

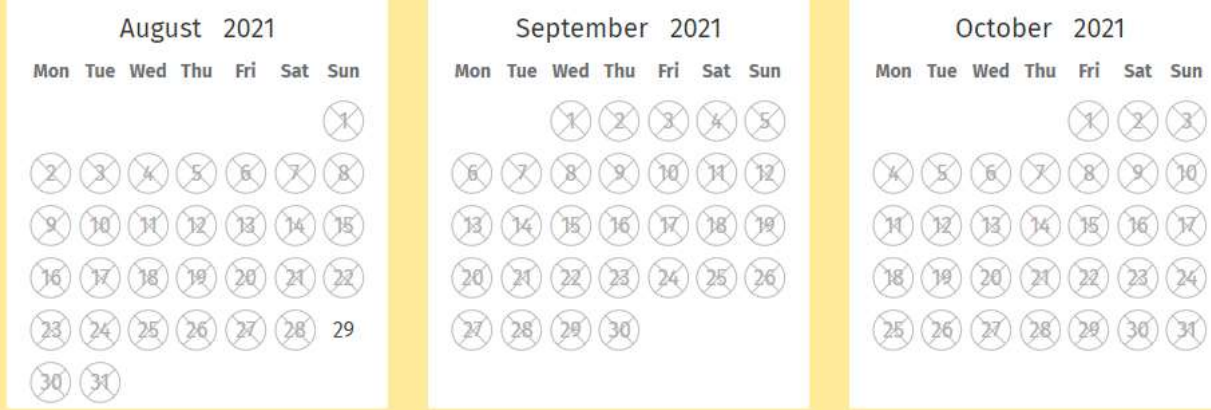
International Travel Assessment Form

2021 MTB World Championships

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Event Name	MTB World World Championships
Date of Event	25-29 August 2021
Location of Event including Country	Val di Sole, Italy
Event Website	https://www.valdisolebikeland.com/en/uci-mountain-bike-world-champs-2021/
Names of athletes, support staff travelling	
Travel itinerary Include any stopovers	Will vary depending on where riders are coming from and will be included in each individuals plan
Current NZ COVID Alert Level and NZ government travel recommendations	<p>NZ is at alert level 1</p> <p>New Zealanders are advised not to travel overseas at this time. The New Zealand Government has raised its travel advice to “do not travel” — the highest level — regardless of destination.</p> <p>The current travel bubble with Australia is on hold, which highlights how quickly situations can change.</p>
Return to New Zealand requirements and costs and who will be funding? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MIQ voucher - https://allocation.miq.govt.nz/portal/ • Pre-departure testing requirements • Who will cover the costs? • Training options in room? • https://covid19.govt.nz/travel-and-the-border/travel- 	<p>All travellers to New Zealand (excluding those from Antarctica, Australia and most Pacific Islands) must show evidence of a negative COVID-19 test result before departure. This is for all countries as at 25th January 2021.</p> <p>MIQ charges are still \$3100 per person.</p> <p>All travellers entering NZ are also required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a managed isolation voucher, secured via the new allocation system. If you do not hold a voucher, you will be refused boarding. • go into ‘managed isolation’ in a government-provided facility (hotel), or • if you have COVID-19 symptoms, go into a quarantine facility (separate hotel). • You will need to stay there for at least 14 days. This will prevent any further unmanaged COVID-19 infection coming into New Zealand. You can’t self-isolate at home or take a domestic flight before the 14-day period is completed. • Provide a pre-departure test – within 72 hours of departure – A positive test result means you may not be able to travel. If you test

<p>to-new-zealand/pre-departure-testing-for-arrivals-into-new-zealand/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> internationaltravel@sportnz.org.nz https://covid19.govt.nz/travel-and-the-border/travel-to-new-zealand/pre-departure-testing-for-arrivals-into-new-zealand/what-to-do-before-you-travel-pre-departure-testing/ 	<p>positive, you may not be able to board your flight. You should postpone your travel and follow local public health advice. If you choose to travel at a later date when you have recovered, you will be required to get a medical certificate within 72 hours from the time of departure that confirms that you had a positive COVID-19 test but have now recovered.</p> <p>There are limited MIQ spots available, however they are released periodically so may become available. Information from Sport NZ June update:</p> <p><i>“Currently bookings can be made as far out as 30 October 2021, and MIQ’s intention is to release vouchers up to six months in advance. MIQ vouchers for dates are released on a periodic basis and availability is constantly changing, so if your preferred date of travel is not available then keep checking. However, we highly recommend that you also have flexibility around your travel dates. As an example of this, while dates for September and October may show in MIAS as unavailable, it is our understanding that less than 50% of vouchers have been released for these months and the remainder will be continue to be released.”</i></p>
<p>As at 29 June — https://allocation.miq.govt.nz/portal/</p>	
	
