

Section 42A Officer’s Report

Erratum

Hearing Stream 7:	Other Topics
Subjects:	Noise
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1 Erratum – Noise

- (1) In the Section 42A Report for Hearing #7 Other Topics – Light, Noise, and Temporary Activities, I included a recommendation that submission point 215.5 of the NZ Helicopter Association, on rule NOISE-R2, be accepted in part by instead adding a note to rule NOISE-R9¹.
- (2) The submitter has brought it to my attention that, while I included a recommendation on this submission point in the report, no specific wording was shown for that note in Appendix 1 of the report, showing tracked changes to the PDP text.
- (3) Accordingly, I propose the following wording. Changes already recommended in the s42A report are shown in **red** and those added in this erratum are in **blue**.

NOISE-R9	Noise from aircraft at helicopter landing areas
General Rural Zone Natural Open Space Zone	1. Activity status: Permitted Where: 1. The helicopter landing area is used solely: a. For agricultural aviation activities between dawn and dusk, on no more than 30 days in any calendar year, or b. In unforeseen emergencies; and 2. The helicopter landing area is managed to comply with the recommended noise limits and noise management provisions set out in NZS6807:1994 Noise Management and Land Use Planning for Helicopter Landing Areas (excluding clause 4.3 Averaging). <u>Note: this rule applies to aircraft only at helicopter landing areas. Aircraft in other circumstances are</u>

¹ Section 42A Report – Light, Noise, and Temporary Activities – paras 122-124 and 181-182.

	controlled by other rules, e.g. helicopters used in construction are covered by NOISE-R2.
General Rural Zone Heavy Industrial Zone Hospital Zone Natural Open Space Zone	2. Activity status: Restricted discretionary Where: 1. NOISE-R9.1 is not met. Matters of discretion are restricted to: 1. Positive effects of the use of helicopters, to the degree that those effects cannot be achieved by other means 2. People's health and wellbeing 3. The amenity of the surrounding area 4. The degree to which the activity is managed in accordance with NZS6807:1994 Noise Management and Land Use Planning for Helicopter Landing Areas (excluding clause 4.3 Averaging). Note: this rule applies to aircraft only at helicopter landing areas. Aircraft in other circumstances are controlled by other rules, e.g. helicopters used in construction are covered by NOISE-R2.
Heavy Industrial Zone Hospital Zone	3. Activity status: Restricted discretionary <u>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</u> 1. <u>Positive effects of the use of helicopters, to the degree that those effects cannot be achieved by other means</u> 2. <u>People's health and wellbeing</u> 3. <u>The amenity of the surrounding area</u> 4. <u>The degree to which the activity is managed in accordance with NZS6807:1994 Noise Management and Land Use Planning for Helicopter Landing Areas (excluding clause 4.3 Averaging).</u> Note: this rule applies to aircraft only at helicopter landing areas. Aircraft in other circumstances are controlled by other rules, e.g. helicopters used in construction are covered by NOISE-R2.

Residential Zones	4. Activity status: Non-complying Public notification is required for any application under this rule. <u>Note: this rule applies to aircraft only at helicopter landing areas. Aircraft in other circumstances are controlled by other rules, e.g. helicopters used in construction are covered by NOISE-R2.</u>
Rural Lifestyle Zone	
General Industrial Zone	
Light Industrial Zone	
Commercial and Mixed Use Zones	
Tertiary Education Zone	
Seaview Marina Zone	
Marae Zone	
Quarry Zone	
Open Space Zone	
Sport and Active Recreation Zone	