

Information sheet on new and existing slipways and boatsheds

Existing Slipways and/or Boatsheds

A lawfully established slipway and or/ associated boatshed is a permitted activity. For information on whether the reconstruction, alteration or extension of the boatshed and associated ramps or rails is permitted, please see page 112 sc. (j) of the Regional Coastal Environment Plan (RCEP):

<http://ecan.govt.nz/publications/Plans/RegionalCoastalEnvPlanNovember05.pdf>

New Slipways and/or Boatsheds

Resource consent will be required from Environment Canterbury for constructing any new structure in the Coastal Marine Area. You may also need to enquire with Christchurch City Council if they require you to obtain consent too.

Resource Consent application information

See Environment Canterbury website to see generic information on how to apply for resource consent: <http://ecan.govt.nz/advice/resource-consents/applying-resource-consent/Pages/how-to-apply.aspx>

For information on application fees go to this link:

<http://ecan.govt.nz/publications/General/FixedChargesFactsheet.pdf> - Resource consent for any other activity.

To erect and/or place a new structure (in other words boatshed or slipway) on, under or over the foreshore (high water springs) requires resource consent under section 12 of the Resource Management Act 1991, unless expressly allowed by a rule in the Regional Coastal Environment Plan (RCEP) or resource consent.

<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1991/0069/latest/whole.html#DLM230265MA>.

- Please read Regional Coastal Environment Plan (RCEP) 2005, Chapters 8 and 9.

<http://ecan.govt.nz/our-responsibilities/regional-plans/regional-coastal-environment-plan/Pages/Default.aspx>

- To erect and/or place a new boatshed/ramp or rails is a non-complying activity (see page 115 Rule 8.4 of RCEP)
- The reconstruction, alteration or extension of the boatshed and associated ramps or rails may be permitted. See page 112 section (j) for the conditions.
- Also see Rule 8.4 (page 115).
- In the application you should complete an assessment of environmental effects, see Schedule 4 of the Resource Management Act:
<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1991/0069/latest/whole.html#DLM230265MA>.
- In the application you will need to show the effects on the environment are 'less than minor'. Consider who and what could be affected by the activity e.g. neighbours/land owners, community council/residents association, cultural sensitivity - Rūnanga, wildlife - Department of Conservation, navigation safety – Harbourmaster etc. A written approval form can be found on this link: <http://ecan.govt.nz/publications/General/consent-form-con510-written-approval-person-likely-affected-110111.pdf>.
- The application may be non- notified, limited notified or publicly notified.

- If you require further information on the consent process and applying please call Environment Canterbury Customer Services on 0800 326 636. You can ask for a free half-hour pre-application meeting with a Consents Planner.