

APPENDIX 1

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES PURSUANT TO SECTION 36 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

SCHEDULE 1

SCALE OF CHARGES FOR STAFF TIME

The fixed charges are as follows:

Level 1	Senior Management	\$240.00 per hour
Level 2	Managers/Supervisors	\$110.00 per hour
Level 3	Professional Staff	\$80.00 per hour
Level 4	Technical Staff	\$65.00 per hour
Level 5	Support Staff	\$65.00 per hour

EXPLANATION

This scale of charges is used to calculate the Council's actual and reasonable costs when carrying out functions under the Resource Management Act 1991. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed any specified charges, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991. Staff time is recovered at the charge appropriate to the task which they are undertaking. The charges are calculated as per the IPENZ method with a multiplier of 2.1. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2009.

SCHEDULE 2

FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR THE PREPARATION OR CHANGE OF POLICY STATEMENT OR PLANS AND THE PROCESSING OF RESOURCE CONSENTS

Request for preparation or change to a plan/policy statement	\$5,000.00
For non-notified consents	\$450.00
For notified consents	\$1,100.00
Renewal, change or review of consent:	
Non-notified	\$450.00
Notified and limited notified	\$1,100.00
Extension of a consent lapsed due to non-exercise	\$325.00
Certificate of compliance	\$325.00
Transfer of consent to another party	\$65.00

EXPLANATION

Applicants, in accordance with Council policy, are required, where necessary, to pay all actual and reasonable charges for staff time, consultants, hearing costs, plant and laboratory analyses where these costs exceed the fixed minimum charges set out in Schedule 2. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2009.

SCHEDULE 3

SCALE OF CHARGES FOR THE USE OF PLANT

Tandem trailer	\$25.00 per day
Single axle trailer	\$20.00 per day
Mac boat and motor	\$200.00 per day
Aluminium boat (with motor)	\$50.00 per day
Motorbike	\$20.00 per day
Quad bike	\$40.00 per day
Timms kill traps	\$20.00 refundable bond
Airchek air sampling pump	\$10.00 per day
Automatic water quality samplers	\$50.00 per day
Suspended particulate sampler	\$30.00 per hour
Deposition gauge	\$30.00 per month
Drager air sampler	\$30.00 per sample
Electric fishing equipment	\$100.00 per day
Electrical submersible pump	\$50.00 per day
Gastec air sampler	\$30.00 per sample
Hydrological gauging equipment	\$50.00 gauging

Groundwater probe	\$100.00 per day
In stream temperature monitor	\$250.00 per year
Stack air sampling kits	\$160.00 per day
Digital video survey	\$30.00 per day
Portable wind logger	\$350.00 per month
Global positioning system	\$20.00 per day
Vandorn sampler	\$20.00 per day
Survey equipment	\$50 per day
Sound system	\$120 per day
Portable (12v) groundwater pump	\$120 per day
Multigas monitor	\$60 per deployment
Passive absorption disks	\$170 per sample
Dast Trak monitor	\$100 per day
Materials supplied where applicable, e.g., chemicals	Cost + 20%

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SCHEDULE 4

FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR LABORATORY ANALYSES

Test	
pH	\$11
Alkalinity	\$15
Acidity	\$15
Conductivity	\$11
Salinity	\$11
Turbidity	\$11
Absorbance – filtered	\$11
Hardness	\$15
Boron	\$25
Chloride	\$19
Sulphate	\$25
Sulphide	\$19
Fluoride	\$19
Silica	\$19
Chlorine (colorimetry)	\$25
Chlorine (kit)	\$15
Formaldehyde (colorimetry)	\$25
Formaldehyde (kit)	\$15
Total solids	\$30
Nitrogen – Ammonia	\$19
Nitrogen – Nitrite	\$19
Nitrogen – Nitrate	\$25
Nitrogen – Urea	\$25
Nitrogen – Total	\$35
Phosphorus – total	\$25
Phosphorus – reactive dissolved	\$19
Settleable solids	\$11
Suspended solids	\$25
Total grease	\$67
Floatable grease	\$73
Oil and grease, or hydrocarbons	\$67
Hydrocarbons and oil and grease	\$73
Chlorophyll	\$37

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Cyanide (total)	\$61
Phenol (total)	\$61
Methanol	\$37
Biochemical oxygen demand – clean water	\$37
Biochemical oxygen demand – wastewater	\$73
Biochemical oxygen demand – filtered BOD – clean water	\$48
Biochemical oxygen demand – filtered BOD – wastewater	\$84
Chemical oxygen demand – filtered	\$48
Chemical oxygen demand – total	\$37
Dissolved oxygen – Winkler	\$17
Metals – direct soluble/acid soluble (includes cations)	\$15
Metals – total	\$37
Mercury – total	\$61
Arsenic – total	\$61
Silver (total recoverable)	\$37
Vanadium (gallic acid)	\$37

BACTERIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS

Water/Wastewater (Membrane filtration)	
Faecal coliforms or E.coli	\$25
Faecal coliforms and E.coli	\$31
Water/Wastewater – Enterococci	\$31
Water/Wastewater/sediment (most probable number)	
Faecal coliforms	\$73
Enterococci	\$73
Shellfish (most probable number)	\$86

SOIL ANALYSES

Sample preparation	\$5
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EXPLANATION

This schedule sets out the fixed minimum charges for laboratory analyses, and is also a scale of charges that will be used to calculate the Council's actual and reasonable costs when carrying out functions under the Resource Management Act 1991. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed charges in this schedule, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991. An explanation of the methods used for laboratory analyses is available on request. Charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2009.

SCHEDULE 5

FIXED ANNUAL MONITORING CHARGES FOR ACTIVITIES WITH TAILORED COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAMMES 2009/2010

SEWERAGE DISCHARGES

Stratford Mountain House Ltd	Mt Taranaki	\$796
Dawson Falls Ltd	Mt Taranaki	\$796
Department of Conservation	Mt Taranaki	\$1,153
New Plymouth District Council	Inglewood	\$3,769
Stratford District Council	Ponds/Landfill	\$9,819
South Taranaki District Council	Hawera	\$19,068
	Kaponga	\$5,051
	Manaia	\$4,175
	Patea	\$8,874
	Waverley	\$2,939
	Eltham ponds/landfill	\$13,773
	Opunake	\$7,224
	Emergency Discharge	\$3596
New Plymouth Golf Club		\$660
Small Scale sewage treatment systems @ \$105 per site (13)		\$1,365

