



Charge out rates

There are two resource consent processing group charge out rates:

1. The administration charge out rate applies to front of house carrying out application/documentation acceptance and support services functions including record keeping and other incidental administrative tasks.
2. The technical charge out rate applies to all inputs by environmental planners (including team leaders and managers), technical officers and monitoring officers. The hourly charge out rates include the use of vehicles, phone calls, internet charges, use of equipment, stationery, incidental business support and incidental photocopying.

Other charges

1. External inputs. These are New Plymouth District Council (NPDC) technical inputs external to the Resource Consents Team staff and contractors. These include policy advisors, development engineers, roading engineers, secretariat and Councillor hearing related costs.

2. Specialist inputs. These are inputs of skills and expertise external to NPDC needed to address application issues such as legal, archaeological, iwi consultation, hazard assessment, traffic engineering, arboreal, landscape assessment, specialised resource management advice and the use of hearings commissioners. Contractors fulfilling the roles normally handled by the Resource Consents Team are not specialist inputs.

Fee types

There are three fee types:

- 1. Fixed fee.** This fee covers all costs for a process, product or aspect of an application. The amount is fixed - no additional costs will be charged by NPDC in regard to the application up to the stage the document or consent is issued.
- 2. Set base fee.** This is an all inclusive fee covering the administration and technical processing work by the Resource Consents Team which covers receiving, processing and issuing the document or consent. Additional charges will apply for external and specialist inputs if required.
- 3. Base fee.** The base fee is non-refundable except in accordance with the refund criteria. This fee is set at a level intended to cover a straight-forward application with no external inputs or other case specific costs.

This fee will cover the receipt and issue of the application and initial monitoring together with up to a specified number of hours of resource consents processing group technical inputs that typically remain after these costs are deducted.

Applications requiring external or specialist inputs will reduce the number of processing hours from that stated.

In some instances the base fee will be exceeded.

Matters that could cause the base fee to be exceeded include external or specialist inputs, pre-hearing or other meetings, significant mail outs or photocopying, amendments or additional information or application complexity. Invoices will be sent out where fees paid are exceeded.

Payment of fees

Application fees are to be paid at the time of lodgement unless alternative payment arrangements have been formally approved.

A reduced application fee may be considered by the Planning Lead where unusual circumstances or the characteristics of the application would make it inappropriate to charge the normal fee.

Additional fees will be required to be paid before the continuation of processing where an application belongs within a higher fee category.

Where an application falls within more than one fee category, the higher fee category will apply.

Initial monitoring fees (if applicable) are due for payment at the time of consent issue. These normally will be deducted from the application fee.

Processing costs exceeding the fee paid will be invoiced. Invoicing may be periodic or at the completion of processing.

Non-payment of fees or invoiced additional processing costs will result in processing or consent issue being suspended unless alternative payment arrangements have been formally agreed.

Refunds

Where applications are withdrawn a refund will be considered. Refunds will exclude all charges incurred up to the date of withdrawal of application.



