

COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Strategy

Your COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Strategy should:

- align with Ministry of Health guidance alongside the ScreenSafe COVID-19 standards and protocols which have been endorsed by WorkSafe.
- address any matters that you consider relevant to mitigate the risks that COVID-19 poses to your production.
- outline the plan for your production to operate under the COVID-19 Protection
 Framework (traffic light settings).

The Protection Framework outlines clear requirements for activities occurring at Green, Orange and Red settings. Your Risk Mitigation Strategy will need to clearly outline your production strategy at each level. It will be a condition of production financing that all three activity settings have been budgeted for and included in the finance plan.

Physical Production

Particular focus must be given to:

- Vaccine passes
- Capacity limits
- Record keeping
- Localised protections and lockdowns

Productions will also need measures in place to protect vulnerable communities/groups/individuals.

<u>Financial</u>

- What contractual arrangements will be in place with crew in the case of a COVID-19 event or changes in Protection Framework settings?
- What cast contracts will be used for key cast? Where possible, cast should be contracted on the SPADA/Equity Individual Performance Agreement. What are

- the provisions in the event of a change in settings? What are their availability periods?
- Are any cast and crew traveling to New Zealand? Will they all be out of
 quarantine before the commencement of principal photography? Have you
 factored enough time in the schedule for applications for Border Exemptions,
 travel and the limited New Zealand quarantine space? You must ensure that any
 Key Elements who are entering New Zealand to provide services have returned a
 negative COVID-19 test and successfully completed any managed isolation
 quarantine requirements.
- Do any other financiers require COVID-19 insurance, or will they proceed on risk without it?

The production budget must contain all costs of complying with government guidance relating to COVID-19. COVID-19 costs should be clearly identified, either within a specific COVID-19 costs section within your budget, OR separate lines within other categories tagged as COVID-19 costs.

- You must include an additional contingency specifically assigned to COVID-19 related events or government directed restrictions. What level of contingency has been specifically allocated to this?
- What other measures will you utilise to mitigate the financial risks from COVID-19?

Please note that this Risk Mitigation Strategy is not expected to be a complete Health and Safety Plan, which we would expect the producers to compile with a Health and Safety professional before pre-production commences.