



Attachment 2.7

Proposed provisions – Amendments to Resource Management (Stock Exclusion) Regulations 2020

National direction consultation – Package 2: Primary sector

Instrument topic: Proposed amendments to the Stock Exclusion Regulations

- The proposed provisions are for consultation purposes and do not represent the proposed Stock Exclusion Regulations wording, which will be drafted after the consultation phase.
- The table below provides some illustrative wording (in italics) to help you understand proposed definitions, the policy intent, and scope of the proposed amendments to the Stock Exclusion Regulations.
- Terms used have the same meaning as in the Resource Management Act 1991, unless otherwise specified.

Application	Proposed provisions	Reasons
Where would the Stock Exclusion Regulations apply?	The whole of New Zealand, consistent with the application of the existing Stock Exclusion Regulations.	Stock exclusion is a nation-wide issue.

PART 1: PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

Clause	Proposed provisions	Reasons
17 Exclusion of stock from natural wetlands that support threatened species described in National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020	Amend the requirement to exclude <i>all stock</i> from natural wetlands supporting a population of threatened species so that it would not apply to non-intensively grazed beef cattle and deer.	Regulation 17 requires <i>all stock</i> to be excluded from wetlands that support threatened species, regardless of the size of the wetland or the intensity of the farming system. Regulation 17 is unable to be adapted to individual circumstances, meaning in some areas (eg, South Island high country) it is possible that the benefits of excluding stock from these wetlands is disproportionate to the cost.

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