

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Rodney District Proposed District Plan 2000 – Proposed Variation Number 102 – Noise Rules in Residential and Rural Zones.

Explanation

Variation 102 has been proposed to correct errors in Chapter 16 *General Rules* – 16.9 Noise & Vibration of the Proposed Plan.

The proposed Variation amends Table 16.9.2.1.1 and Table 16.9.2.1.2(i) of the Proposed District Plan. More specifically, the Variation corrects the situation whereby Table 16.9.2.1.2 (Noise Received in Rural Zones) inadvertently allows a higher noise limit between 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on Sundays, in comparison to the noise limits permitted from Monday to Saturday for the same time period. The proposed variation corrects this by deleting the separate “Monday to Saturday” and “Sunday and Public Holidays” night time noise levels and replacing them with single noise period for “At all other times”.

In addition, Table 16.9.2.1.1, which deals with the noise limits that can be received in the residential zones, omits to provide limits for noise received in the residential zones from 10:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. for Monday to Saturday. This is also rectified by simply changing the “Sunday and Public Holidays 10:00 p.m. – 4:00 a.m.” noise period to an “All other times” period.

It should be noted that the noise levels themselves have not been changed as a result of this Variation.

Schedule of Amendments to the Proposed District Plan (2000)

(i) Amend Chapter 16 General Rules – Table 16.9.2.1.2 (i) Noise Received in Rural Zones (L_{eq}) as shown below (additions are underlined and deletions are struck through)

Table 16.9.2.1.2 (i) Noise Received in Rural Zones (L_{eq})

	NOISE LIMITS dBA L_{eq}			
Within the notional boundary*	Mon-Sat 6:00am – 6:00pm	Mon-Sat 6:00pm – 6:00am	Sundays and Public Holidays 6:00am – <u>6:00pm</u>	Sundays and Public Holidays 6:00pm – 9:00am <u>At all other times</u>
Low background noise level ⁽¹⁾	50	<u>40</u> and 70 dBA L_{max}	45	40 and <u>70</u> dBA L_{max}
High background noise level ⁽²⁾	55	<u>45</u> and 75 dBA L_{max}	50	45 and <u>75 dBA</u> L_{max}

(i) Amend Chapter 16 General Rules – Table 16.9.2.1.1: Noise Received in Residential Zones (L_{eq}) as shown below (additions are underlined and deletions are struck through).

Table 16.9.2.1.1: Noise Received in Residential Zones (L_{eq})

	NOISE LIMITS dBA L_{eq}			
	Mon-Sat 7:00am – 7:00pm	Mon-Sat 7:00pm – 10:00pm	Sundays and Public Holidays 7:00am – 10:00pm	Sundays and Public Holidays 10:00pm – 7:00am <u>At all other times</u>
Low Background Noise Level ⁽¹⁾	45 dBA	40 dBA	40 dBA	35 dBA 50 dBA @ 63 Hz 45 dBA @ 125 Hz 70 dBA $L_{(max)}$

High Background Noise Level ⁽²⁾	50 dBA	45 dBA	45 dBA	40 dBA 55 dB @ 63 Hz 50 dBA @ 125 Hz and 75 dBA L _(max)
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