<p>Significance/Importance of this travel?</p> <p>Olympic Qualifications etc.?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MTB World Championships are the pinnacle event on the calendar. The World Championships are important for CNZ to meet High Performance and Development Targets and gain points in the qualification process for the Commonwealth and Olympic Games.
<p>Travel Information and Insurance</p>	
<p>In-flight requirements of airline and/or government (e.g., face masks, physical distancing, sanitation etc.)</p>	<p><u>Air NZ</u> - All passengers are required to wear a face-covering prior to reaching the boarding gate and on all Air New Zealand operated flights. Passengers are welcome to wear their own face-covering and we will continue to make masks available.</p> <p>High touch surfaces will be cleaned regularly, and we are taking extra steps to ensure all our aircraft, lounges and airports are frequently cleaned. Hand sanitiser will be readily available.</p> <p>Physical distancing is still recommended at the airport and while boarding at Alert Level 1. Where possible we will allocate additional space to support physical distancing on board</p>

	<p>Our food & beverage service is back to normal. Please wear a mask or face covering while you're not enjoying a drink or bite to eat.</p> <p>https://www.airnewzealand.co.nz/covid19#care</p> <p><i>Other airlines will need to be reviewed depending on airlines available to travel to Slovenia. Athletes would be advised to wear a mask and carry out their own sanitization of their seats should they travel. This would be covered in their safety plan</i></p>
<p>Travel and health insurance status and what has been put in place.</p> <p>What will this cover? e.g., if there is an outbreak and local quarantine is required, hospitalization, intensive care support and potential relocation? COVID infection risk after travel with COVID positive person(s) and therefore required to isolate with no training options</p>	<p>Insurance for each rider will be known when they complete their safety plan. The rider will need to acknowledge that any shortfalls from the insurance with regards to disruption, medical cover etc. will need to be personally covered by the rider</p> <p>Chubb – Declared “foreseen circumstance”</p> <p>There is no cover for trip cancellation or disruption if the policy was purchased after the customer became aware of circumstances which could lead to the cancellation or disruption of the trip (a “foreseen circumstance”). It is important that the customer considers this prior to the purchase of any new travel insurance or new travel arrangements for an existing travel policy with Chubb.</p> <p>Chubb considers COVID-19 to be a “foreseen circumstance” for policies that are issued and/or travel arrangements under an existing policy that are paid for after the following dates for travel to, from or within the following areas:</p> <p>5:00 pm (NZDT) on 22 January 2020 for Hubei province, China; 9:00 am (NZDT) on 2 February 2020 for mainland China; and 4:00 pm (NZDT) on 2 March 2020 for all other destinations outside New Zealand.</p> <p>Therefore, where a policy was issued and/or travel arrangements are paid for after the above dates, COVID-19 is considered a “foreseen circumstance” and as such claims for trip cancellation or disruption are unlikely to be covered by the policy. As such, please ensure that you or your client consider this prior to making any travel arrangements or purchasing a policy.</p>
<p>Accommodation at event and in transit (if applicable)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers per room • Cooking facilities? • Laundry facilities • Location in proximity to event venue 	<p>Unknown at this stage until plans are completed by individuals</p>
<p>Testing requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a requirement 	<p>https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto</p>

