Essential Freshwater

Intensive Winter Grazing



Was intensive winter grazing carried out on the farm between 2014 and 2019?

(The 'reference period')

YES NO

Will your winter crops extend beyond the maximum area used for intensive winter grazing in 2014-2019?





Do you meet all these criteria?

- Intensive winter grazing area is no larger than 50ha or 10% (whichever is greater) and no more area than in the past five -year period (2014-2019)
- The slope of the paddock is less than 10 degrees, measured over any 20metre distance.
- Livestock are kept at least 5 metres away from a river, lake, wetland or drain.
- All critical source areas are excluded from grazing, and vegetation (not comprising an annual forage crop) maintained as ground cover.





Permitted Activity



No resource consent is required.

AND

You also need to minimise pugging and resow the paddock as soon as practicable after livestock have finished grazing the area. Your Council might ask you or information to show that you meet these requirements.

Discretionary activity

A resource consent is required.

Restricted discretionary activity

A resource consent is required.

Already wintering? Check with Council for what you need to do to apply for a consent.

Consider adverse effects on:

- Ecosystems and water bodies
- Ability of people to safely come into contact with the water
- Māori cultural values
- Susceptibility of land to erode/lose sediment
- Mitigation proposed



Obtain a certified Freshwater Farm Plan once available.

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