

Key Dates - National Environmental Regulations for Farmers

Note: this summary does not include any regional or district specific regulations. Correct at time of print (Sept 2021). Refer to website for current version - <https://Rav.link/NatReg>



KEY:

- Your agri manager can assist with strategies for N-use to suit your farm.
- Keep a digital record of your nutrient orders with HawkEye by Ravensdown.
- Use our planners to assist with resource consent advice, assessments and applications.

- Consent required for land use intensification (i.e. forestry to pasture, expansion of dairy, dairy support irrigation for dairy or intensive winter grazing).
- Consents are required for feedlots.
- Natural wetland management rules apply.
- Consent required for reclamation of rivers.
- Requirements for fish passage apply (in relation to culverts, dams and fords).
- Stock exclusion from any natural wetland on a newly developed farm.
- Stock exclusion from any lake or river larger than 1m wide on a newly developed farm.
- Synthetic nitrogen (N) fertiliser cap of 190kg N/ha/yr applies to pastoral land use.
- Consent may be required for stock holding areas.
- Regulations for the storage of tyres outdoors apply (20 cubic metres or more).
- Twenty-five per cent of farmers should know their Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emission number and have a written plan in place to measure and manage their GHGs.
- Final date dairy farmers can submit their N fertiliser use to their regional council for 2021/22.
- Water permit holders must provide electronic records for water takes (20L or more per second).
- Proposed date winter grazing restrictions apply. Under consultation, consent may be required.
- All farmers are required to know their GHG emission numbers.

Notes



- Dairy cattle and pigs must be excluded from all lakes and waterways over 1m wide.
- Beef cattle and deer that are break-fed, fed on annual forage crops or irrigated pasture must be excluded from all lakes and waterways over 1m wide.
- All cattle, deer and pigs must be excluded from natural wetlands identified in a regional or district plan as of 3 September 2020.
- Final date dairy farmers can submit their N fertiliser use to their regional council for 2022/23.
- Final date dairy farmers can submit their N fertiliser use to their regional council for 2023/24.
- Water permit holders must provide electronic records for water takes (10L or more per second).
- All regional councils are to have publicly notified plan changes to give effect to the National Policy Statement for Freshwater 2020.
- Nominal date for Freshwater Farm Plans. Required by all farms with 5ha or more of horticultural land and all farms with 20ha or more of pastoral, arable or any combination of pastoral, arable or horticultural land.
- All farmers must have a written plan in place to measure and manage their greenhouse gas emissions.
- Dairy support cattle excluded from all lakes and waterways larger than 1m wide.
- Beef cattle and deer excluded from all lakes and waterways larger than 1m wide on 'low slope' land. Under consultation, to be confirmed.
- All cattle, deer and pigs excluded from all wetlands that supports a population of threatened species.
- All cattle, deer and pigs excluded from all wetlands identified in a regional plan that became operative after 3 September 2020.
- All cattle, deer and pigs excluded from all wetlands larger than 0.05ha on 'low slope' land.
- Final date dairy farmers can submit their N fertiliser use to their regional council for 2024/25.
- Final date dairy farmers can submit their N fertiliser use to their regional council for 2025/26.
- Water permit holders must provide electronic records for water takes (5L or more per second).

Talk to the team that works for you, your Ravensdown agri manager or the Customer Centre on 0800 100 123.