<p>for pre-departure testing?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the testing requirements on arrival? (e.g. rapid diagnostic testing, temperature or medical checks) 	<p>There are different specifications depending on origin. For New Zealand until 30 July 2021:</p> <p>The legislation provides that, upon re-entry into Italy, those who have stayed or transited in the fourteen days preceding entry into Italy in one or more of the countries and territories referred to in List D of Annex 20 are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • present the COVID-19 Green Certificate issued in accordance with Decree-Law No. 52 of 22 April 2021 and EU Regulations 2021/953 and 2021/954 (EU Digital Covid Certificate Regulations) showing: • that you have completed the prescribed anti-SARS-CoV-2 vaccination cycle at least 14 days ago • that you have recovered from COVID-19 (the certificate of recovery is valid for 180 days from the date of the first positive swab) • that you have taken a negative molecular or antigen swab test in the 48 hours prior to entering Italy. Children under 6 years of age are exempt from the pre-departure swab test. • fill in the Digital Passenger Locator Form before entering Italy. The form replaces the self-declaration made to the transport operator.
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COVID Information at Destination and transit locations

Local COVID-19 epidemiology at both destination and transit locations

<https://ourworldindata.org/policy-responses-covid#international-travel-controls>

<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/>

Italy

Confirmed Cases – 4,258,456
Deaths – 127,500
Daily new cases – 700-1200

Italy has seen a steady decline in daily cases since March, but was significantly impacted by COVID with a peak of 35,000 new cases per day in November 2020. Hospitals were significantly impacted during this time, however this is improving now with the reduction in cases.

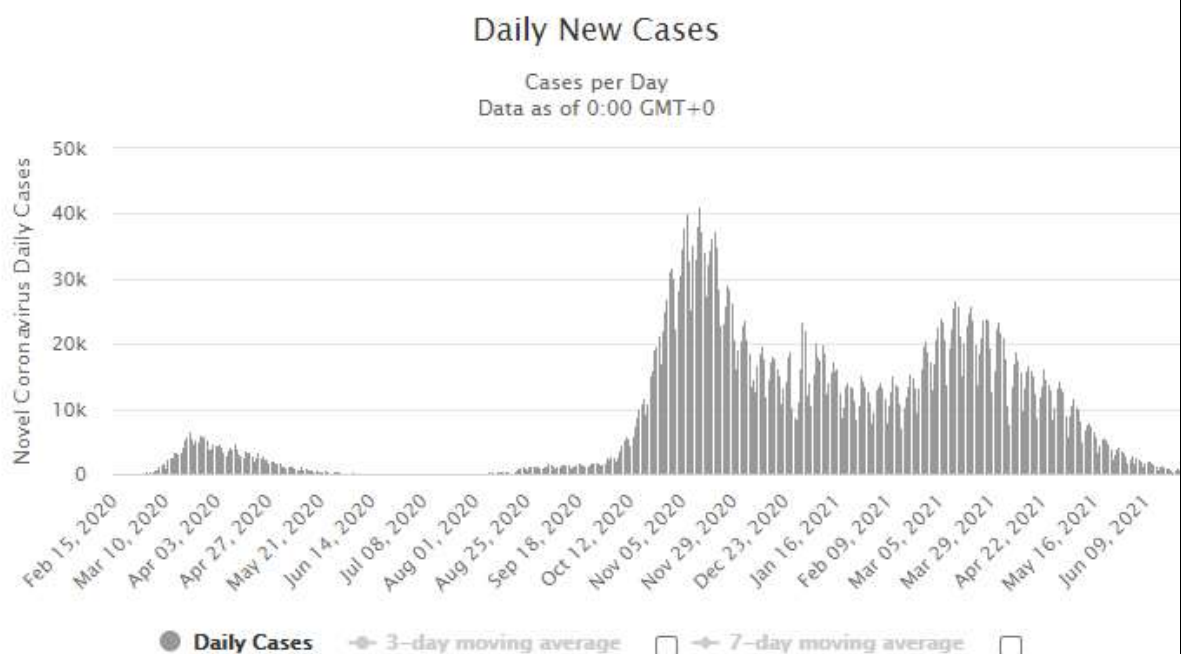
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<https://www.who.int/countries>

