17.10 **RECREATION ZONE RULES**

Refer to Policy sets 6.7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 11.1, 11.2, 12.1, 14.1 - 14.4.

17.10.1 Scope of Section

This section deals with land uses in the Recreation Zone. Subdivisions are dealt with in Chapter 16.3. Information required with resource consent applications is detailed in Chapter 19.

Advice Note: The Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Freshwater) Regulations 2020 may apply to some activities, including farming activities and activities in or near wetlands and rivers. The National Environmental Standard may alter the activity status of an activity and impose additional standards, information requirements, matters for assessment and criteria. Please ensure you have met any requirements in the regulations in addition to those in this plan.

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17.10.2 Land Use

17.10.2.1 Permitted Activities (Land Use)

Any land use is a permitted activity that may be undertaken without a resource consent, if it complies with the following conditions:

Activities

- (a) The activity is one of the following:
 - indoor or outdoor sporting and recreation activity; (i)
 - (ii) public gardens;
 - playground, picnic facility or public shelters; (iii)
 - (iv) public car park, walkway or cycleway;
 - (v) craft fair, gala or fête;
 - (va) public toilets; Op 6/23
 - (vb) a public refuse or recycling collection facility of less than 5 square metres in base area and less than 1.8 metres in height
 - (vi) buildings for any of the above activities, or for purposes accessory to the above activities, and for the storage of equipment for reserve maintenance.
 - C73 (vii) an activity consistent with any reserve management plan approved for the land Op 6/23 under the Reserves Act or any subsequent legislation.

Noise

C10 10/07 (b) Except in the Richmond West Development Area, noise generated by the activity, when measured at or within the notional boundary of any dwelling in a Recreation Zone, Rural Zone (other than any dwelling on the site from which the noise is being C19 5/10 generated), Rural Residential, Papakainga or Tourist Services zone, or at or within any site within a Residential Zone, does not exceed:

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Day Night

55 dBA 40 dBA Leq Lmax 70 dBA

Except that this condition does not apply to all noise from any intermittent or temporary rural activity, including noise from:

- (i) mobile horticultural and agricultural equipment;
- (ii) forest and tree harvesting activities;

(iii) animals, except when associated with intensive livestock farming and animal boarding activities;

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(iv) bird scarers and hail cannons.

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N.B. Day = 7.00 am to 9.00 pm Monday to Friday inclusive and 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Saturdays (but excluding public holidays).

Night = All other times, plus public holidays.

Noise must be measured and assessed in accordance with the provisions of NZS 6801:2008 *Acoustics - Measurement of Environmental Sound* and NZS 6802:2008 *Acoustics - Environmental Noise*.

(c) In the Area Recreation Zone located in the Richmond West Development, noise generated by the activity when measured at or within the notional boundary of any dwelling in a Recreation Zone (other than any dwelling on the site from which the noise is being generated), Rural 2, Open Space or Mixed Business Zone, or at or within any site within a Residential Zone, does not exceed:

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| | Day | Night |
|-----------|--------|--------|
| L_{eq} | 55 dBA | 40 dBA |
| L_{max} | | 70 dBA |

N.B. Day = 7.00 am to 9.00 pm Monday to Friday inclusive and 7.00 am to

6.00 pm Saturday (but excluding public holidays).

Night = All other times plus public holidays.

Noise must be measured and assessed in accordance with the provisions of NZS 6801:2008 *Acoustics - Measurement of Environmental Sound* and NZS 6802:2008 *Acoustics - Environmental Noise*.

Amenity Plantings

- (d) Amenity plantings 1 metre wide are provided between parking areas and public roads. Plantings consist of species that, at maturity, will screen all buildings from the adjoining residential sites.
- (e) In the Richmond West Development Area, all amenity plantings located within 20 metres from the centreline of the electricity transmission lines as shown on the planning maps are designed to ensure:
 - (i) access to support structures is retained; and
 - (ii) the mature height of the vegetation maintains at least a 4-metre vertical and an 8-metre horizontal separation from all conductors.

