

Part 3 Area Specific Matters: Special Purpose Zones – Māori Purpose Zones

The purpose of the Māori Purpose Zone is to enable a range of activities that specifically meet Māori cultural needs on land owned by tangata whenua and to assist Māori communities to provide for their unique social, cultural, environmental and economic needs within the Taupō District.

This zone recognises and provides for the relationship of Māori with Māori land.

The zone enables tangata whenua to exercise their customary responsibilities as kaitiaki and mana whenua and to undertake activities that reflect Māori customs and values. Pā/marae provide an important community focal point for social gatherings and cultural activities. Papakāinga and other activities that support and are compatible with, Māori Purpose Activities are anticipated in this zone. These include small scale business activities, community and educational activities.

District-wide chapters may also contain provisions that may be relevant for activities in the Māori Purpose Zone.

Māori Purpose Zones are mapped on district planning maps and listed in MPZ – Schedule01 – Māori Purpose Zones at the end of this chapter.

MPZ - Objectives

MPZ-01 Māori Purpose Zones recognise the relationship of Māori with their culture, traditions and ancestral lands by providing for activities that specifically meet Māori cultural needs, including social, cultural and economic development, and allows whānau to better establish and maintain an ongoing relationship with their ancestral lands.

MPZ-02 Activities that specifically meet Māori cultural needs can take place within Māori Purpose Zones in a manner that maintains and promotes the spiritual, cultural, social, economic and environmental interests and associations of tangata whenua with their lands.

MPZ-03 Tangata whenua can exercise their responsibilities as mana whenua in the Māori Purpose Zone to:

1. exercise their rights of kaitiakitanga, self-determination over their ancestral lands, water, sites and wāhi tapu;
2. provide a safe, nurturing environment for ngā uri (descendants), whānau (family), hapū (extended family), iwi me ngā manuhiri (tribe and visitors);
3. ensure the protection, maintenance and promotion of ngā taonga tuku iho (treasures); and
4. avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects of activities.

MPZ-04 Māori purpose activities and the comprehensive, coordinated and efficient development of ancestral land is enabled in the Māori Purpose Zone, whilst ensuring actual or potential adverse effects of activities are avoided, remedied or mitigated.

MPZ Policies

MPZ-P1 Provide for activities within Māori Purpose Zones that meet Māori cultural needs, including:

1. Māori purpose activities;
2. Māori cultural activities;
3. living activities;
4. general retail activities;
5. business service activities;
6. educational facilities;
7. visitor accommodation;
8. residential visitor accommodation;
9. agricultural, pastoral and horticultural activities; and
10. community facilities.

MPZ-P2 Recognise and provide for the role, character and function of different Māori Purpose Zones including those located within rural and urban settings.

MPZ-P3 Manage the scale, type and intensity of activities within a MPZ to ensure that they are compatible with the purpose, function and character of that Māori Purpose Zone.

MPZ-P4 Manage activities that are potentially compatible with the purpose, function and predominant character of the Māori Purpose Zone and ensure it is appropriate for such activities to establish in the Māori Purpose Zone having regard to whether:

1. the purpose of the activity assists tangata whenua to achieve MPZ-O1 - MPZ-O4;
2. the activity will assist Māori communities to provide for their social, cultural, environmental and economic needs;
3. there is adequate existing and/or planned infrastructure to service the activity;
4. any adverse effects on the environment can be appropriately avoided or appropriately remedied or mitigated;
5. any potential conflict between activities within the zone can be avoided or appropriately remedied or mitigated;
6. the extent to which the activity aligns with the classification of reserve land and with any reserve management plan activities on the site;
7. activities or development within the zone will not create, accelerate, displace, or increase the effects of a natural hazard.

MPZ-P5 Avoid land use and development which is incompatible with the purpose, function and character of the Māori Purpose Zone.

MPZ-P6 Subdivision of Māori Purpose Zones will not alienate Māori from their customary lands.

MPZ-P7 Recognise and provide for those activities in Māori Purpose Zones which will result in an enhancement of the natural environment including freshwater quality.

MPZ Rules

MPZ-R1 – Permitted Activities	Subject to
(1) Any activity, building, or structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Compliance MPZ-S1 to S9 unless specifically provided for in MPZ-Sched01 – Māori Purpose Zones; and b) Compliance with any relevant standards in MPZ-Sched01 – Māori Purpose Zones; and c) Compliance with all relevant standards in District Wide chapters, and d) is not identified as a CON, RDIS, DIS or NC activity within the MPZ, and e) is not identified as a CON, RDIS, DIS or NC activity within the Other Plan Matters.
(2) Business Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Is required to be owned or run by a resident of the site. b) No Industrial Activities in MPZ Urban c) Compliance with MPZ S1 to S9 including any identified Standard in MPZ-Sched01 – Māori Purpose Zones; and d) Compliance with all relevant standards in District Wide chapters, and e) Is not identified as a CON, RDIS, DIS or NC activity within the MPZ, and f) is not identified as a CON, RDIS, DIS or NC activity within the Other Plan Matters.
MPZ -R2 – Restricted Discretionary activities	Matters of Restricted Discretion
(1) Any activity that is not a permitted or discretionary activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Those Objectives and Policies set out in MPZ1 and MPZ2 b) Those standards or rules which the proposal does not comply with. c) Any effects on the ability of the site to provide for traditional uses. d) Any effects on the amenity of the zone and its ability to function effectively as mixed-use site. e) Any effects on the functioning of the surrounding environment including effects on Infrastructure.