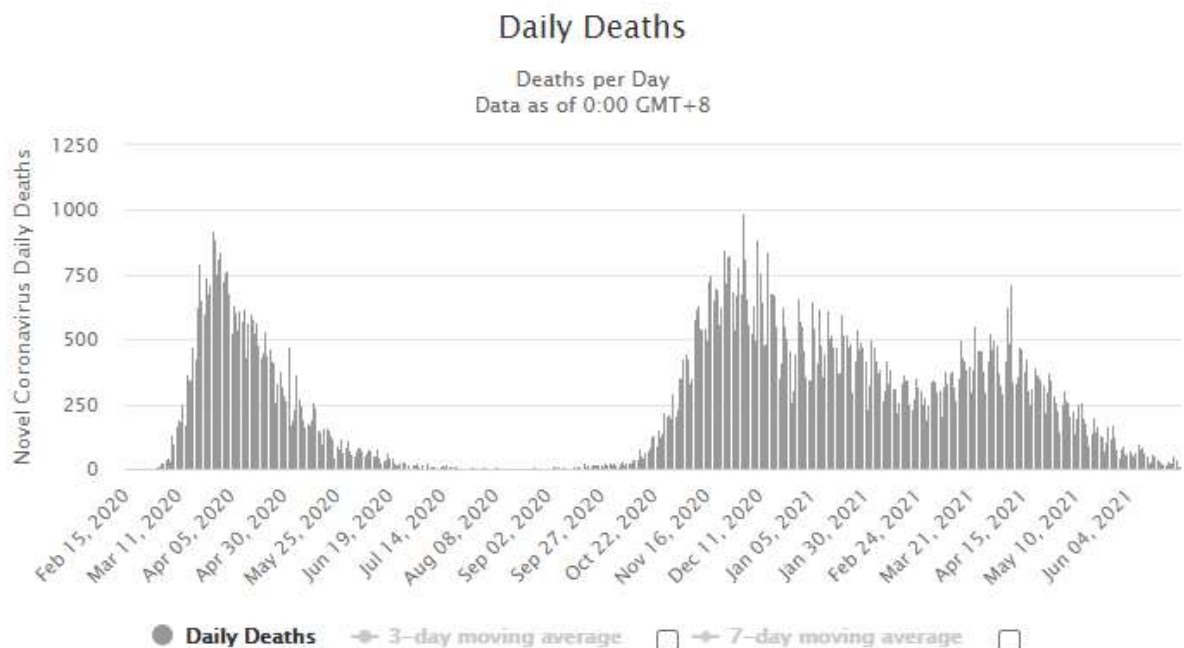
<https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/travel-advisories-destination>

<https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/world.php>

Daily New Cases in Italy



Daily New Deaths in Italy



MIQ requirements at destination – Key point here is ‘which country are you coming from’ and entering which country

- Which country are they travelling from and entering which country
- Number of days?
- Impact on training or details of what will be available?
- Costs?

MIQ requirements are based on the location of origin full list and requirements can be found here:

<https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto>

For NZ

<https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=italiano&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto&tab=4>

Entry Restrictions

Under Italian law, travel to and from these countries is permitted without the need for a specific reason (subject to the limitations set out in Italy at regional level). The removal of travel restrictions from Italy to some countries does not exclude that these countries may still impose entry restrictions.

There are certain restrictions on entry into Italy in the case of transit or residence in List E countries, during the 14 days prior to entry into Italy.

Compliance

The legislation provides that, upon re-entry into Italy, those who have stayed or transited in the fourteen days preceding entry into Italy in one or more of the countries and territories referred to in List D of Annex 20 are required to:

present the COVID-19 Green Certificate issued in accordance with Decree-Law No. 52 of 22 April 2021 and EU Regulations 2021/953 and 2021/954 (EU Digital Covid Certificate Regulations) showing:

