

Part 1: Introduction and General Provisions

NATIONAL DIRECTION INSTRUMENTS

NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENTS AND NEW ZEALAND COASTAL POLICY STATEMENT

National policy statements and New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement

National policy statements (NPSs) and the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement (NZCPS) form part of the Resource Management Act's policy framework and are prepared by central government. NPSs and the NZCPS contain objectives, policies and methods that must be given effect to by policy statements and plans. NPSs and the NZCPS must also be given regard to by consent authorities when making decisions on resource consent applications, alongside other considerations.

The following table provides an overview of whether any relevant review of the Rotorua District Plan has been undertaken in relation to NPSs and the NZCPS.

National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity 2023	The Rotorua District Plan has not been reviewed with respect to this national policy statement.
National Policy Statement for Greenhouse Gases from Industrial Process Heat 2023	This national policy statement does not require any review or change of a district plan.
National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land 2022	The Rotorua District Plan has not been reviewed with respect to this national policy statement.
National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 (updated 2022)	The parking provisions (removal of minimum parking requirements) have been addressed. Plan Change 9 responded to various policies and implementation requirements, notably Policy 5.
National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management 2014 (amended in August 2017)	The Rotorua District Plan has not been reviewed with respect to this national policy statement.
National Policy Statement on Renewable Electricity Generation 2011	This formed part of the legislative background when the current Rotorua District Plan was reviewed. Relevant provisions include strategic objectives and policies for renewable electricity and special rules for the hydro dam electricity generation core sites.
New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010	This national policy statement does not apply to the Rotorua District Plan.
National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission 2008	This formed part of the legislative background when the current Rotorua District Plan was reviewed.

	Relevant provisions included with this review include the special rules for the national grid yard.
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NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS

National environmental standards

National environmental standards (NESs) are prepared by central government and can prescribe technical standards, methods (including rules) and/or other requirements for environmental matters throughout the whole country or specific areas. If an activity doesn't comply with an NES, it is likely to require a resource consent. NESs must be observed and enforced by local authorities. The following NESs were in force at the time this document was last updated:

- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Greenhouse Gases from Industrial Process Heat\) Regulations 2023](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Storing Tyres Outdoors\) Regulations 2021](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Freshwater\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Marine Aquaculture\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standard for Commercial Forestry\) Regulations 2017](#) (previously known as the National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Telecommunication Facilities\) Regulations 2016](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health\) Regulations 2011](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Electricity Transmission Activities\) Regulations 2009](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standard for Sources of Human Drinking Water\) Regulations 2007](#)
- [Resource Management \(National Environmental Standards for Air Quality\) Regulations 2004](#)

REGULATIONS

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In addition to the national environmental standards listed above, regulations have also been made the Resource Management Act 1991, including those listed below. It is recommended you refer to the Ministry for the Environment for the complete list.

- [Resource Management \(Stock Exclusion\) Regulations 2020](#)
- [Resource Management \(Exemption\) Regulations 2017 \(vertebrate toxic agents\)](#)
- [Resource Management \(Network Utility Operations\) Regulations 2016 \(insecticide discharge as part of spraying programme under Biosecurity Act\)](#)
- [Resource Management \(Discount on Administrative Charges\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Resource Management \(Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes\) Regulations 2010](#)
- [Resource Management \(Forms, Fees, and Procedure\) Regulations 2003](#)
- [Resource Management \(Infringement Offences\) Regulations 1999](#)
- [Resource Management \(Marine Pollution\) Regulations 1998](#)
- [Resource Management \(Exemption\) Regulations 1996](#)
- [Resource Management \(Transitional, Fees, Rents, and Royalties\) Regulations 1991](#)