



GOVERNMENT OF THE COOK ISLANDS

Office of the Prime Minister

MINISTERIAL ORDER

Section 8 of the COVID-19 ACT 2020

Dated: 31 March 2022

It is ordered that:

Indoor and Outdoor Events and Social Gatherings

1. All events and social gatherings, whether in a private or public setting, organised or spontaneous, are restricted to a maximum of **50 people** for indoor events or gatherings and **100 people** for outdoor events or gatherings unless an exemption has been obtained from the Secretary of Health (or delegate).
2. This includes (but is not limited to) parties; fundraisers; team sports training and games; sporting events; funerals; weddings; live shows; the cinema; night clubs and family land meetings.
3. This does not include a gathering for the purpose of business or service –
 - a. at an office workplace; or
 - b. as part of ordinary retail operations; or
 - c. at a hearing of a court or tribunal; or
 - d. churches, cafes, restaurants and bars; or
 - e. as part of ordinary operations at an education entity.

Contact Sports

4. Individual players may only participate in contact sports, whether in a public or private setting, training or match play, if they return a negative result from a Rapid Antigen Test conducted on the day of the training or match.
5. The following individuals are exempted from the requirement to undergo testing prior to training or match play of contact sports:
 - a. Players who have been issued with a valid green COVID-19 Freedom Card by TMO because they have recently recovered from a COVID-19 infection.

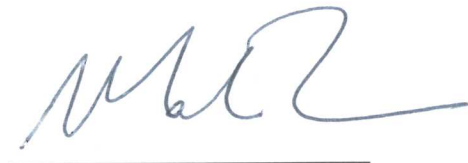
contact sports means any sport that involves the participants coming into bodily contact with one another as an accepted part of play.

Pa Enuu Travel

6. Air and sea travel from Rarotonga to the Pa Enuu (other than Aitutaki) is restricted to pilots and crew for the purpose of transporting cargo from Rarotonga to the Pa Enuu, and/or transporting passengers and cargo from the Pa Enuu to Rarotonga, unless an exemption has been obtained from the Secretary of Health (or delegate).

This order comes into force at 12.01am on 1 April 2022.

This order will remain in force until 11.59pm on 15 April 2022.



Hon. Mark Brown
Prime Minister

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