	<p>that you have completed the prescribed anti-SARS-CoV-2 vaccination cycle at least 14 days ago</p> <p>that you have recovered from COVID-19 (the certificate of recovery is valid for 180 days from the date of the first positive swab)</p> <p>that you have taken a negative molecular or antigen swab test in the 48 hours prior to entering Italy. Children under 6 years of age are exempt from the pre-departure swab test.</p> <p>fill in the Digital Passenger Locator Form before entering Italy. The form replaces the self-declaration made to the transport operator.</p> <p>The certification of successful completion of the vaccination cycle must relate to one of the four vaccines approved by the European Medicines Agency: Comirnaty from Pfizer-BioNtech, Moderna, Vaxzevria, Jansen (Johnson & Johnson).</p> <p>Certificates must be submitted in one of the following languages: Italian, English, French or Spanish.</p> <p>Validity of regulations</p> <p>The provisions remain in force until July 30, 2021.</p>
Contract Tracing requirements	<p>https://www.immuni.italia.it/ - available in english</p>
Public gathering restrictions and stay-at-home requirements at the destination	<p>AS OF 28 JUNE 2021, ALL OF ITALY WILL BE IN THE "WHITE" ZONE</p> <p>The only rules that still have to be observed are: maintain a safe distance and avoid crowds.</p> <p>It will no longer mandatory to wear masks outdoors, but you must always carry one with you and wear it if it is not possible to maintain the safety distance. Masks must still be worn in indoor public places such as bars, restaurants, museums and public transport.</p> <p>https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5367&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto</p>
Internal movement restrictions at destination and transit locations. Public transport etc.	<p>Public transport is operating but masks are required and only 50% capacity</p>
Specific health support (including COVID-19 and emergency non-COVID-19 care) availability at destination. Information on current status of hospitals and health care facilities. How will this be paid for? Insurance or other funding?	<p>The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak caused massive troubles in Italy. The resilience of the Italian healthcare system and the limited capacity of hospitals were among the most challenging issues facing authorities. As the graph shows, the spread of the virus put hospitals and medical staff under a lot of pressure. At its peak, the number of COVID-19 patients treated in intensive care units (ICU) across the country exceeded four thousand. Since the beginning of April 2020, when the peak was recorded, this figure decreased gradually, before increasing steadily again during the second and third wave, which reached their peak in November 2020 and April 2021, respectively. Since the beginning of April, the number of ICU patients has been dropping and amounted to 294 as of June 27, 2021.</p> <p>The limited capacity of Intensive Care Units has been a dramatic issue in Italy since the start of the pandemic. In the last months, however, the country started to see the end of this tragic situation: in late December 2020, the administration of the first doses of COVID-19 vaccine began</p> <p>https://www.statista.com/statistics/1119163/covid-19-patients-in-icu-since-the-outbreak-italy/</p>

Additional details that could impact this assessment?	<p>Italy is currently listed as an amber country by the UK government</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/red-amber-and-green-list-rules-for-entering-england#:~:text=Anquilla%2C%20Antigua%20and%20Barbuda%2C%20Balearic,green%20list%204am%2C%2030%20June.</p> <p>Italy is NOT listed as a higher risk country for the IOC/Japanese Government</p>
Event Details	
<p>Details from Events management plan for COVID 19 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what is in place to keep athletes and support crew safe? • Is it deemed sufficient? • Does it follow UCI protocols? • Plans if someone presents with COVID at the event venue? <p>UCI Requirements</p>	<p>UCI have released protocol for the organisation of MTB Events in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>These include recommended protocols and mandatory protocols.</p> <p>There is currently no information from the LOC regarding COVID protocols, however this has been requested from the LOC as at 4 July.</p> <p>https://www.valdisolebikeland.com/en/uci-mountain-bike-world-champs-2021/</p> <p>https://www.uci.org/docs/default-source/medical/2020.08.21-protocol-return-comp-mtb-eng.pdf</p>
<p>Event organisation COVID-19 restrictions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social distancing • Gathering numbers • PPE 	<p>Unknown at this stage</p>
<p>Are there medical supplies and PPE available at the destination?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks • Personal medical supplies • Sanitiser 	<p>Given the lower case numbers these should now be readily available</p>
<p>Testing Requirements at event</p>	<p>Unknown at this stage however the UCI do recommend that COVID testing and health checks are carried out by riders prior to arriving onsite.</p>
<p>Training facilities and plans</p>	<p>Unknown at this stage</p>