MARINE DISCHARGES

ANZCO	Waitara	\$2,286
Methanex Motunui and Waitara Valley		\$12,017
New Plymouth District Council	Carousel Plant	\$16,143
Waitara Outfall Management Bd	Waitara Outfall	\$15,745
New Plymouth District Council	Waitara Municipal Effluent	\$6,824
	Urenui/Onaero Beach camps	\$2,323
	Todd Energy Aquatic Centre	\$1,652
Wai-iti Beach Partnership	Wai-iti Beach Camp	\$1,000
South Taranaki District Council	Wai-inu Township	\$1,637

LANDFILLS

New Plymouth District Council		
	Colson Road	\$23,399
	Waitara	\$0
	Inglewood	\$7,578
	Okoki/Tongaporutu	\$0
	Okato	\$1,638
	Marfell/Oakura	\$1,335
Stratford District Council	Pukengahu/Huroa	\$0
South Taranaki District Council	Opunake	\$2,529
	Hawera	\$4,574
	Otakeho	\$0
	Central Landfill	\$7,702
	Manaia	\$3,659
	Patea Landfill	\$2,227
	Patea Beach	\$1,370
	Kaponga	\$0
Waverly Sawmills		\$5,349

CLEANFILLS

Bishop (Ahu Ahu Road)		\$1,005
Riddick EE	New Plymouth	\$960
Bailey J & C	New Plymouth	\$1,140
Harris G	New Plymouth	\$915
Inframax Construction	New Plymouth	\$645
AA Contracting	New Plymouth	\$1,005
Grant Allen		\$960
Works		\$2,010
Purvis		\$590
River Island Shingle		\$857
Taranaki Trucking		\$565
Ward		\$575
Bishop (Durham Road)		\$1,005
Green Waste 2008 composting		\$590
AJ Crowley		\$1,454
Earthworks		\$780
Gilray		\$960
Marsh		\$960
O'Leary		\$850
Value Timber		\$1,264

DAIRY PROCESSING

Fonterra (Whareroa)	Whareroa	\$52,650
Fonterra (Kapuni)	Kapuni	\$42,524
Taranaki Milk Products	Okato	\$3,321

MUNICIPAL ABSTRACTION/WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

New Plymouth District Council	Various	\$8,710
Stratford District Council	Various	\$2,917

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South Taranaki District Council	Various	\$13,101	Tegel Foods Ltd		\$11,444
Oaonui Water Supply Ltd	Various	\$467	MI New Zealand Ltd		\$2,729
Nukumaru Water Supply Scheme		\$500	Natural Gas Corporation		\$1,181
JOINT MONITORING PROGRAMMES					
HONGIHONGI AND HEREKAWE CATCHMENTS (NEW PLYMOUTH)					
Bulk Storage Terminals Ltd		\$2,050	Schlumberger Seaco Ltd		\$2,561
Methanex Motunui Ltd		\$1,836	Greymouth Petroleum Ltd		\$3,121
Mobil Oil NZ Ltd		\$1,217	Halliburton		\$3,570
New Zealand Oil Services		\$2,434	WAITAHA CATCHMENT (BELL BLOCK)		
Shell Todd Oil Services Ltd		\$6,243	Weatherford Ltd		\$4,027
Liquigas		\$1,217	Onyx Group Ltd		\$2,690
Fonterra		\$1,060	C & O Concrete Products Ltd		\$1,233
Chevron NZ		\$2,009	Dynea Ltd		\$7,221
KAHOURI CATCHMENT (STRATFORD)					
Contact Energy		\$1,124	New Plymouth District Council		\$1,686
Egmont Tanneries Ltd		\$1,081	Parker Drilling International of NZ Ltd		\$1,377
Firth Industries Ltd		\$999	Taranaki Sawmills Ltd		\$3,016 (\$4,086#)
Taranaki Abattoirs Company Ltd		\$6,891	Taranaki Nuchem		\$782
Taranaki Galvanizers Ltd		\$1,303	TBS		\$2,167 (\$3,357#)
Transpower NZ Ltd		\$1,336	PETROCHEMICAL		
Ballance Agrinutrients Ltd		\$1,311	Todd Taranaki Ltd	McKee/Mangahewa	\$8,976
LOWER WAIWHAKAIHO CATCHMENT (NEW PLYMOUTH)					
Allied Concrete Ltd		\$1,478	Todd Taranaki Ltd	Deepwell Injection	\$2,926
Firth Industries Ltd		\$1,520	Greymouth Petroleum	Kaimiro/Ngatoro	\$17,271
New Plymouth District Council		\$7,281	Natural Gas Corporation of NZ Ltd	Kapuni	\$10,401
Toll NZ Ltd		\$3,935	Ballance Agri-Nutrients Ltd	Kapuni	\$21,917
PCL Industries Ltd		\$2,876	Solexin Industries Ltd	Waitara	\$784
Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd		\$7,333	Geary R & S	Manutahi	\$3,700
Taranaki Sawmills Ltd		\$8,108	Swift Energy NZ Ltd	Rimu	\$6,212
Technix Group		\$2,117	Greymouth Petroleum	Deep Well Injection	\$3,498
Works Infrastructure Ltd		\$2,146	Shell Todd Oil Services	Deep Well Injection	\$2,991
Nankervis Family Trust		\$1,746	Shell Todd Oil Services	Pohokura PS/Offshore	\$7,898
Freight & Bulk		\$627	Origen	Deep Well Injection	\$3,561
LOWER WAIWHAKAIHO AIRSHED (NEW PLYMOUTH)					
Clelands Timber		\$297	Greymouth Petroleum	Surrey	\$1,500
Fitzroy Engineering		\$4,566	Austral Pacific	Cheal	\$3,414
PCL Industries Ltd		\$1,824	Greymouth Petroleum	Hawera Landfarm	\$5,670
Ravensdown	\$3,097 (\$3,587#)		Austral Pacific Energy	Kahili Production Well	\$540 (\$2,252)
Katere Surface Coatings		\$1,230	Vector	Kahili Separation Plant	\$540 (\$2,252)
Works Infrastructure	\$3,952 (\$7,397#)		Remediation NZ	Uruti	\$15,940
Taranaki Drum and Pallet Recycling		\$560	Austral Pacific	Deepwell Injection	\$1,681
TAWHITI STREAM					
Silver Ferns Farms Ltd		\$6,339	Shell Exploration NZ Ltd	Deepwell Injection	\$2,846
Graeme Lowe		\$4,772	Energy Services International		\$812
Fish and Game Taranaki		\$759	Greymouth Petroleum	Moturoa-2	\$540 (\$2,518)
MANGATI CATCHMENT (BELL BLOCK)					
ABB Transformers Ltd		\$3,966	Greymouth Petroleum	Turangi	\$5,956
Clark & Rogers Ltd		\$4,458	Shell Todd Oil Services	Maui	\$8,808 (\$8,818#)
Conveyorquip		\$510	Shell Todd Oil Services	Kapuni	\$8,252
Hooker Bros		\$1,222	Austral Pacific Energy (NZ) Ltd	Cardiff	\$380 (\$2,260)
MCK Metals Pacific Ltd		\$6,099	Swift Energy NZ Ltd	Schrider	\$4,180
New Plymouth District Council		\$2,754	Swift Energy	Waihapa	\$10,128
Olex Cables Ltd		\$2,869	Swift Energy	Kauri C – Spence Rd	\$5,090
Tasman Oil Tools Ltd		\$3,496	Remediation NZ	Deepwell Injection	\$1,221
			Bridge Petroleum Ltd	Waitara	\$2,555
			Origen Energy Resources (Kupe)	Radnor	\$380 (\$5,294)
			Boyd Land Treatment Site		\$25,455
			Methanex Waitara Valley		\$29,810
			Miscellaneous Mix-Bury Cover – 5 consent holders		\$0
			Shell Todd Land Treatment/MBC		\$2,595#
			Swift Energy NZ Ltd	Brown Road	\$3,275
			Origen Energy	MBC & Land treatment	\$2,360
					\$3,495

