

Permitted water takes in recent (post NPS- FM) plans

Council	take	Conditions
Greater Wellington	20m ³ per day on properties greater than 20ha 10m ³ per day on properties less than 20ha	Rate of take must not exceed 2.5 L/sec
Horizons	15 m ³ per day	Rate of take must not exceed 2 L/sec
Canterbury	Various dependent on river or property size e.g. Up to 2m ³ per day for a small river (MALF<100 L/sec); Up to 10m ³ per day per day for a river with MALF 100-500m ³ /sec; Up to 20m ³ per day for a large river (MALF 500-10,000L/sec) Groundwater permitted activity: 10m ³ per day on a property smaller than 20ha Groundwater permitted activity 10m ³ -100m ³ per day on a property larger than 20ha	Cease at minimum flow Rate of take must not exceed 0.5 L/sec in small rivers and 5 L/sec in larger rivers
Auckland	5m ³ per day	
Marlborough	10m ³ per day	

Uses of water taken under the “general” permitted activity rule

The only “hard” information we have is based on two surveys of about 30 people (properties) at two locations in the Otukura/ Battersea area in 2007. The surveys indicate permitted water was used in these places for: horticulture, seed germination, irrigation, herbicide spraying, gardens and lawns, swimming pools and topping up consented water. Anecdotal information is that not many people are using the full amount of water available but using it to top up consented water amounts may be important to some.

As well as water used under the “general” permitted activity rule, permitted water is available for domestic, stock water and dairy sheds (and cooling-water).