Medical	
Athlete health prior to travel	The UCI do not have any requirements for pre-health checks prior to competing in an international event, aside from the COVID requirements as stipulated by the event. It is however recommended by Cycling NZ that all riders have a medical check from either a HPSNZ doctor or their local GP to identify any underlying medical conditions that could be additional risk if they were to contract COVID19 prior to leaving NZ.
What medical support will there be for general illness, incidents etc.? Availability of medical supplies?	Unknown for event
Daily health Checks – how will this be carried out?	Daily health checks are likely to be required by the event and these could be carried out online through Cycling NZ.
Assessment Notes/Recommendations	
<p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Italy has seen two significant surges in COVID19, however since April has seen a constant reduction in case numbers with the current rate at 700-1200 per day and this is continuing to reduce. Hospitals are not under the same amount of pressure as they were previously and are below the critical threshold in all regions. The country has now declared each region as a White Region, which means there are no regions in high risk and restrictions have eased significantly. LOC have not produced a COVID plan yet which would need to be reviewed to allow confirmed entry into this event. However, as a UCI sanctioned event they will be required to produce a COVID plan which meets the requirements as outlined by UCI. All riders will be required to complete an <i>International Event Entry Application (IEEA)</i> prior to being entered into the event. This will be the riders safety plan for the event. <p>It is important to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NZ government is still recommending not to travel. Leaving NZ carries increased risk. COVID19 is still an unknown virus and can escalate extremely quickly, this could result in difficulty in getting back home to NZ should there be an outbreak and also treatment at a hospital could be impacted for not only COVID19 related symptoms but other injuries. If an athlete contracts COVID19 they will be quarantined for a minimum of 10 days, which is a financial risk as well as impacting training significantly for future events 	
RECOMMENDATION TO CYCLING NEW ZEALAND	
<p>As at 4 July, it is recommended that Cycling New Zealand allow selection to take place for the MTB World Champs to be held in Val di Sole, Italy with entry into the event pending on the following requirements/restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Event provides a COVID plan which meets the UCI COVID standards and includes measures around social distancing, use of face masks and negative test results prior to being allowed onsite. Each rider produces a safety plan around their travel – minimum requirement will be completing the CNZ International Event Entry Application (IEEA) to a sufficient standard and 	

this being approved by CNZ. This will also require the rider to continue to review this should there be any changes or developments prior to departure.

By selecting the athlete and once entered into the event, they agree to abide by all UCI and LOC Event Bubble rules.

Name: Shanelle Barrett

Signature: 

Date: 4 July 2021

FINAL DECISION BY CYCLING NEW ZEALAND

Recommendation above **APPROVED** / DECLINED

Name: Jacques Landry, CEO Cycling New Zealand

Signature: 

Date: 5 July, 2021

Resources

<https://www.valdisolebikeland.com/>

<http://www.italia.it/en/useful-info/covid-19-updates-information-for-tourists.html>

<https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioNotizieNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&menu=notizie&p=dalministero&id=5541>

<https://www.uci.org/news/2020/covid-19-pandemic-how-to-return-to-cycling-events>

<https://www.miq.govt.nz/>

<https://safetravel.govt.nz/news/advice-new-zealanders-overseas-0>

<https://sportnz.org.nz/media/3615/guidelines-for-international-travel-for-new-zealand-nsos-16-december-final.pdf>

<https://hpsnz.org.nz/covid-19/>

<https://www.miq.govt.nz/travel-to-new-zealand/plan-your-travel-to-nz/pre-departure-testing/>

<https://www.staralliance.com/en/country-info>

<https://ourworldindata.org/policy-responses-covid#international-travel-controls>

<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus>

<https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/travel-advisories-destination>

<https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/world.php>

NZ Ministry of Health COVID-19 - <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

NZ Government COVID-19 - <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

Sport New Zealand Covid-19 Information - <https://sportnz.org.nz/covid-19-response/overview/>

<https://allocation.miq.govt.nz/portal/>

Complete these four steps if you are travelling to New Zealand

STEP ONE

Create an individual or family registration

Enter passenger details. For family registrations, enter the details of everyone in your group who is travelling to New Zealand with you.



STEP TWO

Hold your accommodation

Select your preferred arrival date in New Zealand. A 14-day stay in managed isolation will be held for 48 hours while you organise your flights.



STEP THREE

Confirm your arrival details

Book your flights then return here to enter your flight details to New Zealand. Your allocation in managed isolation will be confirmed.



STEP FOUR

Print or download your Voucher

You will need to present your Managed Isolation Allocation Voucher at the airport to board your flight to New Zealand.



Additional for this assessment:

<https://sportnz.org.nz/covid-19-response/advice-guidance-and-resources/international-travel-exemption-form/>

<https://sportnz.org.nz/media/3673/international-travel-update-28-01.pdf>