



COVID-19: Rugby League Participation at Alert Level 2

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While the New Zealand Government's announcement on guidelines for COVID-19 Alert Level 2, for if and when it is announced that the country will move to this level, is a positive step NZRL remains vigilant in the fight against the global pandemic with the health and safety of our communities remaining the number one priority.

As it stands we are still in COVID-19 Alert Level 3, therefore all rugby league activity (training or playing) remains suspended until further notice.

Under COVID-19 Alert Level 2, sporting activity can re-commence but only if strict public health and hygiene measures are in place.

NZRL, like other codes, will take the time to prepare and ensure all measures and systems are in place for a safe and structured return to play for our communities, when appropriate.

It is crucial we take the time to get this right, so New Zealand's hard work is not at risk of being undone, and our communities feel safe and secure to play our game again.

NZRL will provide further information in due course regarding what rugby league looks like at Alert Level 2 as well as return to play timelines.

What is absolutely clear is that will not be immediately following any announcement by the Government to move to Alert Level 2.

We thank you all for your patience and understanding during this time.