

A guide to Fees & Charges

The fees and charges that apply to resource consent and monitoring are set out in Waipa District Council's Fees & Charges Schedule. The Schedule is reviewed annually. The Fees & Charges Schedule can be found on Council's website www.waipadc.govt.nz.

What charges do I have to pay for a resource consent application?

A fixed initial deposit charge ('deposit') is required to process a resource consent application (please see Council's Fees & Charges Schedule). You may be required to pay additional charges while your application is being processed (please see the section below: Will there be additional charges?).

When do I have to pay the charges?

You pay the deposit when you lodge your resource consent application. Council can not process the application until the deposit has been paid.

Will there be additional charges?

Additional charges may be incurred while your resource consent application is being processed. They may be incurred for, but are not limited to, the following

- Where the fixed initial deposit charge does not cover the actual costs associated with processing an application.
- If the Council needs to engage further technical services to process the application, such as a planning or engineering consultant, the consultant's fees will be charged to the applicant.
- If legal advice is sought by the Council for processing the application, the legal fees will be charged to the applicant.
- If a commissioner/s is/are required to hear and determine the application, the associated fees will be charged to the applicant.

What type of charges are in the Fees & Charges Schedule?

The schedule outlines charges for a range of resource management consent processes. We recommended that you consult the schedule for the appropriate charge. In particular it includes charges for:

- land use consents for non-notified, limited notified and publicly notified applications
- subdivision consents for non-notified, limited notified and publicly notified applications
- all associated subdivision costs such as processing the final survey plan and certificates
- monitoring land use consents
- applications for District Plan changes
- Council staff hourly rates



What factors may affect the charges?

There are a number of factors that affect the cost of processing a resource consent including:

- whether the application is complete and provides the level of information required
- whether the required written approvals are submitted with the application
- the amount of technical input required from other council departments
- the complexity of the application

Will I have to pay Development Contributions?

Development Contribution fees may apply. For more information see Council's information sheet 'A Guide to Development Contributions'.

Can I object to the charges for processing a resource consent application?

You can not object to the fixed initial deposit charge that is set out in the Fees & Charges Schedule. You can object to any additional charges incurred while processing the consent application. Objections must be made within 15 working days of the consent being issued.

Will there be any charges after the resource consent has been issued?

Additional charges can occur if land use consent monitoring is required. All deposits for land use consents include a minimum monitoring charge. If further inspections are required to assess compliance with consent conditions, a charge will apply for each additional inspection.

For information on charges associated with subdivision consents, please refer to the information sheet 'A guide to subdivision consent'.

When will I be invoiced for additional charges?

An invoice for any additional charges is dispatched following the issue of the resource consent. The invoice will show the costs incurred while processing the application, including the initial fixed deposit you have already paid. If the deposit exceeds the value of the work done, a refund will be issued where the difference exceeds \$20.00.

What are Resource Management Regulation Discounts?

If a resource consent application is not processed within statutory timeframes, the Council must discount the cost of the application. The discount will be applied to all processing charges up to the decision stage. Regulations require a discount of one per cent (1%) for each day an application is processed over the statutory timeframe, up to a limit of 50 working days (i.e. up to 50%).

Council must apply the discount to any resource consent application not processed within statutory timeframes. You do not have to make an application for this discount to be administered.

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