

4 December 2020

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**Smooth sailing to the Cup #2 informer**  
**Preparing for the 36th America's Cup, presented by PRADA**  
**17 – 20 December: The PRADA America's Cup World Series Auckland and**  
**PRADA Christmas Race**

The 36th America's Cup is almost here. The following information is to help you plan for the transport changes that will come into effect on the America's Cup racing days from December 2020 to March 2021.

You also can check for public transport updates and traffic management details on our website [www.at.govt.nz/americascup](http://www.at.govt.nz/americascup)

**Access changes during the event period**

The first set of road closures will occur on the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> of December. Please refer to the map supplied.

- Wynyard Quarter Roads will close to vehicle traffic around 11am and reopen late in the evening
- Viaduct Harbour, Lower Hobson, Lower Albert, Quay St and Britomart area roads close to vehicle traffic around 1pm and reopen around 8pm

**Authorised Vehicle Access Permits**

Vehicle permits will be available from Monday 7 December.

**Hand deliveries**

On Monday 7 and Tuesday 8 December, AT Ambassadors will be visiting businesses within the area to hand deliver Vehicle Permits. Wherever available, they will leave these with your Reception or Concierge.

If our ambassadors are unable to gain access to your building, or no one is available, please ensure you collect your Vehicle Permits as below.

**Collect from Auckland Transport, 20 Viaduct Harbour Avenue**

From 7 - 11 December, Vehicle Permits will be available for collection from our Reception between 10am - 4pm.

Please email [americascup@at.govt.nz](mailto:americascup@at.govt.nz) with the number of permits that you require and the day you will collect them, so we can ensure your permits are ready for you.

**Building managers and apartment body corporates**

Some building managers and body corporates have already made contact with us to request Vehicle Permits, which they will then distribute to their tenants directly. Others have instructed their tenants to contact AT directly.





Please check with your building manager or body corporate what the plan for your building is.

### **Reminders of when to use the permits**

- Vehicle Permits will allow vehicles to pass through managed road closures and access off-street parks only. Permits are valid from December 2020 to March 2021.
- Please expect longer travel times entering the area while permits are being checked. Delays should also be anticipated when exiting the area.
- We strongly recommend scheduling deliveries, pick-ups/drop-offs before the roads are closed, or after roads are reopened. Any pick-ups or deliveries that need to be made during the road closure times will need to be made outside of the closures.

### **Princes Wharf & Queens Wharf**

- Princes Wharf access will change on race days. Ingress and egress will be via the Hobson Street flyover bridge.
- Queens Wharf access will change on race days. Ingress & egress will be via Quay Street (westbound).

Vehicle Permits are **not** required for Princes Wharf / Queens Wharf businesses, apartment tenants or customers as the wharves will still have all-day access.

### **Taxis and rideshare dedicated ranks**

Two dedicated rideshare and taxi ranks will be in operation between 17 – 20 December at the following locations:

- Viaduct Harbour Avenue near the Sofitel Hotel
- Customs Street West, near Sierra Café

Taxis and rideshare vehicles will be permitted to enter the closures without a Vehicle Permit with access managed by on-the-ground staff. There will be signage to help navigate people to these locations.

### **Commercial car parking buildings**

While we encourage people to use public transport wherever possible, we do acknowledge that people may need to drive and park at a commercial parking facility. Access to existing carparks within the city centre, Viaduct Harbour, Wynyard Quarter, Princes Wharf, downtown and Britomart area will be maintained, however there may be detours in place and you should plan for delays.

### **Bus stops in the Wynyard Quarter**

Stops for the City Link, 75 and 20 will temporarily shift on race days. Temporary stops will be a short walk away and signage will be placed at existing stops to help direct people.

### **Bike and e-scooter parking**

Free valet bike and e-scooter parking will be available on race days from 2pm to 8pm at the Jellicoe Street carpark and Hobson Street overbridge. Pop along and our staff will look after your bike while you check out the action on the water. We'll have maps of our recommended rides, information and support for people on wheels. Outside of key race times, bike and e-scooter parking (not a valet service) will still be available onsite.

### **Public transport options**

Please ensure you plan your travel in advance, so you don't get into a race of your own. You can use the Journey Planner function in the AT Mobile App or on our website

[www.AT.govt.nz/americascup](http://www.AT.govt.nz/americascup) Ferry timetables are now available to view on the website.



Message for boaties – If you're heading out on the water, plan to get out very early as there will be congestion at local boat ramps.

**Updates to the road closure map:**

- Bike and e-scooter parking is now marked on the map
- Dedicated rideshare and taxi ranks are now marked on the map
- Gore Street between Quay Street and Tyler Street will be closed between 1 -8pm on 17 – 20 December.

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To receive public information and road changes updates from Auckland Transport email [americascup@at.govt.nz](mailto:americascup@at.govt.nz)

Sign up for America's Cup news, events and team updates at <https://www.americascup.com/acws/auckland>

Enquiries about the Vehicle Access Permits and road closure email [americascup@at.govt.nz](mailto:americascup@at.govt.nz)

Contact Auckland Transport at 09 3553 553

**FAQ's**

**Where can I find information about the races?**

<https://www.americascup.com/en/events>

**What event information is available for my business?**


<https://www.aucklandnz.com/36th-americas-cup>

**When will I know about transport planning for racing after December?**

Planning is still underway, and our website will be updated once more information is available.

**Why have road closures and parking restrictions?**

Safety is at the heart of everything we do. By restricting parking and closing off roads in the area, we are making sure that spectators can watch the race day activities and not have to watch out for traffic. The measures we are putting in place are designed to keep everyone safe and tie-in with the event's resource consent. It's a win-win for us all.

| Key   |  |
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|  | Closed 11am-11pm (subject to change)<br>Parking restrictions<br>Managed vehicle access |
|  | Closed 1pm-8pm (subject to change)<br>Parking restrictions<br>Managed vehicle access   |
|  | Access will be maintained  |
|  | Authorised vehicles only   |
|  | Scooter/cycle parking  |
|  |  |
|  | Taxi/rideshare   |



Victoria Park