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INDUSTRY			QUARRIES		
DowAgro Sciences (NZ) Ltd	New Plymouth	\$27,227	Williams Sandblasting		\$115
MCK Metals Pacific Ltd	Bell Block	\$12,961	Stratford District Council		\$80
Pacific Natural Gut Ltd	Manaia	\$1,070	Stratford High School		\$80
Port Taranaki Ltd/Downer EDI		\$3,300	South Taranaki District Council		\$160
Osflo		\$780	Pungarehu Community		\$80
Cheswood Estate NZ Ltd		\$350 (\$910#)	New Plymouth Girls' High School		\$80
MEAT PROCESSING			Transpower NZ Ltd		\$352
Riverlands Eltham Ltd	Eltham	\$27,619	Sandford Brothers Ltd	Hawera	\$352
Taranaki By-Products Ltd	Okaiawa	\$65,982 (\$101,681#)	Sandford Brothers Ltd	Auroa	\$352
Taranaki By-Products Ltd (Air)		\$16,925 (\$42,275#)	Berridge Petfood		\$115
Silver Ferns Farms	Waitotara	\$6,650	Summit Quinphos		\$115
PIGGERIES			Pomeroy & Green		\$115
D H Lepper		\$2,840	D G & M I Nelley		\$115
Meadowvale		\$3,645	Fulton Hogan		\$115
Aorere Farms		\$655	L A Chatterton		\$115
ENERGY			Opunake Artificial Reef		\$10,820
Contact Energy Ltd	New Plymouth	\$7,125	Okato Bus Lines		\$352
NZ Energy	Waiaua	\$8,020	Kibby's Metal processing		\$115
Trustpower-Taranaki Generation	Mangorei	\$15,915	Ministry of Education	Spotswood College	\$115
Trustpower-Taranaki Generation	Motukawa	\$21,327	Soda Blast Ltd		\$115
Trustpower-Taranaki Generation	Rotorangi	\$17,324	Transpacific Industrial Solutions		\$115
Contact Energy Ltd	Stratford	\$27,093	Independent Blast Services		\$115
Trustpower-Taranaki Gen	Patea below dam	\$8,140	Blastways Ltd		\$115
AIR CONSENTS			Firth		\$462
Blasting			Allied Concrete		\$462
WATER TAKE			Port Taranaki Dredging		\$12,175
Alma Trust	Waipuku	\$520	Hawera Rewinds		\$115
Awatea Hawkes Bay Trust		\$230	Powerco		\$352
OTHER			ANZCO		\$115
New Plymouth Crematorium	Mangamahoe	\$3,180	Farm Fuel Safety and Tank Maintenance		\$115
New Plymouth District Council (Coastal Works)		\$3,860	Arabac Aerial Abseil Access		\$115
South Taranaki District Council (Coastal Works)		\$3,240	MacKenzie Construction Ltd		\$115
Chilcroft Ltd/Stadden Rise		\$145	Bowick Soda Blast Taranaki		\$115
C C Bishop		\$115	Transpower NZ Ltd		\$115
Mitchfarm Ltd		\$115	Ngarongo Trusts Partnership		\$115
Inglewood Golf Club		\$115	QUARRIES		
Waitara Golf Club		\$115	AA Contracting Ltd	Lepperton	\$625
Manaia Golf Club		\$115	Brian Crawford Contracting	Upper Newall Rd	\$480
Kaitaki Golf Club		\$115	Bourke D M	Normanby	\$545
Te Ngutu Golf Club		\$115	C Boyd	Norfolk Road	\$680
Manukorihī Golf Club		\$115	Burgess & Crowley Ltd	Toko	\$800
Little Knoll Greenhouses		\$115	Egmont Stone Ltd	Urenui	\$345
Lander		\$115	Hurlstone Earthmoving Ltd	Egmont Road	\$1,250
Hawera Golf Club		\$115	Hurlstone Earthmoving Ltd	Kaipī Road	\$1,195
Westown Golf Club		\$115	Inglewood Metal Ltd	Everett Park	\$3,627
Crawford A M & T F Trust		\$115	Murray Phillips Bulldozing Ltd	Manaia	\$400
Taranaki Abattoir Company		\$115	GR & LJ Jones	Brixton	\$735
Ian Cassie		\$115	New Plymouth Quarries Ltd	Waiwhakaihō	\$1,210
Edmonds Industrial Coatings Ltd		\$115	South Rd Quarries	Tokaora	\$817
D Hill		\$115	Origin Energy Resources	Hawera	\$625
Independent Services		\$115	Taranaki Trucking Co Ltd	Wiremu Road	\$697
Blast It		\$115	Taunt L	Bird Road	\$335
Energyworks		\$115	Vickers Quarries Ltd	Midhirst (2 sites)	\$1,090
Hurlstone Earthmoving		\$115	Vickers Quarries Ltd	Toko	\$800
			Wallis R A Ltd	Matapu	\$560
			Wallis R A Ltd	Okaiawa	\$545
			Winstone Aggregates Ltd	Opunake	\$1,115
			Whitaker Civil Engineering	Waiahakaihō Rd	\$1,170
			Taranaki Trucking Co Ltd	Kaponga	\$615
			Ferndene Quarries Ltd		\$845

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Surf Highway Excavators		\$465
Gully Rock Ltd		\$545
Fulton Hogan	Okato	\$790
Hey Trust		\$360
Waverley Bulk Transport		\$800
T R Jane		\$800

