

Chapter 2 - Rules having immediate legal effect

Under Section 86B(3) of the RMA the rules and standards specified in the table below have immediate legal effect from 9 June 2016. The associated definitions, appendices and overlays applicable to those rules also have immediate legal effect.

In circumstances where a rule has a mixture of standards that have immediate legal effect and standards that do not have immediate legal effect, the standards that have immediate legal effect only are identified.

Water Take, Use, Damming or Diversion

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.1.1	All
2.2.1 to 2.2.24 (inclusive)	All
2.4.1	All
2.5.1 ¹	n/a
2.5.2 to 2.5.5 (inclusive)	n/a
2.6.1 to 2.6.5 ² (inclusive)	n/a

¹ The rule has immediate legal effect if the activity does not meet standards identified in this table that are applicable to the activity.

² Although these prohibited activity rules have immediate legal effect, Section 87(b)(1) of the RMA requires that a prohibited activity rule must be treated as a discretionary activity until the rule is made operative.

Activity In, On, Over or Under the Bed of a Lake or River

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.7.1 to 2.7.10 (inclusive)	All
2.10.1 ¹	n/a
2.10.2	n/a
2.11.1 to 2.11.5 ² (inclusive)	n/a

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Drainage Channel Activity

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.12.6, 2.12.10, 2.12.11	All, including 2.13.1
2.15.1 ¹	n/a
2.15.3	n/a

¹ The rule has immediate legal effect if the activity does not meet standards identified in this table that are applicable to the activity.

Discharge to Water

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.16.1 to 2.16.11 (inclusive)	All
2.18.1	All
2.19.1 ¹	n/a
2.19.2	n/a
2.20.1 to 2.20.3 ² (inclusive)	n/a

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Discharge to air

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.21.1	All
2.23.1 ¹	n/a
2.23.2	n/a

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Heritage resources

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.24.1 to 2.24.3 (inclusive)	All
2.26.1 ¹	n/a
2.26.2	n/a
2.27.1 ²	n/a

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Notable trees

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.28.1 to 2.28.4 (inclusive)	All
2.30.1 ¹	n/a
2.30.2	n/a

¹ The rule has immediate legal effect if the activity does not meet standards identified in this table that are applicable to the activity.

Network utilities

Rule Number	Standard Number(s)
2.38.1	2.39.1.13 and 2.39.1.14(a) and (b)
2.38.2	n/a
2.40.1 ¹	n/a
2.40.2	n/a

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