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### **Smooth sailing to the Cup #4 Informer**

#### **Preparing for the 36th America's Cup Match presented by PRADA 10 – 21 March (including Reserve Days)**

The 36th America's Cup Match is here.

The highly anticipated Race 1 will start on Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> under Alert Level 2.

The following information is to help you plan for the transport changes that will come into effect from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2021. You can also check for public transport updates and traffic management details on our website [www.at.govt.nz/americascup](http://www.at.govt.nz/americascup).

As Auckland is at Alert Level 2 check restrictions for this event.

#### **Access changes in the Viaduct Harbour, Downtown and Britomart areas**

We do not plan to implement any road closures in the Viaduct Harbour, Downtown and Britomart areas.

However, during the 36<sup>th</sup> America's Cup Match we will closely monitor pedestrian safety and traffic network operation and take a responsive approach. Particularly should Auckland's alert levels change, and more people are allowed to gather and watch the action.

If necessary, road closures (one-way or two-way) and traffic control measures (such as stop/go points) may be deployed at short notice on race days to ensure safe and efficient access.

#### **Quay Street and Lower Hobson Street**

Quay Street is a key pedestrian thoroughfare and a gateway to the America's Cup Race Village. Depending on conditions on the day, the likely areas for any road closures and traffic control measures if these were implemented would be Lower Hobson St and Quay St (between Britomart Place and Lower Hobson Street).

*Important to note:* For pedestrian safety, in the event of any road closures, vehicles will not be permitted to travel along Quay Street between Queens Wharf and Lower Hobson Street, irrespective of displaying a yellow vehicle access permit.

#### **Princes Wharf and Queens Wharf**

- Access to Princes and Queens Wharf will be maintained at all times, even if Quay St or Lower Hobson St are closed.
- A vehicle access permit is not required, and signage will be in place to direct drivers.
- Note that access to Princes Wharf would still be via Sturdee Street and Lower Hobson Street (not the Hobson St flyover), even if closures are in place.



### **Wynyard Quarter**

- There will be limited road closures and restricted parking likely to be contained to Jellicoe Street and for a period between the hours of 11am to 11pm.
- Bus stops for the City Link, 75 and 20 will temporarily shift on race days and signage will be placed at existing stops to help direct people

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

- Free valet bike and e-scooter parking on race days from 2pm to 8pm at the Jellicoe Street carpark and Hobson Street overbridge.
- Outside of key race times, bike and e-scooter parking (not a valet service) will still be available onsite

### **Public transport options**

- Plan your travel in advance and 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).
- There will be additional ferry services to Devonport, and changes to other ferry timetables.
- There are no free bus shuttles during this period.
- For changes to the rail network, visit [www.at.govt.nz/railclosures](http://www.at.govt.nz/railclosures)

### **Reminders to help you plan:**

- For America's Cup news, racing schedule, COVID-19 Alert Level updates and activations in the Race Village visit [www.americascup.com/acws/auckland](http://www.americascup.com/acws/auckland)
- Schedule deliveries, pick-ups/drop-offs before 1pm on race days in case roads are closed at short notice, or after 8pm when anticipated to reopen
- There is no dedicated rideshare or taxi ranks in operation in the Viaduct Harbour area
- Access to commercial parking facilities will be maintained if road closures are implemented
- If you're planning to head out on the water, get out early as there will be congestion at local board ramps
- Check our webpage for road closures in the city centre, Devonport or Tamaki Drive [www.at.govt.nz/americascup](http://www.at.govt.nz/americascup), or contact Auckland Transport at 09 3553 553.
- Event information for businesses can be found here <https://www.aucklandnz.com/36th-america-cup>

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