

We must recognise that some valued members of our patrols are vulnerable and the Patrol is required to consider this and make appropriate decisions.

Each Patrol must do 'everything they can and more' to keep themselves safe.

Patrollers are not required to patrol, it is up to them to do so if they wish.

If your patrol cannot meet the requirements documented below, then you MUST remain stood down from patrolling during COVID Alert Level 2.

COVID 19 Level 2 Patrolling Requirements:

- **Patrolling should be 2 up. No ride alongs, observer shifts or 3rd person training (to minimise contact requirements)**
- **People at higher risk of severe illness from Covid-19 (e.g. those with underlying medical conditions especially if not well controlled) should not be involved in any patrols unless the patrol leader is completely satisfied that they can do so safely. For information see:**
<https://covid19.govt.nz/individuals-and-households/health-and-wellbeing/at-risk-people/>
- **Before a patroller is able to return to patrolling after lockdown, the patrol leader should ask them the following questions, and ask them to take responsibility for not undertaking any patrolling in the future if they answer “yes” to any of the following questions:**
 1. **Do you have any of the following:**
 - **Fever**
 - **Cough**
 - **Sore throat**
 - **Shortness of breath**
 2. **Have you been in close contact with anyone unwell with any of the above symptoms over the last 14 days: or are you aware of any situation in which you may have been exposed to COVID-19?**
 3. **Have you or anyone in your household returned from overseas in the last 14 days?**
 4. **Are you or any close contacts waiting on test results for COVID-19?**
- **In order to meet the requirements of contact tracing -**
 - **Formal records of who patrols and when (patrol roster) must be kept by the patrol**
 - **Each patroller patrolling, MUST keep a record of all other contacts they have outside of patrolling.**
 - **You are encouraged, where possible, to roster the same 2 patrollers together throughout Alert Level 2.**
 - **Patrollers must keep their distance from people they don't know in public (ideally 2 meters).**
- **As always, Hi viz vests or jackets are to be worn at all times when patrolling.**
- **If Hi viz vests or jackets are a shared patrol resource, then these must be laundered after each use/patrol.**

- **Persons finishing the patrol and the persons commencing the patrol are both responsible for wiping all interior surfaces, and exterior door handles of the patrol vehicle and any shared equipment such as radios, torches, keys and kit. Patrol leaders are responsible for ensuring disinfectant wipes are in the patrol vehicle.**
- **Good hygiene measures such as sneeze and cough etiquette must be maintained.**
- **Hand-washing protocols or use of hand sanitizer to be followed for washing your hands before a patrol and before you have any contact with anyone back in your bubble.**
- **Where a Patrol requires the collection of vehicle keys from somewhere other than a central location, the patrol should establish the best method of safely accessing patrol vehicle keys including sanitization**
- **Where a patrol normally has access to a Police station before patrolling, to gain vehicle keys or equipment, please work with your PLO/ Station Officer with regards to the acceptable access to your Police Station.**