Fees and charges - Land use consents and associated processes

Activity	Charge
Airport flight path - erection of structures and planting of trees (OL 1, 2, 3, 4 New Plymouth District Plan) within the airport designation only	\$1,153.00 set base fee (includes up to 5 hours technical processing)
Significant natural areas (SNA's) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erection of fences or other minor works within the dripline of an SNA which requires some removal of the bush Trimming/fencing of the boundary line (application to establish and fence an SNA boundary line) Indigenous vegetation disturbance within an SNA (OL60 New Plymouth District Plan) 	No set base fee for non-notified applications, additional charges will apply for external and specialist inputs if required
Category A Heritage Buildings Alterations and additions to heritage buildings and items (OL36 New Plymouth District Plan)	\$1,153.00 base fee A decision to reimburse resource consent fees can be made at the discretion of NPDC. Eligibility and assessment criteria apply
Notable trees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to or within the dripline of a notable tree (OL43-49; OS4, 50, 51, 61 New Plymouth District Plan) Removal or destruction of a notable tree (OL50, OS62 New Plymouth District Plan) 	\$1,153.00 base fee (includes up to 5 hours technical processing)
Waahi Taonga/Sites of Significance to Māori Erection of fences and other structures and earthworks (OL83, 84, 86 New Plymouth District Plan)	\$612.00 base fee for non-notified applications, additional charges will apply for external and specialist inputs if required
Relocation of buildings From within the district (Res19, Rur33, Bus23, OS19 New Plymouth District Plan) From outside the district (Res19, Rur33, Bus23, OS19 New Plymouth District Plan)	\$1,153.00 base fee (includes up to 5 hours technical processing) \$1,285.00 base fee (includes up to 5 hours technical processing)
Temporary events Operation of a temporary event in accordance with the controlled temporary event provisions Temporary event bonds (if required)	\$324.00 \$70.00
Deemed permitted activities (boundary/marginal/temporary activity)	\$408.00 set fee
Controlled activity Single rule	\$960.00 base fee (includes up to 4 hours technical processing)
Controlled or restricted discretionary activity Up to two rules not met Three to five rules not met More than five rules not met	\$1,256.00 base fee (includes up to 5.5 hours technical processing) \$1,795.00 base fee (includes up to 8.5 hours technical processing) \$3,329.00 base fee (includes up to 16 hours technical processing)
Land use consents Limited notification Publicly notified	\$6,426.00 base fee (includes up to 32 hours technical processing) \$9,690.00 base fee (includes up to 32 hours technical processing)
Pre-application process Development enquiries or meetings and related work	\$183.60 per hour (no charge for first 30 minutes)
Further RMA processes Extensions of consent lapse period, change or cancellation of conditions Review of conditions (s128) Surrender a resource consent (s128) Objections to conditions (s357)	\$918.00 base fee \$357.00 actual cost \$357.00 fixed fee \$544.00 base fee

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Activity	Charge
Monitoring and compliance (excluding deemed permitted activity consents)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File keeping, communications, meetings, research, site visit time Specialist inputs 	\$183.00 per hour at cost Actual cost plus 10%
Monitoring programme fee (to be paid at time of application lodgement)	
Controlled activities including those with no application fee	\$85.00 base fee
Restricted Discretionary and Discretionary activities including those with no application fee and designations	\$177.00 base fee
Certificates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate of Compliance Existing use certificates 	\$1,153.00 base fee (includes up to 5 hours technical processing)
Sale of liquor - new or reapproval with changes	\$427.00 fixed fee
Sale of liquor - reapproval with no changes	\$214.00 fixed fee
Overseas Investment Certificate	\$535.50 fixed fee
Designations	
Notice of requirement for a new designation (s168 or s168(a))	\$6,303.00
Alteration of a designation (other than a notice under s181(3))	\$6,303.00
Notice of a requirement for an alteration under s181(3)	\$1,146.00 base fee
Notice to withdraw requirement under s168(4)	\$510.00 fixed fee
Notice to remove a designation	\$510.00 fixed fee
Application for an outline plan	\$1,231.00 base fee
Waiver for an outline plan	\$510.00 fixed fee
Heritage order	
Process review indicates that dependent upon issues, the stance of submitters and process costs can range from \$7,200.00 to greater than \$18,500.00. Actual costs are very difficult to predict. There will usually be additional invoiced costs.	\$7,956.00 base fee (includes up to 30 hours technical processing)
Plan changes	
Process review indicates that the cost of most plan changes is significant. The deposit (base fee) is set at a minimal level and there will usually be additional invoiced costs.	\$20,167.00 base fee (includes up to 30 hours technical processing)
Charges for information requests	
Requests for information or research (excludes requests under Official Information and Meetings Act where NPDC policy applies)	At cost
Charges for other inputs	
External inputs - these are NPDC inputs external to the Resource Consents Team	At cost
Specialist inputs - these are inputs external to NPDC such as a facilitator, mediator, commissioner, legal, technical advice on matters such as hazardous substances, noise and landscapes	Actual cost plus 10%
Inspection of building to be relocated outside the district	\$260.00
Pre-application fee, including request for bond reconciliation	\$260.00
Processing team hourly rates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development Engineer Administration - includes front of house and support services Technical - includes environmental planners, technical officers and monitoring officers 	\$180.00 per hour \$139.00 per hour \$184.00 per hour
Development Contributions (refer to the Policy on Development Contributions in the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028)	
Development contributions are collected to ensure that infrastructure and community facilities support the needs of the growing community and that the costs of new development are shared by developers rather than being funded entirely by ratepayers.	
Development contributions are required if a development:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Increases demand on stormwater, wastewater, water or road assets, or increases the demand for community facilities; and Is a new residential, commercial, retail or industrial development. 	
These are to be paid prior to the commencement of the consented activity or within 180 days of consent being granted, whichever comes first.	