

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):

<https://ecan.govt.nz/your-region/plans-strategies-and-bylaws/regional-coastal-environment-plan-for-the-canterbury-region/>

New Slipways and/or Boatsheds

Resource consent will be required from Environment Canterbury for constructing any new structure in the Coastal Marine Area. Check with Christchurch City Council or Local District Council to see if consent is required from them too.

Resource Consent application information

To erect and/or place a new structure (in other words boatshed or slipway) on, under or over the foreshore or seabed requires resource consent under Part 3 – 20 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>

The Regional Coastal Environment Plan (RCEP) 2005. Chapters 8 and 9 refer to Activities and Occupation in the Coastal Marine Area and Coastal Hazards.

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- To erect and/or place a new boatshed/slipway or rails outside a Boatshed Area; and within an Area of Significant Natural Value or areas listed in Schedule 5.13; is a non-complying activity (see page 115 Rule 8.4 of RCEP)
- To erect a new boatshed/slipway on, under, or over any foreshore or seabed is a Discretionary Activity (see page 114 Rule 8.2)

See Environment Canterbury website to see generic information on how to apply for resource consent:

<https://ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/first-steps-and-costs/>

Consent application fees: <https://ecan.govt.nz/document/download?ids=2335828>

The application should contain 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>

When considering the effects on the environment, 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. Helpful consultation information can be found here:

<https://ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/first-steps-and-costs/consultation/>

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.