



# Temporary Activities (TEMP)

## What are the key issues?

Temporary activities have a limited duration and do not generate long-term effects. Therefore, there are benefits to enabling temporary activities with set parameters without requiring a resource consent.

Typical adverse effects of temporary activities include those generated by people, traffic, car parking, noise and visual change. These can often be managed through the infrequent nature, short duration and limited scale of temporary activities.

The Operative District Plan is focused on temporary buildings, and has no controls for temporary events. As such it fails to place any limits on the number of people at outdoor events, the number of events at a site per year, and provides a one-month time limit for events this is out of step with best practice and would result in unacceptable adverse effects.

## What is the approach in the Proposed District Plan?

Temporary activities include fairs, festivals, markets, filming, fireworks or lighting displays, buildings ancillary to construction projects, and helicopter take off and landings. These are provided for in this chapter, as are temporary military training activities.

Temporary activities and temporary military training activities can be undertaken as permitted activities so long as they meet restrictions including standards relating to noise and light. Activities that do not meet these restrictions or standards need a resource consent.



## What does it mean for me?

Temporary activities that meet all the relevant conditions and standards can be undertaken as permitted activities, otherwise a resource consent is required.

## Key changes from the Operative District Plan rules

- Limits on temporary activities (events) are introduced, including event attendee numbers, the duration of the event (including set up and pack down), a cap on how many times per year a site can be used for temporary activities, hours of operation and how soon after the event all structures and equipment must be removed, and the site remediated.
- Beyond the limits, a resource consent would need to be sought. The limits on length of the event and frequency per year are more permissive in the Town Centre Zone (TCZ), Open Space Zone (OSZ) and Sports and Active Recreation Zone (SARZ).
- The chapter specifically provides for public fireworks displays or public light show displays on New Years Eve, Guy Fawkes and for Matariki.
- Controls are introduced for the frequency of helicopter take-offs and landings (for locations other than the Ōamaru Airport and Ōmārama Airfield).
- Using a site in the Town Centre Zone that is vacant of any buildings would require a resource consent for the temporary outdoor storage or display of good for sale.

## Summary of the new rules

### Permitted Activities that will not require a resource consent:

- Temporary activities that meet the limits on duration of the event and frequency per calendar year within specified hours and complying with the zone noise limits.
- Public fireworks displays or public light show displays in the TCZ, OSZ and SARZ where within specified hours on specified days.
- Temporary buildings and structures ancillary to a temporary activity subject to limits, including light, noise and boundary setback standards for the zone, and the period before and after the event when any buildings/structures can be on site.
- Temporary buildings and structures ancillary to a building or construction project where the standards are met.
- Temporary military training activities where several standards are complied with, including notice of weapons firing or the use of explosives to the Council.
- Temporary helicopter take-offs and landings, subject to compliance with limits over frequency, time of day and compliance with noise standards.

### Activities that require a resource consent:

- Temporary outdoor storage or display of goods for sale on a site vacant of buildings in the Town Centre Zone.
- Any permitted temporary activities that do not meet the required limits or standards.

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

This chapter summary is for informal information purposes only and is not intended to serve as a substitute for the official provisions contained in the Proposed District Plan or the requirements of the Resource Management Act 1991. Please refer to the Proposed Waitaki District Plan for comprehensive and authoritative guidance on this topic.

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