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NZTR DIRECTIVE – PROTOCOLS FOR TRAINING, TRIALLING AND RACING UNDER COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL 3

Under Alert Level 3 all businesses that are permitted to resume operations need to have a COVID-19 safety plan that sets out how they'll operate safely.

NZTR has confirmed with the government that Clubs, Trainers, and training centres can undertake business activities (including importantly racing, training and trialling) under Alert Level 3.

The attached Directive has been sent to WorkSafe for endorsement of the protocols. NZTR will advise of any updates that result of the WorkSafe endorsement process.

The Directive that accompanies this NZTR Circular details measures that Clubs, Trainers and their staff must adhere to and form the minimum measures of a workplace health and safety plan in relation to COVID-19. Issued as a Directive, the protocols must be adhered to under the Rules of Racing.

The Directive places a requirement that clubs or Trainers together with their respective staff or racing officials must develop a COVID-19 Control Plan in place to protect all individuals at the workplace or sites where training and racing is conducted.

Employers should prepare and implement their site plans and processes with worker engagement (including worker H&S representation) and participation to ensure that agreed measures are well communicated and embedded in practice.

The Directive has been issued in consultation with the New Zealand Jockeys' Association, the New Zealand Trainers' Association, a Racing Club Advisory Group, and the NZ Racecourse Managers Association.

Clubs, Jockeys, Trainers and staff are expected to work positively and cooperatively to ensure:

- the effective implementation of these COVID-19 protocols, and
- that the health and safety of workers and other people aren't put at risk from changes that are made to work arrangements because of this pandemic.

The protocols contain requirements that include essential materials that Clubs and Trainers may not currently have to hand. Assistance with the more substantive of these is provided in the Appendix below.

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Appendix: Essential materials

- NZTR is purchasing 12 non-touch thermometers which will be assigned 3 to each of: North; CD; Upper South & Lower South, to be carried by Stipendiary Stewards to bring to each race or trial meeting. If clubs or trainers wish to purchase their own thermometer, [this link](#) indicates a suitable product that is available for delivery.
- NZTR will order signage which Stipendiary Stewards can bring to meetings, being: 3x “COVID-19 Entry Screening Point” and a two each of “Temporary Jockey Room” and “Temporary Trainers and Strappers Room”.
- To ensure that a trainer or owner colours are not worn by more than one rider on a raceday, NZTR will supply 10 additional plain Colours and caps which Stipendiary Stewards can bring to meetings and provide if needed.
- Whilst clubs and trainers are free to choose supplier and suitable product, if this is proving difficult, NZTR has identified a supplier (<https://www.advanceclean.co.nz/>) of disinfectant and hand sanitiser and other products. Clubs (or trainers) may open an account and contact Advance Clean to order and get the products shipped (Account opening form attached). **It is recommended that orders are placed as soon as possible, as due to high demand, there may be some delays in fulfilling orders.**

- Recommended products are (prices are ex-GST):

Stock Code	Description	QTY	Unit Price
PINDBS5L	GERM SHIELD 5L	0	225.00
PINDBS500S	GERM SHIELD 500ml Bottle can only be purchased by the carton.	0	29.95
P800	HAND SANITISER 70% ALCOHOL GEL 500ml	0	16.95
P805	HAND SANITISER 70% ALCOHOL GEL 5L	0	85.00
SGLOVE01X	Glove Latex White N/P (100) LG	0	10.00
STPAPPHSC100	CLASSIC SLIM TOWEL 1PLY 200S 20PACKS	0	61.00
P455	BIOKLEEN SANITIZER 5L Disinfectant and sanitiser with outstanding bacteria killing properties. To be diluted and is food safety approved.	0	17.49

- Germshield** While expensive compared with standard disinfectant, this leaves a 24-hour residue that organisms can't survive on (product [link](#)).
- Bio-Kleen** A standard disinfectant (product [link](#)).
- Hand and Surface Sanitiser** (product [link](#)). Containers or hand pumps would have bought separately (e.g. product [link](#)).

- Contact for opening accounts and placing orders with Advance Clean:

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- For trainers, it will be important that surface disinfectants are used won't rot or corrode reins and other gear. While there are likely other suitable products, below are two options:
 - Shoof – Strike 400 (product [link](#))
 - F10 (product [link](#))