IRRIGATION SCHEMES

A & A Fleming/Kinaki Trust		\$950#
GD & HM McCallum	Inaha	\$961#
A & EN Barkla	Inaha	\$975#
Kaihihi Trust	Kaihihi	\$975#
RJ & SB Richards Family Trust	Kaikura	\$975#
KG & CJ Sole	Kapoaiaia	\$375#
H & RA & J Sanderson	Kaupokonui	\$975#
CT McDonald	Mangaroa	\$975#
Schrider Family Trust	Mangaroa	\$975#
AI & KJ Williams	Matanehunehu	\$975#
Sanderson H & RA Trust	Otakeho	\$975#
Woollaston Family Trust Partnership	Patea	\$455#
PG & BM Bourke	Punehu	\$455#
GA & RJ Dorn	Punehu	\$975#
Julian RM & MC Family Trust	Taungatara	\$975#
Geary RA Trust	Waikaikai	\$975#
Walker & McLean Partnership	Waiokura	\$975#
Kohi Beach Farm Ltd	Wairoa	\$975#
Dickie Roger Family Trust	Wairoa	\$975#
L D & S E Adamson	Waitotara	\$975#
NRGE Farms	Waiweranui	\$975#
Kohi Meats Limited	Whenuakura	\$975#
New Plymouth Golf Club		\$975#
WM & MP Schrader		\$975#
Cornwall farms		\$455#
Kohi Investments Ltd	Whenuakura	\$975#
J R & D M Baker - Take	Whenuakura	\$455#
J R & D M Baker - Bore	Whenuakura	\$1,026#
Mara Trust	Kaihihi	\$975#
Hamblyn Family Trust	Waitara	\$375#
Cradles Farm Trust No. 2	Whenuakura	\$688#
G W & V S Gibbs	Waiokura	\$975#
D R & A J Gibson	Otahi	\$975#
Goodin F J & Sons Ltd	Kaihihi	\$975#
K L Gray	Kaihihi	\$975#
T R Jane	Manganui	\$455#
Jordan JA & MP Trusts partnership	Hauroto	\$975#
N A & K M McColl	Chapmans	\$975#
Waikaikai Farms Ltd	Waikaikai	\$975#
Ionic Farm	Ouri	\$975#
Pihama Farms Ltd	Oeo	\$975#
Quintus Family Trust	Whenuakura	\$608#
Ellingworth Margaret Trust		\$975#
Hilldale Trust		\$455#
Jimian Limited		\$975#
Morrison – (Water)		\$975#
Morrison – (Bore)		\$688#
Pinehill Land Company Limited		\$975#
David Pease Family Trust		\$975#
Leighurst Lands Limited		\$975#
Waimate Fields Limited		\$895#
Waiwira Trust		\$975#
Irrigation (otherwise not monitored)		\$2,300#

EXPLANATION

The Council's fixed minimum charges for activities with tailored compliance monitoring programmes are presented in various groups based on the nature of the discharge and/or type of industry. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991 where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges for staff time, consultants, plant and laboratory analyses set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2009.

Note: # Provisional programme as consent may not be exercised, or programme implemented in part, so charge may be reduced.

SCHEDULE 6

FIXED MINIMUM CHARGES FOR MONITORING WHERE NO TAILORED COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAMME EXISTS

The fixed charge for annual compliance monitoring inspections is \$115.00.

The fixed charge for once only compliance monitoring inspection is \$115.00.

The fixed charge for reinspection arising from annual or once only compliance monitoring inspections is \$130.00.

EXPLANATION:

The fixed minimum charge for both the annual compliance monitoring inspections and the once only compliance monitoring inspections and re-inspections are based on staff time for a Level 4 Technical Staff. Additional charges may be levied under section 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991 where the Council's actual and reasonable costs exceed the fixed monitoring charge. See the scales of charges for staff time, consultants, plant and laboratory analyses set out in Schedules 1, 3 and 4. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2009.

APPENDIX 2 RATES REMISSION AND POSTPONEMENT POLICY

The rates postponement and remission policy of the Taranaki Regional Council is that of the region's three district councils who collect the rates on the Council's behalf. Whilst these policies differ from council to council, it would be administratively inefficient to adopt uniform policies across the region, and then to require each district council to apply two sets of policies. Accordingly, the rates postponement and remission policies that will be applied are as follows for each of the Taranaki Regional Council's constituencies.

Specific details in relation to each remission and postponement policy can be obtained by reference to the respective district council. That is, in the New Plymouth and North Taranaki constituencies by reference to the New Plymouth District Council, in the Stratford constituency by reference to the Stratford District Council and in the South Taranaki constituency by reference to the South Taranaki District Council.

	New Plymouth and North Taranaki constituencies	Stratford constituency	South Taranaki constituency
Rate remission policy	The Taranaki Regional Council has decided to remit all or part of the rates owed by the ratepayer in respect of rating units covered by this Rates Remission Policy provided that the conditions within this policy have been met. Rates remissions will be provided for the following categories of rating units and under the following circumstances:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • remissions for community and sporting clubs and organisations • remissions for penalties • remissions for land voluntarily/mandatorily protected for natural, historic or cultural conservation purposes • remissions for rates relief in miscellaneous circumstances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • remissions for community, sporting and other organisations • remissions on land subject to an open space covenant • remissions on penalties • remissions on land with a heritage structure on it • remissions on Stratford District Council owned and occupied properties • remissions on sewerage disposal rates for educational establishments • remission for extreme financial hardship • remissions for economic development. <p>Where a rating unit for which the Stratford District Council has granted a rates remission is sold, leased, or otherwise disposed of, the rates remission shall be terminated at the time of disposal. If the new ratepayer qualifies for a rates remission under this policy, it should be up to that ratepayer to apply for a rates remission.</p> <p>The application for rates remission must be made to the Stratford District Council prior to the commencement of the rating year. Applications received during a rating year will be applicable from the commencement of the following rating year. Applications will not be backdated.</p> <p>No remission will be granted on targeted rates for water supply, sewage disposal or refuse collection.</p> <p>Where a rates remission percentage applies, it is calculated on the rates that would be assessed before any application of non-rateable adjustments. (For example, if a property is 50% non-rateable, and receives a 50% remission, then no rates are due).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • remission of rates for community halls • remission of rates for sporting, games, branches of the arts, community care and volunteer organisations • remission of rates on land protected for natural, historical or cultural conservation purposes • remission of penalties • remission of uniform annual general charges on non-contiguous units owned by the same owner. <p>The following percentages will apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% of total rates levied in respect of public halls • 50% of targeted rates only, levied in respect of properties used for games or sports except galloping races, harness races, or greyhound races and who do not hold club licenses under the Sale of Liquor Act 1989 • 50% of total rates levied in respect of properties used for games or sports except galloping races, harness races, or greyhound races and who hold club licenses under the Sale of Liquor Act 1989 • 50% of targeted rates only, levied in respect of properties used by any branch of the arts • 50% of total rates levied in respect of properties qualifying under the categories of community care type or volunteer organisations • 100% of general rates and Uniform Annual General Charges levied in respect of properties qualifying under the category of natural, historical or cultural conservation properties.