	<p>f) The results of any geotechnical assessments associated with any proposed residential land uses – where an application triggers MPZ S5.</p> <p>Notification: Applications under MPZ-R2-RDIS (1) will not be notified.</p>
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MPZ Standards

NOTE: References to ‘zone’ on the standards refer to the specific Māori Purpose Zone which that activity is to take place.

MPZ – Rural	MPZ - Urban
S1 – Maximum Building Coverage	
<p>i 15% of the total area of that zone</p> <p>Or where a marae is present on the site, 15% of that part of the zone not covered by Marae buildings.</p> <p>Exception: Marae buildings</p>	<p>ii 55% of the total area of that zone</p> <p>Or where a marae is present on the site 40% of that part of the zone not covered by Marae Buildings.</p> <p>Exception: Marae Buildings</p>
S2 - Maximum Total Coverage	
N/A	<p>iii 75% of the zone</p> <p>Or where a marae is present on the zone, 50% of that part of the zone not covered by Marae Buildings.</p> <p>Exception: Marae Buildings</p>
S2 – Maximum Height to Boundary	
N/A	<p>i 2.5m</p> <p>Height at the boundary of the zone with a 45° recession plane except for common wall boundaries.</p>
S3 – Maximum Building Height	
<p>i 12m</p>	<p>ii 8m</p> <p>Exception: pouwhenua</p>
S4 – Minimum Building Setbacks from zone boundary	
<p>i 15m from the zone boundary. Exception Marae Buildings</p>	<p>ii 1.5m from the zone boundary</p>
S5 Number of Dwellings per zone	
<p>i 15 per zone</p>	N/A

MPZ – Rural	MPZ - Urban
S6 – Business Activities	
i The maximum gross area of these activities use shall not exceed 15% of the total area of that zone for indoor and 15% of the that zone for outdoor.	ii The maximum gross area of Commercial and Home Business activities shall not exceed 100m ² (indoor and outdoor) or 15% of the total area of that zone whatever is the larger.
S7 - Community uses (includes education, spiritual and health facilities).	
i The maximum gross area of these activities use shall not exceed 15% of the total area of that zone for indoor and 15% of the that zone for outdoor. Exception Marae Buildings	ii The maximum gross area of these uses shall not exceed 100m ² (indoor and outdoor) or 15% of the total area of that zone whatever is the larger. Exception: Marae Buildings
S8 - Vehicle Movements	
i 200 EVM’s for that zone or 24 per dwelling whichever is higher	ii 150 EVMs for that zone or 24 per dwelling whichever is higher.
S9 - Stormwater	
i. All stormwater from buildings and impermeable surfaces is to be disposed of on-site to meet a 10 year return period of 1 hour duration (45mm). ii. The function of existing secondary flow paths across the allotment shall be retained and the existing discharge point off the site shall remain unaltered as to position. iii. EXCEPTION: Stormwater from impermeable surfaces can be disposed of via a primary or secondary stormwater drainage system within an area identified on the Planning Maps as a Stormwater Disposal Area, provided Council authorisation has been given.	

MPZ-Sched01- Māori Purpose Zones

Site ID	Identifier	Type	Standard	Map ref
MPZ1	address	Res or rural	Reference specific existing or proposed activities associated with that Zone.	
MPZ2				
MPZ3				

Part 2 –District Wide Matters – General District Wide Matters

Signs

Sign X
4m ² Total Face Area of all signs within a MPZ zone.

Light

Light X – MPZ Max Artificial Light
8 LUX (lumens per square meter) at the boundary of that zone.

Noise

Noise X - Maximum Noise Limits	
MPZ Maximum Noise Limits	<p>The noise level arising from any activity measured within the boundary of any Residential Environment site or the notional boundary of any Rural Environment site, other than from the MPZ Zone where the noise is generated, shall not exceed the following limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. 7.00am – 7.00pm 50dBA L_{eq}ii. 7.00pm – 10.00pm 45dBA L_{eq}iii. 10.00pm – 7.00am 40dBA L_{eq} and 70dBA L_{max}

Part 2 –District Wide Matters - Subdivision

The following new rule is to be added:

SUB-RX – Restricted Discretionary activities	Matters of Restricted Discretion
X. Subdivision within MPZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Those Objectives and Policies set out in MPZ1 and MPZ2 b) The need for the land to remain as Māori land. c) The need to ensure an ongoing connection between the land and its ancestral owners. d) The ability of the land to meet Māori cultural needs. e) That the land is to be used for traditional activities. <p>Notification: Applications under SUB-X2-RDIS X will not be notified.</p>

Part One Interpretation - Definitions

The following definitions are to be added:

Maori Purpose Activities: means the use of land and structures for a range of activities for Māori cultural, community and living purposes, and integrated Māori development, including but not limited to one or more of the following activities:

- marae;
- papakāinga;
- urupā;
- wānanga;
- customary activities;
- home business;
- arts and cultural centres;
- cultural education and research facilities;
- Māori cultural activities;
- childcare services, kōhanga reo or kura (schools); and

Maori Cultural Activities: means activities undertaken by or associated with whanau, hapū or iwi that are in accordance with tikanga.

Marae: Means kaupapa Māori cultural complex centred around a whareniui (meeting house). A complex can include a range of ancillary structures and activities such as whare kai (kitchen & dining facilities), a whare moe (sleeping spaces), whare hui (meeting spaces), Whare paku (ablution blocks), administration spaces, whare taonga (spaces for displaying treasures), permanent hāngī pits, outdoor food preparation areas, small-scale associated storage areas, carving installations, and landscaped outdoor areas.