

Level	Criteria	Actions and measures	Ascension Response Level Protocol
1 AMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk of importation of COVID-19 from an infected area. No evidence of imported cases amongst those observing compulsory isolation on arrival. No evidence of community acquired cases. No virus in Ascension. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrivals from affected areas to observe compulsory isolation for up to 14 days following arrival. Screening at points of entry to identify possible COVID-19 cases on arrival, with immediate individual isolation of suspected cases where practical. Anyone who develops possible COVID-19 symptoms to go home, self-isolate as a precaution and telephone hospital on 66252, RAF clinic on 63311, or the USAF clinic on 62224. Testing to be conducted on suspect cases as soon as is practical following development of symptoms. Isolation for up to 14 days for anyone who tests positive for COVID-19. 	
2 ORANGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed imported case of COVID-19 amongst those observing compulsory isolation. Confirmed spread (secondary cases) only through known contacts of the imported case, all of whom remain in compulsory isolation . No evidence of community acquired cases. Likely virus is still contained amongst those observing compulsory isolation on arrival. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All measures as detailed in Level 1 AMBER. Confirmed cases to isolate until two negative test results. Positive cases to be isolated individually where practical and other members of compulsory isolation group to be monitored for signs of illness. 	
3 RED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed community case of COVID-19 derived from known imported source. Initial source and contacts identified and isolated. Virus expected to be contained through contact tracing methods. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All measures as detailed in Level 1 AMBER and Level 2 ORANGE. Contact tracing, compulsory isolation and testing of all known contacts. Island on high alert for 14 days following each new positive case. Contact with individuals outside of own household, beyond necessary workplace interactions, to be avoided where possible. Possible adaptations or restrictions on certain non-essential work activities as determined by the employer. When in public, individuals to demonstrate extra precaution, thorough hand and cough hygiene, face covering to be worn when indoors and all are advised to practise social distancing. At risk vulnerable individuals to exercise extra care and take suitable precautions as advised by the Senior Medical Officer. 	
4 BLACK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed community acquired case of COVID-19 from an unknown source. Virus spreading through unknown sources and contacts. Virus is not contained. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temporary closure of all public social venues (bars) and non-island critical functions (school, non-food shops). Managed access to essential public spaces, such as food shops and mess facilities. Non-essential elements of larger island organisations to temporarily close and staff to be reassigned or to remain at home. Only critical island service staff attending work. No contact with individuals outside of direct household. Non-essential travel outside of homes to be minimised, and when occurring there should be no contact with anyone from outside of your household. Strict self-isolation for at risk vulnerable individuals: stay at home and avoid interaction with those outside your household until advised otherwise by Senior Medical Officer. 	

Level 1

AMBER

- No evidence of imported cases of COVID-19 amongst those observing compulsory isolation or community acquired cases.
- No virus in Ascension.
- Arrivals from affected areas to observe compulsory isolation for up to 14 days following arrival.
- Screening at points of entry to identify possible COVID-19 cases on arrival, with immediate individual isolation of suspected cases where practical.
- Anyone who develops possible COVID-19 symptoms to go home, self-isolate as a precaution and telephone hospital on 66252, RAF clinic on 63311, or the USAF clinic on 62224.
- Testing to be conducted on suspect cases as soon as is practical following development of symptoms.
- Isolation for up to 14 days for anyone who tests positive for COVID-19.

Level 2

ORANGE

- Confirmed imported case of COVID-19 amongst those observing compulsory isolation.
- Confirmed spread (secondary cases) only through known contacts of the imported case, all of whom remain in compulsory isolation .
- No evidence of community acquired cases.
- Likely virus is still contained amongst those observing compulsory isolation on arrival.
- All measures as detailed in Level 1 **AMBER**.
- Confirmed cases to isolate until two negative test results.
- Positive cases to be isolated individually where practical and other members of compulsory isolation group to be monitored for signs of illness.

Level 3

RED

- Confirmed community case of COVID-19 derived from known imported source.
- Initial source and contacts identified and isolated.
- Contact tracing, compulsory isolation and testing of all known contacts.
- Island on high alert for 14 days following each positive test.
- Contact with individuals outside of own household, beyond necessary workplace interactions, to be avoided where possible.
- Possible adaptations or restrictions on certain non-essential work activities as determined by employers.
- When in public, individuals to demonstrate extra precaution, thorough hand and cough hygiene, face covering to be worn indoors and all are advised to practise social distancing.
- At risk vulnerable individuals to exercise extra care and take suitable precautions as advised by the Senior Medical Officer.

Level 4

BLACK

- Confirmed community acquired case of COVID-19 from unknown source.
- Virus spreading through unknown sources and is not contained.
- Temporary closure of all public social venues (bars) and non-island critical functions (school, non-food shops).
- Managed access to essential public spaces, such as food shops and mess facilities.
- Non-essential elements of larger island organisations to temporarily close and staff to be reassigned or to remain at home. Only critical island service staff attending work.
- No contact with individuals outside of direct household.
- Non-essential travel outside of homes to be minimised, and when occurring there should be no contact with anyone from outside of your household.
- Strict self-isolation for at risk vulnerable individuals: stay at home and avoid interaction with those outside your household until advised otherwise by Senior Medical Officer.