APPENDIX 2 RATES REMISSION AND POSTPONEMENT POLICY

	New Plymouth and North Taranaki constituencies	Stratford constituency	South Taranaki constituency
Remission of rates for community, sporting and other organisations	<p>The Council reaffirms its commitment to assist, where practicable, community clubs and organisations in recognition of the valuable "Public Good" contribution made by such organisations to the character and wellbeing of the District.</p> <p>Council may remit rates where land is owned by the Council, or owned and occupied by a charitable organisation, and is used exclusively or principally for sporting, recreation, or community purposes. The policy will not apply to organisations operated for private pecuniary profit, or which charge commercial tuition fees.</p> <p>All applications must be received in writing using the NPDC "Application for Remission" form. Any applications received during a rating year will be applicable from the commencement of the following rating year. No applications will be backdated. Organisations making application should include the following documents in support of their application: statement of objectives, full financial accounts information on activities and programmes and details of membership or clients</p> <p>The policy shall apply to such organisations as approved by the Manager Financial Services and the Manager Revenue and Expenditure as meeting the relevant criteria and the extent of any remission will be determined by those officers.</p> <p>No remission will be granted in respect of those rates referred to in section 9 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 (that is, targeted rates for water supply, sewage disposal or waste collection).</p> <p>Any appeals against the decisions of the Manager Financial Services and Manager Revenue and Expenditure will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination. A summary of remissions must be supplied to the Council on an annual basis.</p>	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission of 100% to all ratepayers who meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy, excluding land in respect of which a club licence under the Sale of Liquor Act 1989 is for the time being in force, which shall receive a 50% remission if the objectives, conditions and criteria are met.</p> <p>Objective. To facilitate the ongoing provision of non-commercial community services and non-commercial recreational opportunities for the residents of Stratford District Council.</p> <p>The purpose of granting rates remission to an organisation is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognise the public good contribution made by such an organisation • assist the organisation's survival • make membership of the organisation more accessible to the general public, particularly disadvantaged groups. These include children, youth, young families, aged people, and economically disadvantaged people. <p>Conditions and criteria. This part of the policy will apply to land:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • owned by the Stratford District Council • owned or occupied by a registered charitable organisation and are responsible for the rates • owned or occupied by a registered non-profit organisation and are responsible for the rates • which is used exclusively or principally for sporting, recreation, or community purposes by that organisation • the land is not used for galloping races, harness races or greyhound races. <p>Note that the Council requires documentary evidence of charitable or non-profit organisational status. This policy does not apply to organisations operated for private pecuniary profit.</p> <p>This policy does not apply to groups or organisations whose primary purpose is to address the needs of adult members (over 18 years) for entertainment or social interaction, or who engage in recreational, sporting, or community services as a secondary purpose only.</p> <p>Organisations making application should include the following documents in support of their application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • statement of objectives • evidence of charitable/non profit status • financial accounts • information on activities and programmes • details on membership or clients. 	<p>The remission of rates for community, sporting and other organisations is to facilitate the ongoing provision of non-commercial community services and non-commercial recreational opportunities for the residents of South Taranaki.</p> <p>The purpose of granting rates remission to an organisation is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognise the public good contribution made by such organisations • assist the organisation's survival • make membership of the organisation more accessible to the general public, particularly disadvantaged groups. These include children, youth, young families, aged people, and economically disadvantaged people. <p>Conditions and Criteria. The remission of rates will apply to land that is used exclusively or principally for sporting, recreation, or community purposes. The policy does not apply to organisations operated for pecuniary profit.</p> <p>The policy does not apply to groups or organisations whose primary purpose is to address the needs of adult members (over 18 years) for entertainment or social interaction, or who engage in recreational, sporting, or community services as a secondary purpose only.</p>

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Remission of rates on land protected for conservation purposes	<p>The objective of this policy is to encourage the protection of significant natural areas by providing rates relief for privately owned land that contains special features voluntarily protected for natural, historic, cultural or conservation purposes.</p> <p>Basis of Remission The remission will be based on the proportion the area protected bears to the total area of the property. Where the protected area is covenanted, the remission will be 100% of the general rate pro-rata as per this proportion; where the protected area is protected by virtue of inclusion in the District Plan but not covenanted, the remission will be 50% of the general rate pro-rata as per this proportion.</p> <p>Remissions granted under this policy do not include targeted rates.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the area of land containing the special features is readily identified and able to be measured the special features are significant in terms of the loss of use or value of the property sustained in retaining the feature the area of land containing the feature is protected to the extent that economic utilisation is at least restricted or the value of the property is significantly affected by the existence of the feature being-protected a heritage building is protected by a legal instrument or agreement the application will be determined by the Manager Financial Services and the Manager Revenue and Expenditure any appeals against the decision will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination remissions granted under this Policy will be reported to the Council on an annual basis. 	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission of 100% to all ratepayers who meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy.</p> <p>Objective. To preserve and promote natural resources and to encourage the protection of land for natural purposes. This policy will support the provisions of the Stratford District Council District Plan 1997.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. This part of the policy will apply to ratepayers who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> own rating units subject to an open space registered on the land title own rating units subject to Clause B2.9 Esplanade Strips, Covenanted Wetlands and Access Strips of the Stratford District Plan 1997. <p>The remission will apply to the area of land included in the protected conservation area.</p> <p>Applications should be supported by documentary evidence of the protected status of the rating unit, for example, a copy of the covenant or other legal mechanism.</p> <p>In granting remissions under this policy, the Council may specify certain conditions before remission will be granted. Applicants will be required to agree in writing to these conditions and pay any remitted rates if the conditions are violated.</p>	<p>Objective. Rate remission is provided to preserve and promote natural resources and heritage by encouraging the protection of land for natural, historic or cultural purposes.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. Ratepayers who own rating units which have some feature of cultural, natural or historic heritage which is voluntarily protected may qualify for remission of rates under this policy.</p> <p>Land that is non-rateable under section 8 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and is liable only for rates for water supply, sewerage disposal and waste collection will not qualify for remission under this part of the policy.</p> <p>Applications should be supported by documented evidence of the protected status of the rating unit, for example, a copy of the covenant or other legal mechanism.</p> <p>In considering any application for remission of rates under this part of the policy, the Council will consider the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the extent to which the preservation of natural, cultural or historic heritage will be promoted by granting remission of rates on the rating unit the degree to which feature of natural, cultural and historic heritage is present on the land the degree to which features of natural, cultural and historic heritage inhibit the economic utilisation of the land the extent to which the preservation of natural, cultural and historic heritage will be promoted by granting remission of rates on the rating unit the degree to which features of natural, cultural and historic heritage will be promoted by granting remission of rates on the rating unit the degree to which features of natural, cultural and historic heritage is present on the land the degree to which features of natural, cultural and historic heritage inhibits the economic utilisation of the land.

