

COVID-19 Vaccine Frequently Asked Questions

This document contains answers to frequently asked questions regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. For further information please refer to the [WILSON GROUP COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY](#). If you have concerns, please email HR@FIRSTSECURITY.CO.NZ

Q) Am I required to get the vaccine?

A) Wilson is encouraging all employees, consultants and contractors to be vaccinated with the government-approved vaccine in line with medical advice appropriate for your specific circumstances.

Q) When will the vaccine be available?

A) The vaccine will be available from Saturday 20 February for border staff.

FIRST Security staff will start receiving vaccines from Sunday 21 February.

It is anticipated that it will be delivered over a 2–3 week period.

Q) Where can I get the vaccine?

A) Auckland MIQF staff can receive the vaccine at the following MIQ sites: Waipuna Lodge, Holiday Inn or Crowne Plaza.

We will provide further vaccination site details as soon as we are informed.

Q) What will the Vaccination process look like?

A) You will receive an email or text from your DHB inviting you to be vaccinated.

As soon as you receive this, please call either 027 1016 4045 or 027 1016 4042 or email vaccine@firstsecurity.co.nz **before** confirming your appointment so that you can be rostered on to ensure you are paid for your vaccine appointment.

Q) How much will the vaccine cost?

A) The vaccine is administered free of charge.

Q) Will I be able to get the vaccine during my shift?

A) Once you receive your email or text from your local DHB, please call either 027 1016 4045 or 027 1016 4042 or email vaccine@firstsecurity.co.nz to discuss a suitable time to receive your vaccination.

Q) Will I be paid for the time it takes for me to get the vaccine?

A) Yes, as long as you call 027 1016 4045 or 027 1016 4042 or email vaccine@firstsecurity.co.nz, **BEFORE** confirming your vaccination appointment, you will be rostered on to receive the vaccine.

Q) What evidence will I have to provide when I get the vaccine?

A) After you have received your vaccination, you will be given a record card with the date you've been immunised and the batch number. It is important you keep this for evidence.

As per previous communications, the CIR (COVID-19 Immunisation Register), will also hold evidence of your vaccination.

Q) What if I don't want to get the vaccine?

A) If you choose to not receive the vaccine, you are entitled to do so and there is currently no impact to you.

Noting this, it is important to highlight that the Government is currently reviewing this position. If vaccinations become mandatory we will be in contact with you to discuss your options.

We recommend that all workers working in a Border Facility (e.g. MIQF, Ports of Auckland), should be vaccinated for your own personal safety, your family's safety and the safety of New Zealand.

Q) What if I want to get the vaccine, but there is a delay in me being able to get it?

A) You will continue to work and be rostered as per usual while you wait to be vaccinated.

Q) Once vaccinated, will I still need to be COVID 19 tested?

A) Yes. This is still a legal requirement if you work on at a Border Facility to be tested weekly or fortnightly, dependant on your role.

Q) Do I need to be vigilant about hygiene after I'm vaccinated?

A) It is also an important reminder that the vaccines are not a substitute for good hygiene practices of washing hands, coughing and sneezing into your elbow, wearing masks or face coverings and other precautions, including PPE.

Q) Who is a 'household contact'?

A) This means anyone who usually lives with you, whether they're related to you or not. It also includes people who live with you part-time. This covers papakāinga as well.

Q) When will my household contacts get vaccinated?

A) Household contacts will be vaccinated as part of the initial roll-out, but after border and MIQ workers have had their first dose.

When you receive your invitation to be vaccinated, you will be sent a link to an online form that you can use to provide the details of the people you live with who will also be offered the vaccine.

Q) How will my household contacts be contacted to arrange their vaccination?

A). The Ministry of Health is close to finalising how they will contact your household contacts to ensure they get the information they'll need to arrange their vaccinations. We will let you know as soon as we can.

Q) Where can I get more information about the vaccine?

A) We encourage you to look at the official government information about the COVID-19 vaccine: <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines>.

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