Light and Glare Overspill

(f) Lighting erected on site is designed, installed and maintained so that light source is not visible from adjacent roads.

Stormwater

(g) (i) Either:

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All stormwater from buildings and impervious surfaces is discharged to a Council-maintained stormwater drainage network that has the capacity to receive the additional stormwater; or

The discharge complies with section 36.4 of this Plan; and

(ii) All stormwater drainage features that form part of the stormwater drainage network are physically and legally protected from future development that may adversely affect the efficient functioning of the network.

17.10.2.2 Restricted Discretionary Activities (Land Use)

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Any land use that does not comply with condition (e) of rule 17.10.2.1 is a restricted discretionary activity.

A resource consent is required. Consent may be refused or conditions imposed, only in respect of the following matter to which Council has restricted its discretion:

Amenity Plantings

(1) In the Richmond West Development Area, the extent to which amenity plantings are designed so that adverse effects on the National Grid and public safety are appropriately avoided, remedied or mitigated.

17.10.2.2 Discretionary Activities (Land Use)

Any land use that does not comply with the conditions of rules 17.10.2.1 and 17.10.2.2 is a discretionary activity.

A resource consent is required and may include conditions.

17.10.3 Building Construction or Alteration

17.10.3.1 Permitted Activities (Building Construction or Alteration)

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Construction or alteration of a building is a permitted activity that may be undertaken without a resource consent, if it complies with the following conditions:

- (a) The activity is not the construction or alteration of any building in, or 10 metres from:
 - (i) the boundary of any indicative road or indicative reserve

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- (ii) any amenity planting setback in the Richmond West Development Area;
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- (iii) the 10-metre wide reserve through the Recreation Zone adjoining the Rural 2 and Open Space zones.

Except in regard to item (i) above:

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- (1) This condition does not apply once the road or reserve intended to be established by the indicative road or indicative reserve is shown on a Land Transfer Plan and a s224 certificate pursuant to section 224 of the Resource Management Act 1991 has been issued by Council for the subdivision concerned; except that if the certificate pursuant to section 224 of the Resource Management Plan lapses, then this rule shall apply.
- (2) No building setback is required under this condition on properties which do not have the indicative road or indicative reserve shown within that property's boundaries.
- (3) No building setback is required in the Pohara area between Richmond Road and Falconer Road.

Setback

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(b) Buildings are set back at least 3 metres from any boundary.

Height

(c) The maximum height of any building is 10 metres, subject to condition 16.6.2.1(k).

Building Envelope

(d) No building projects beyond a building envelope constructed by daylight admission lines commencing from points 2.5 metres above ground level from all side and rear boundaries. The angle is calculated according to the elevation calculator in Schedule 17.1A.

Building Coverage

(e) Maximum building coverage is 20 percent.

Electricity Transmission Corridor

(f) In the Richmond West Development Area, buildings are set back at least 20 metres from the centreline of the electricity transmission line as shown on the planning maps.

17.10.3.2 Restricted Discretionary Activities (Building Construction or Alteration)

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Construction and alteration of a building that does not comply with condition (f) of rule 17.10.3.1 is a restricted discretionary activity.

A resource consent is required. Consent may be refused or conditions imposed, only in respect of the following matter to which Council has restricted its discretion:

- (1) In the Richmond West Development Area:
 - (a) the extent to which buildings comply with the safe distance requirements of the New Zealand Electrical Code of Practice for Safe Distances (NZECP 34:2001);
 - (b) the extent to which buildings are set back from high voltage transmission lines to ensure adverse effects on the National Grid and public safety are appropriately avoided, remedied or mitigated.

17.10.20 Principal Reasons for Rules

These rules provide for a wide range of recreational activities subject to performance standards to avoid adverse effects on neighbours.

There are limitations on the scale, coverage and nature of buildings. Landscaping, height, setback and building envelope rules are imposed to manage visual effects of parking areas and buildings.

Noise levels are the same as the Residential Zone at night but are slightly higher during the daytime because of the nature of the activities that take place in the zone.