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Remission of rates on land with a heritage structure on it	No provision for the remission of rates.	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission of up to 100% of the rates on land with a heritage structure on it to all ratepayers who meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy.</p> <p>Objective. To preserve and promote heritage structures and to encourage the maintenance, enhancement and protection of heritage sites. This policy will support the provisions of the Stratford District Council District Plan.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. This part of the policy will apply to ratepayers who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • own rating units that have a site listed in Appendix 5: <i>Known Heritage Resources of Significance Identified for Protection</i> in the Stratford District Plan • protect and maintain these heritage sites and features according to conditions that applied on resource consents where applicable. <p>This policy does not apply to land that is non-rateable under section 8 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and is liable only for rates for water supply or sewage disposal.</p> <p>The application for rates remission must be made to the Council prior to the commencement of the rating year. Applications received during a rating year will be applicable from the commencement of the following rating year.</p> <p>In granting remissions under this policy, the Council may specify certain conditions before remission will be granted. Applicants will be required to agree in writing to these conditions and to pay any remitted rates if the conditions are violated.</p> <p>In considering any application for remission of rates under this part of the policy the Council will consider the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the extent to which the preservation of natural, cultural or historic heritage will be promoted by granting remission of rates on the rating unit • the degree to which features of natural, cultural or historic heritage are present on the land • the degree to which features of natural, cultural or historic heritage inhibit the economic utilisation of the land. 	No provision for the remission of rates.

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	New Plymouth and North Taranaki constituencies	Stratford constituency	South Taranaki constituency
Remission of rates or postponement of rates for financial hardship	<p>The objective of this policy is to assist ratepayers experiencing extreme financial hardship which affect their ability to pay rates.</p> <p>Conditions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only rating units used solely for residential purposes (as defined by the Council) will be eligible for consideration for rates postponement for extreme financial hardship Only the person entered as the ratepayer, or their authorised agent, may make an application for rates postponement for extreme financial hardship on the rating unit which is the subject of the application. The person entered on the Council's rating information database as the "ratepayer" must not own any other rating units or investment properties (whether in the district or in another district) The Council will consider, on a case by case basis, all applications received that meet the criteria described in the two paragraphs above When considering whether extreme financial hardship exists, all of the ratepayer's personal circumstances will be relevant including, but not limited to, the following factors: age, physical or mental disability, injury, illness and family circumstances Before approving an application the Council must be satisfied that the ratepayer is unlikely to have sufficient funds left over, after the payment of rates, for normal health care, proper provision for maintenance of his or her home and chattels at an adequate standard as well as making provision for normal day to day living expenses The ratepayer must make application to the Council on the prescribed form The ratepayer must make acceptable arrangements for payment of future rates, for example by setting up a system for regular payments The Council may add a postponement fee to the postponed rates for the period between the due date and the date they are paid. This fee will not exceed an amount which covers the Council's administration and financial costs. 	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission up to 100% to all ratepayers who meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy.</p> <p>A remission for Extreme Financial Hardship Committee, comprised of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer, has delegated power under Schedule 7, Section 32 of the Local Government Act 2002 to assess a ratepayer's application for rates remission.</p> <p>Objective. The objective of this remission policy is to assist ratepayers experiencing extreme financial hardship which affects their ability to pay rates.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. Council will consider, on a case by case basis, all applications received that meet its criteria.</p> <p>Only rating units used solely for residential purposes as defined by Council will be eligible for consideration for rates remission for extreme financial circumstances.</p> <p>Formal application must be made by the ratepayer or the ratepayer's authorised agent on the application form provided by Council for the purpose, providing full information as required by the application form.</p> <p>When considering whether extreme financial circumstances exist, all of the ratepayer's personal circumstances will be relevant including the following factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> age physical or mental disability injury illness family circumstances. <p>Before approving an application Council must be satisfied that the ratepayer is unlikely to have sufficient funds left over, after the payment of rates, for normal health care and proper provision for maintenance of his/her home and chattels at an adequate standard, as well as making provision for normal day to day living expenses.</p> <p>The application for a remission under this policy will be assessed by the Remission for Extreme Financial Hardship Committee independently from the Government Rates Rebate Scheme.</p>	<p>Objective. The objective of this part of the policy is to assist ratepayers experiencing extreme financial circumstances, which affect their ability to pay rates.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. Only rating units used solely for residential purposes will be eligible for consideration for rate postponement for extreme financial circumstances.</p> <p>Only the person entered as the ratepayer, or their authorised agent, may make an application for rate postponement for extreme financial circumstances. The ratepayer must be the current owner of, and have owned for not less than 5 years, the rating unit, which is the subject of the application. The person entered on the Council's rating information database as the "ratepayer" must not own any other rating units or investment properties (whether in the district or in another district).</p> <p>The ratepayer (or authorised agent) must make an application to council on the prescribed form (copies can be obtained from the Council Offices). The Council will consider, on a case by case basis, all applications received that meet the criteria described in the first two paragraphs under this section.</p>

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Remission of rates or postponement of rates for financial hardship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The policy will apply from the beginning of the rating year in which the application is made although the Council may consider backdating past the rating year in which the application is made depending on the circumstances The postponement will continue to apply until: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the ratepayer ceases to be the owner or occupier of the rating unit the ratepayer ceases to use the property as their residence until a date specified by the Council whichever is the sooner. The postponed rates will remain a charge against the property and must be paid either at the end of the postponement term or when the property is sold. Postponed rates may include rate arrears owing from a previous financial year A rating charge will be registered on the certificate of title and will be removed when the postponed amount has been repaid The application will be determined by the Manager Financial Services and the Manager Revenue and Expenditure. <p>Any appeals against the decision will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination.</p>		
Remission of rates on Council owned and occupied properties	No provision for the remission of rates.	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission of 100% on rating units owned and occupied by the Stratford District Council which meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy.</p> <p>Objective. The objective of this part of the remission policy is to enable the Stratford District Council to be cost-neutral in regard to other ratepayers whilst being administratively efficient.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. This part of the policy applies to rating units owned and occupied by the Stratford District Council.</p> <p>This part of the policy does not apply to rating units that are owned by the Stratford District Council but are leased to a third party and the terms of the lease provide for rates to be paid by the lessee.</p>	No provision for the remission of rates.

