

Land drainage

(excluding in the Hangatahua
(Stony) River catchment)

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Activity	Rule	Standards/Terms/Conditions	Classification	Notification	Control/Discretion	Policy Reference
Diversion of water for the purpose of land drainage (except as provided for in Rules 80 to 87)	77	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area of land drained shall be no greater than 10 ha; • No wetland over 5 ha is to be drained;⁵¹ • Drainage shall not cause flooding of downstream or adjacent properties; • No significant erosion, scour or deposition shall result from the diversion or associated discharge; • Drainage channels are of no greater than 300mm in diameter; or • Drainage channels are no greater than 4m² in cross-sectional area; • There shall be no significant adverse effects on aquatic life or instream habitat; • No wetland listed in Appendix III is to be drained. 	Permitted			
Construction, use and maintenance of drainage channels associated with permitted land drainage activities (provided for in Rule 77)	78	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drainage channel shall be being constructed or maintained for the purpose of carrying out drainage activities permitted under Rule 77; • Activity shall not cause significant adverse effects on aquatic life or stream habitat; • Disturbance of any channel shall be the minimum necessary to carry out the required works; • Activity shall not cause flooding of downstream or adjacent properties. 	Permitted			
Land drainage activities (excluding drainage of wetlands listed in Appendix II) which are not provided for in Rules 77-78 or do not meet the conditions of Rules 77-78	79		Discretionary	May be non-notified		3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4, 3.1.5, 3.1.6, 3.1.7, 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3, 4.1.4, 4.1.5, 4.1.6, 5.1.1, 5A.2.1, 5A.2.2, 5A.2.3, 6.7.1, 6.8.1, 6.8.2, 6.8.4

⁵¹ For the purpose of this condition, the term 'wetland' does not include artificially created wetlands or wet pasture comprising exoitic grasses or juncus rushes.

