

# 60 - Sites of Significance to Māori

This Chapter contains rules relating to [land](#) uses on [Sites](#) of Significance to Māori.

It should also be noted that not all heritage areas of significance to Māori are identified on the Planning Maps. [Tangata whenua](#) are developing Iwi/[Hapū Environmental Management Plans](#) which may identify further areas. In the case of discretionary activities, Council shall take such Plans into account and shall encourage consultation with [tangata whenua](#).

[Sites](#) of Significance to Māori are identified on the Planning Maps, indicated by a symbol and number. The details of a [site](#) are in Appendix 4. The Council holds a separate record (not in the Plan) of the names and addresses of the [kaitiaki](#) (traditional custodians) for each [site](#). The name and address of the [kaitiaki](#) will be made available to applicants for resource consents for relevant [sites](#) on request, so that the correct people can be contacted in relation to the application.

[Subdivision](#) Rules control [subdivision](#) involving [Sites](#) of Significance to Māori.

## 60.1 Sites of Significance to Māori - Rule Table

### 60.1.1 Works on Specifically Identified Sites

<p>Within a <a href="#">Site</a> of Significance to Māori, identified on the Planning Maps and Appendix 4, activities are <b>permitted</b> if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The activity does not result in any physical disturbance or modification of the <a href="#">site</a>.</li> <li>b) The works (excluding modification of any part of the <a href="#">site</a>) will protect or enhance the cultural and spiritual values of the <a href="#">site</a>.</li> </ul>	<p>Any activity that does not comply with a condition for a permitted activity is a <b>restricted discretionary</b> activity.</p> <p><b>Discretion is restricted to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <a href="#">Effects</a> on <a href="#">Sites</a> of Significance to Māori;</li> <li>ii. Where an entire <a href="#">site</a> is identified as a <a href="#">Site</a> of Significance to Māori, the extent to which individual elements are affected;</li> <li>iii. Measures to protect the <a href="#">Sites</a> of Significance to Māori, having regard to the customs and values of <a href="#">tangata whenua</a> and the advice of the <a href="#">Kaitiaki</a>;</li> <li>iv. Measures to restore any <a href="#">Site</a> of Significance to Māori to its former state following completion of the work; having regard to <a href="#">tikanga Māori</a> and the advice of the <a href="#">Kaitiaki</a>.</li> </ul>
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**Note:**

Any destruction, damage or modification of any [archaeological site](#) whether recorded or unrecorded requires the consent of Heritage New Zealand Pouhere [Taonga](#) under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere [Taonga](#) Act 2014.

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## 60.1.2 Aerial and Aerial Support Structures

<p>The construction or <u>alteration</u> of an <u>aerial</u> or <u>aerial support structure</u> is <b>permitted</b> if:</p> <p>a) The <u>aerial</u> or <u>aerial support structure</u> is not within the <u>notional boundary</u> of the <u>site</u>, or the <u>aerial support structure</u> is <u>setback</u> its <u>height</u> from a <u>Site</u> of Significance to Māori, whichever is the greater distance.</p> <p>b) The <u>aerial</u> and <u>aerial support structure</u> complies with all other relevant permitted activity standards for <u>aerials</u> and <u>aerial support structures</u> for the underlying Zone in which the <u>site</u> is located.</p> <p>For the purpose of this rule the following shall apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <u>notional boundary</u> shall mean a line 20 metres from the <u>Site</u> of Significance to Māori to the closest part of any <u>aerial</u> or <u>aerial support structure</u>.</li> <li>The <u>height</u> of the <u>aerial</u> or <u>aerial support structure</u> shall be determined by measuring the distance between <u>ground level</u> and the highest point of any <u>aerial</u> or component attached to the <u>aerial support structure</u>, or the highest part of the <u>aerial support structure</u>.</li> </ul>	<p>Any activity that does not comply with a condition for a permitted activity is a <b>restricted discretionary</b> activity.</p> <p><b>Discretion is restricted to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Effects</u> on <u>Sites</u> of Significance to Māori.</li> <li>When an entire <u>site</u> is identified as a <u>Site</u> of Significance to Māori the extent to which individual elements are affected.</li> <li>Measures to protect the <u>Sites</u> of significance to Māori, having regard to the customs and values of <u>tangata whenua</u> and the advice of <u>Kaitiaki</u>.</li> <li>Measures to restore any <u>Site</u> of Significance to Māori to its former state following completion of the work, having regard to <u>tikanga Māori</u> and the advice of the <u>Kaitiaki</u>.</li> <li>Where the <u>structure</u> is a network utility, the need for the selected <u>site</u> to provide the intended service.</li> </ol> <p>Any activity that does not comply with a permitted or a restricted discretionary activity is a <b>non-complying</b> activity.</p>
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## 60.2 Principal Reasons for Rules / Explanations

### Activities

These rules implement the policies in Chapter 7 to avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects on Sites of Significance to Māori. Activities which result in the physical disturbance of sites are likely to have potential adverse effects and, therefore, will require a resource consent.

### Kaitiaki

The kaitiaki (the Māori people who are the traditional custodians) are listed in records held by the Council. These records were created in the course of consultation between the Council and tangata whenua when this Plan was drafted. The names of the kaitiaki from this list will be given to applicants, whenever necessary, to allow them to contact the kaitiaki for the relevant site and obtain their comments on the effects of a proposed activity.