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	New Plymouth and North Taranaki constituencies	Stratford constituency	South Taranaki constituency
Remission of penalties	<p>The objective of this policy is to enable the Council to act fairly and reasonably in its consideration of rates which have not been received by the Council by the penalty date due to circumstances outside the ratepayer's control or in order to ensure the settlement of outstanding rates and the ratepayer has made an arrangement to pay over an extended period.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automatic remission of the penalties will apply to those ratepayers that have an automatic payment or Direct Debit in place as approved by the Manager Revenue and Expenditure Automatic remission of the penalties will apply to those ratepayers that pay their rates in full by the second instalment due date Remission of the penalty will be granted if the ratepayer is able to provide evidence that their payment has gone astray in the post or the late payment has otherwise resulted from matters outside their control Application will be considered on its merits and remission will be granted where it is considered just and equitable to do so Application for a penalty remission is required in writing however under some circumstances approved by either the Manager Financial Services or Manager Revenue and Expenditure, verbal applications will be accepted The Council may remit small balances due to cash rounding The Manager Financial Services and the Manager Revenue and Expenditure have delegated authority to grant or refuse remissions under this policy Any appeals against the decision will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination If an arrangement to pay rates and/ or clear outstandings is not adhered to, the Council may reinstate future penalty charges. 	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission of penalties to all ratepayers who meet the objectives, conditions and criteria of this policy.</p> <p>Objective. The objective of this part of the remission policy is to enable the Stratford District Council to act fairly and reasonably in its consideration of rates which have not been received by the Council by the penalty date, due to circumstances outside the ratepayer's control.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. On application by the ratepayer, a remission of an instalment penalty imposed under Section 58(1)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 shall be granted if this is the first instance of late payment by the ratepayer within the previous six rating years.</p> <p>Where a ratepayer enters into a payment arrangement for the payment of the current year rates and any rate arrears, further penalties will be granted a remission. However, any default in the arrangement will cause the remission to be cancelled. It should be noted that any penalties applied up to the date of commencement of the arrangement will remain. Council will delegate decisions on arrangement remissions as follows:</p> <p>Full amount owed is paid by 30 June next: Revenue Officer</p> <p>Full amount owed is paid by 30 June the following year: Corporate Services Manager</p> <p>Arrangements beyond 30 June the following year: Chief Executive</p>	<p>Objective. The remission of penalties is to allow the Council to act fairly and reasonably in its consideration of rates, which the Council has not received by the penalty date due to circumstances outside the ratepayer's control.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. Remission of the penalty will be granted if the ratepayer by written explanation satisfies the Council that the late payment was due to circumstances outside the ratepayer's control.</p> <p>Each application will be considered on its merit and will be granted where it is considered fair and equitable to do so.</p> <p>In cases where ratepayers are in arrears with their rates, but have made acceptable arrangements for the payment of the current year's rates together with reduction in the level of arrears, further penalties being incurred will be remitted under this policy.</p>

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Remission of rates on sewerage disposal rates for educational establishments	No provision for the remission of rates.	<p>The Stratford District Council will provide rates remission to educational establishments so that they pay the lesser of the standard sewerage disposal rate or an amount calculated as if the Rating Powers (Special Provision for Certain Rates on Educational Establishments) Amendment Act 2001 was still current.</p> <p>Objective. The objective of this part of the remission policy is to enable the continuation of the special provisions that were enacted in 2001 for calculating sewerage disposal rates for educational establishments pending the Ministerial Review provided for in sections 25 and 26 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. On application from an Educational Establishment that qualified within the Rating Powers (Special Provision for Certain Rates on Educational Establishments) Amendment Act 2001, and the provision of the required figures as at 1 March of the same year as the beginning of the financial year to which the remission applies, a remission will be granted so that the lesser of the calculated amounts shall be charged.</p>	No provision for the remission of rates.
Remission of uniform annual charges on non-contiguous rating units owned by the same ratepayer	<p>The objective of this policy is to provide for the possibility of rates remission where more than one uniform annual general charge is assessed on a rating unit because that rating unit comprises more than one separately used or inhabited part and where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the rating unit is used for residential purposes and includes a separately inhabited part occupied by a dependant member of the family of the owner of the rating unit. <p>Conditions and Criteria The council may remit the specified rates where the application meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the rating units above must be used as the owner's residence but also contain a minor flat or other residential accommodation unit which is inhabited by a member of the owner's family who is dependant on the owner for financial support and occupies the accommodation on a non paying basis (e.g. granny flat) 	No provision for remission of uniform annual charges on non-contiguous rating units owned by the same ratepayer.	<p>Objective. The remission of uniform annual general charges is to provide relief for rural land, which is non-contiguous but farmed as a single entity and owned by the same ratepayer.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. Ratepayers who occupy two or more separate rating units (and who do not qualify to be treated as one rating unit pursuant to Section 20 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002) are entitled to have uniform annual general charges reduced for qualifying properties. All ratepayers will pay at least one full uniform annual general charge and then half charges for additional qualifying properties.</p> <p>Any applicant must be paying at least one full uniform annual general charge on one of the rating units involved in the farming operation. Additional rating units involved in the farming operation will be charged half of the uniform annual general charges in respect of each additional rating unit.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the owner(s) of the rating unit must complete and provide to the council a statutory declaration. Such a declaration will be effective for three years or until the conditions cease to be met, whichever is earlier. A fresh declaration must be completed and provided in order to qualify for consideration for remission beyond the first three year period the Manager Financial Services and Manager Revenue and Expenditure have delegated authority to grant or refuse remissions under this policy any appeals against the decision will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination. 		
Remission of rates in miscellaneous circumstances.	<p>It is recognised that not all situations in which the Council may wish to remit rates will necessarily be known about in advance and provided for in Council's specific policies.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council may remit rates on a rating unit where it considers it just and equitable to do so because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> extraordinary circumstances have arisen by virtue of the transition from the Rating Powers Act 1988 to the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 that meant it would be fair and equitable to grant relief the application does not meet the circumstances provided for in any of the Council's other remission policies. The application will be determined by the Manager Financial Services and the Manager Revenue and Expenditure Any appeals against the decision will be referred to the Monitoring Committee for final determination. 	No provision for the remission of rates.	No provision for the remission of rates.
Remission of rates for economic development	No provision for the remission of rates.	<p>This provides for rates relief for new development or redevelopment of land by way of constructing, erecting or altering buildings, fixed plant and machinery or other works intended to be used solely or principally for industrial, commercial or administrative purposes where the cost of such development is more than \$500,000 (excluding GST) as assessed under the Building Act.</p> <p>The Council will be prepared to consider any application for building development which can demonstrate that it will be to the economic advantage of the Stratford District. Economic advantage will be deemed to occur if the development will result in:</p>	No provision for the remission of rates.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • significant employment growth or employment retention in Stratford District • significant downstream new business for other Stratford District manufacturers or suppliers of goods and services. <p>Developments for industrial, commercial or administrative purposes which the Council wishes to foster are in the following sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • primary production and processing • tourism, including recreational, cultural and conference facilities • manufacturing, especially those which have high potential for employment related to the total cost factor • health services • retailing • hotels, motels and other transient accommodation • administrative services, including those provided by Government and private sector agencies. <p>In the event of any developer, to whom rates relief has been granted, selling the property within which the eligible investment was made, rates relief ceases from the date of the sale.</p> <p>Forms Of Rates Relief. The Council may remit or postpone (or a combination of these) part or all of the general rates otherwise payable on the subject property for the period of the development and up to three rating years thereafter.</p> <p>The Council may impose conditions on the remission or postponement of rates and may cancel any remission or postponement in the event of non compliance by the applicant with those conditions. In those circumstances, the Council may require payment of full rates in respect of any year in which rates have been remitted.</p> <p>Factors To Be Considered. The Council will have regard to the following matters when considering applications for rates relief:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether and to what extent, the development will, when completed, be to the economic advantage of the Stratford District including the creation of significant employment opportunities. The creation of jobs will be a strong factor in favour of granting rates relief, but the retention of existing jobs and the potential for job creation will also be positive factors. • whether and to what extent the granting of relief will be of material benefit to the development. 	

