

Waitangi Tribunal COVID-19 Level 4 protocol Effective as at 11:59pm, 17 August 2021

1. This protocol has been set in light of the announcement made by the Prime Minister that, as at 11:59pm on 17 August 2021, New Zealand will move to Level 4 of the Covid-19 Alert System.
2. At Level 4 of the Alert System, people are instructed to stay at home and travel is strictly limited.
3. As a result of this announcement all currently scheduled Waitangi Tribunal hearings and other events are adjourned while the country is at Level 4. All hearings and other events will be rescheduled once we have ceased to be at Level 4.
4. If there is any application filed with the Tribunal seeking urgent action during this period, it is to be directed to me to address.
5. In terms of any filing with the Waitangi Tribunal during this period, the following rules shall apply:
 - During the continuation of the Level 4 alert all filing of documents with the Tribunal is to be electronic. If a party does not have the ability to file electronically, mail will still be periodically checked. Because of hygiene requirements there will however be a delay in processing documents received by mail.
 - No documents will be received for filing in person by the Waitangi Tribunal registry.
 - All electronic filing is to be to the following address: WT.Registrar@justice.govt.nz
 - All filing by mail to this address: Waitangi Tribunal
DX: SX 11237
Wellington
 - If any party wishes to contact the Tribunal regarding an urgent matter, that is also the address to use.

Chairperson Wilson Isaac

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