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Seafood New Zealand is continuing discussions at the highest level with the Ministry for Primary Industries. We will continue to notify you as and when conditions or decisions change.

Preparing to move to alert level 3

Yesterday, the Prime Minister announced that New Zealand will stay at alert level 4 until 23.59 on Monday 27 April, before transitioning to Alert Level 3. We will remain at alert level 3 for two weeks before Cabinet makes further decisions on 11 May.

Businesses who can reopen at alert level 3 were also told they can safely begin preparing to open, including employers re-entering premises to receive stock if necessary, providing they can maintain physical distancing. Further information for businesses is available on the following websites:

- Unite Against COVID-19
- Business.Govt.NZ
- Worksafe NZ

Key contacts
Subsidies and assistance

The government has implemented a number of support packages for businesses to help get through the COVID-19 crisis, including wage subsidies. Information on support packages for businesses, including wage subsidies can be found here.

The wage subsidy application form can be found here.

Ministry for Primary Industries

Operators looking to register as an essential service or with essential service-related queries must contact MPI directly:

Ph: 0800 00 83 33

Email: info@mpi.govt.nz

Maritime New Zealand

For any maritime questions or concerns, please contact the MNZ COVID-19 response team:

Email: MNZCovid-19@maritimenz.govt.nz

FishServe

FishServe is operating as normal, with a helpline available for all FishServe-related queries. You can also fill out their online form.

Ph: 04 460 9555

Email: helpline@fishserve.co.nz

Seafood New Zealand

The latest COVID-19 updates and resources can be found on Seafood New Zealand's industry website. For further enquiries contact us on:

Ph: 04 385 4005

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