using public health guidelines <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 50 attendees
RED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record keeping and/or tracer app scanning required No restrictions on kai service – options like takeaway lunches or outside dining may be considered for unvaccinated groups If you are serving or handling kai, you must wear a face covering People working or volunteering must wear a face covering Other rules around face coverings to be determined by marae 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 100 vaccinated people on marae at any one time (incl. whanau pani and ringawera etc.) Multiple groups of up to 100 people can come through the marae as long as the previous group have left the marae complex and cleaning has been carried out using public health guidelines <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 100 attendees 	<p>Unexpected gatherings (e.g. tangihanga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If marae allow then groups of up to 25 unvaccinated people can attend but must be in a separate session from fully vaccinated groups and be followed by cleaning using public health guidelines <p>Planned gatherings (e.g. wānanga, unveilings)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 25 attendees