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		<p>whether the investment limit and economic benefits criteria are met jointly in the case of a Lessor/Lessee arrangement.</p> <p>whether and to what extent the development can be served by the existing basic Council services infrastructure.</p> <p>the level of financial contributions and development levies collected under provisions of the District Plan.</p> <p>such other matters as the Council may, from time to time, consider relevant.</p>	
Remission of rates on Maori freehold land	<p>The Council has a policy in place to remit the rates assessed on rating units, which are Māori freehold land in multiple ownership, subject to certain conditions. This policy aims to ensure the fair and equitable collection of rates from all sectors of the community recognising that certain Māori owned lands have particular conditions, features, ownership structures, or other circumstances which make it appropriate to provide relief from rates.</p> <p>Māori freehold land is defined in the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as land whose beneficial ownership has been determined by a freehold order issued by the Māori Land Court. Only land that is subject of such an order may qualify for remission under this policy.</p> <p>Objectives. The objectives of this policy are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to recognise situations where there is no owner, occupier or person gaining an economic or financial benefit from the land. • to set aside land that is better set aside for non-use because of its natural features (whenua rahui). • to recognise matters related to the physical accessibility of the land. • to recognise and take account of the presence of wahi tapu that may affect the use of the land for other purposes. • where part only of a block is occupied, to grant remission for the portion of land not occupied. • to facilitate development or use of the land where the Council considers rates based on actual rateable value makes the actual use of the land uneconomic. • to recognise and take account of the importance of land in providing economic and infrastructure support for marae and associated papakainga housing. • to recognise use of the land by the owners for traditional purposes. • to recognise occasions where granting remission will avoid further alienation of Māori freehold land. • to recognise occasions where the Taranaki Regional Council and the community benefit through the efficient collection of rates that are properly payable and the removal of rating debt that is considered non collectible. <p>Conditions and Criteria. The Council will maintain a register titled the <i>Māori Land Rates Relief Register</i> (the register) for the purpose of recording properties on which it has agreed to remit rates pursuant to this policy. The register will comprise two category lists, these being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the <i>Māori Land General Remissions List</i>. • the <i>Māori Land Economic Adjustment Remissions List</i>. <p>Owners or trustees making application should include the following information in their applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details of the property. • the objectives that will be achieved by providing a remission. • documentation that proves the land, which is the subject of the application, is Māori freehold land. 		

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	<p>The Council may, at its own discretion, add properties to the lists.</p> <p>Relief and the extent thereof, are at the sole discretion of the Council and may be cancelled and reduced at any time.</p> <p>The Council will review the register annually and may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • add properties that comply. • remove properties where the circumstances have changed and they no longer comply. <p>No remission will be granted on targeted rates for water supply, sewage disposal or refuse collection.</p>		
Postponement of rates on Māori freehold land	<p>The Council has a policy in place to remit the rates assessed on rating units, which are Māori freehold land in multiple ownership, subject to certain conditions. The objective of this policy is to recognise situations where there is no occupier or person gaining an economic or financial benefit from the land and no practical means of enforcing the rates assessed.</p> <p>Māori freehold land is defined in the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as land whose beneficial ownership has been determined by a freehold order issued by the Māori Land Court. Only land that is subject of such an order may qualify for remission under this policy.</p> <p>Objective. The postponement on rates on Māori freehold land is to facilitate the development and use of the land for economic use where the Council considers utilisation would be uneconomic if full rates were required during the years of development and establishment.</p> <p>Conditions and Criteria. The Council will consider postponement of rates where previously unoccupied land is subject to clearing, development and commercial use where the Council considers utilisation would be uneconomic if full rates were required during the years of development and establishment.</p> <p>Application should be made prior to commencement of the development. Applications made after the commencement of the development may be accepted at the discretion of the Council.</p> <p>Owners or trustees making application should include the following information in their applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details of the property. • the objectives that will be achieved by providing postponement. • details of the proposed development. <p>The Council may also, at its discretion, partially remit rates that are otherwise subject to postponement.</p> <p>No postponement will be granted on targeted rates for water supply, sewage disposal or refuse collection.</p>		
Payment due dates and penalties	<p>All rates will be payable in four instalments due on:</p> <p>Instalment 1: 26 August 2009 Instalment 2: 25 November 2009 Instalment 3: 24 February 2010 Instalment 4: 26 May 2010.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 the following penalties on unpaid rates will be applied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a charge of 10 percent on so much of any instalment that has been assessed after 1 July 2009 and which remains unpaid after the due date for that instalment. • a charge of 10 percent on so much of any rates levied before 1 July 2009 which remain unpaid on 10 July 2009 or such later date as required under section 58(1)(b)(ii) (New Plymouth, North Taranaki and Stratford constituencies only). • a continuing additional penalty of 10 percent on so much of any rates levied before 1 July 2009 that remain unpaid six months after the previous penalty was added (New Plymouth, North Taranaki and Stratford constituencies only). 		
Discount for early payment	<p>The Council will allow a discount of 3% where a ratepayer pays the year's rates in full on or before the due date of the first instalment for the year. This will be 26 August 2009. South Taranaki constituency only.</p>		
Payment locations	<p>The Council's rates and charges will become due and payable at the principal offices and service centres of the region's district councils. The rates and charges can also be paid at the principal office of the Taranaki Regional Council.</p>		

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