Changing between Alert Levels – guidelines for Tertiary Education Organisations

At every Alert Level, the following principles apply:

- Providers must maintain the ability to deliver courses remotely, and be in a position to transition to fully remote learning within 24 hours.
- If the Alert Level is **lowered**, providers may choose how best to transition their delivery, as long as they are meeting the new Alert Level requirements (e.g. providers may choose to continue with online delivery for an extended period, even if this is not required at the new Alert Level).
- If the Alert Level is raised, providers must transition to the new requirements by the time the new Alert Level is to come into effect (providers should be in a position to transition within 24 hours).
- Isolation arrangements must be followed for anyone coming from overseas or another region of New Zealand where there is a Level 3 or 4 alert in place.

The following guidelines have been finalised in order to ensure that by playing it safe we are all safe at NMIT Level 2b

	Overarching principles for TEOs	What this means for NMIT Limited			
		Teaching and learning	Conducting research	Accommodation and pastoral support	Campus operations and management
Level 2 - Reduce Disease is contained, but risks of community transmission growing	 Principles for level 2 Tertiary education facilities open, with arrangements made for vulnerable students Most activities are allowed, but must be managed to ensure physical distancing requirements are met Gatherings of 100 people or more are not allowed Remote teaching options may be available for students Delivery will take place in 'controlled learning areas' that adhere to public health control measures. 	 Remote teaching and learning arrangements will remain available for vulnerable team members and learners. Learning and teaching on campus is prioritised to practical sessions. Where programmes do not have practical components, these programmes are able to return to campus on a reduced capacity. The rationale for this is to provide opportunity for some social interaction. The optimum model for delivery is by tutors taking a blended learning approach. Classes, lectures, labs, workshops, tutorials, examinations and meetings (of less than 100 people, where practicable) are allowed. Practical activities that require use of transport are permitted. Workplace-based learning should be managed within the policies and practices being applied within each workplace. Within controlled learning spaces social distancing is less necessary. Non-timetabled activity is permitted on campus between 08.00 - 18.00 (Monday to Friday only excl. Public holidays) 	The following activities are allowed, but must be strictly managed to ensure physical distancing requirements are met: • Face-to-face research activities, including public events (or less than 100 people, where practicable), personal interviews, and experiments involving human subjects, are allowed.	 Student accommodation, such as Nikau, to remain open for all students. Small family or close friend gatherings are allowed. Student counselling, support services & health services are allowed in person. 	 Operations, Management and Business Support colleagues are encouraged to transition back to campus. Colleagues who are vulnerable or care for a vulnerable person are permitted to return to campus if they choose to do so. Meetings and gatherings are encouraged to be virtual, however, face-to-face meetings are permitted. International staff travel continues to be banned though domestic air travel is allowed where deemed to be essential and approved by your Executive lead. Movement between campuses is permitted. Libraries, computer labs, gymnasiums, recreation areas, and on-campus food retail venues are open with strict contact tracing and hygiene measures in place. Wherever processes and procedures can be dealt with online this is encouraged. Visitors on to campus are permitted, where essential. The NMIT host must ensure contact tracing and hygiene protocols are followed at all times.

Non-negotiable NMIT requirements:

- 1. Compliance with all posters and instructions visible across campus to ensure we 'play it safe' not encouraging social gatherings or mingling of more than 100 people
- 2. If you are feeling sick or unwell stay at home, get a test
- 3. Strict hygiene practices including regular handwashing should be followed
- 4. Within a classroom setting, incoming groups will be supported to take responsibility for sanitising own workspace at the start of every session
- 5. Compliance with completion of contact tracing registers for all activities
- 6. Multiple contact tracing systems are in place including for example nmit mobile app; online class registers; signing in and out of buildings and classrooms etc.
- 7. Compliance against all other guidance for example Seating, Separation and Single server for catering facilities
- 8. Vocational delivery should follow the public health control measures that apply to their industry sector

From Tuesday 2 June:

Return to campus under relaxed but controlled conditions.