# GRID - National Grid

## **Rules**

GRID-RI	Buildings, structures and sensitive land u	Buildings, structures and sensitive land use within the National Grid Yard in a		
Road	(I) Activity status: PER	(2) Activity status where		
	Activity-specific standards:	compliance not achieved: NC		
	(a) Buildings, structures and			
	sensitive land use within the			
	National Grid Yard in a road			
	that comply with all of the			
	following standards:			
	(i) Building alterations and			
	additions to an existing			
	building or structure that			
	does not involve an increase			
	in the building height or			
	footprint; or			
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	(ii) Infrastructure (other than for			
	the reticulation and storage of water for irrigation			
	purposes) undertaken by a			
	network utility operator as			
	defined in the Resource			
	Management Act 1991; or			
	(iii) Non-habitable horticultural			
	buildings; or			
	(iv) Artificial crop protection			
	and support structures			
	(v) Fences less than 2.5m in			
	height, measured from the			
	natural ground level			
	immediately below the structure; and			
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	(vi) Minor structures associated			
	with farming activity that are			
	not situated within 12m of the outer visible foundation			
	of any National Grid tower			
	or 10m of the outer visible			
	foundation of a National Grid			
	tower, including: fences,			
	gates, stock exclusion			
	structures, cattle-stops, stock			
	underpasses, stock bridges			
	and culvert crossings, and			
	drinking water supply			
	pipelines, troughs, and water			
	storage tanks.			

- (b) All buildings or structures permitted by Rule GRID-RI(I)(a) must:
  - (i) Comply with the New
    Zealand Electrical Code of
    Practice for Electrical Safe
    Distances 34:2001 ISSN
    0114-0663 under all National
    Grid transmission line
    operating conditions; and
  - (ii) Locate a minimum 12m from the outer visible foundation of any National Grid support structure foundation and associated stay wire, unless it is:
  - (iii) A building or structure where Transpower has given written approval in accordance with clause 2.4.1 of the NZECP; or
  - (iv) Fences less than 2.5m in height, measured from the natural ground level immediately below the structure, and located a minimum of 5m from the nearest National Grid support structure foundation; or
  - (v) Network utilities (other than for the reticulation and storage of water for irrigation purposes) or any part of electricity infrastructure undertaken by a network utility operator as defined in the Resource Management Act 1991, that connects to the National Grid; and
  - (vi) Not permanently physically impede existing vehicular access to a National Grid support structure
- (c) Artificial crop protection structures and support structures between 8m and 12m from a single pole support structure but not a tower and any associated guy wire that:
  - (i) Meet the requirements of the NZECP 34:2001 ISSN 0114-

- 0663 for separation distances from the conductor;
- (ii) Are no higher than 2.5m;
- (iii) Are removable or temporary, to allow a clear working space of at least 12m from the pole when necessary for maintenance and emergency repair purposes;
- (iv) Allow all-weather access to the pole and a sufficient area for maintenance equipment, including a crane.

### **GRID-R2** Earthworks activities within a road within the National Grid Yard

# Road

## (I) Activity status: PER

# Activity-specific standards:

- (a) Earthworks within the National Grid Yard that comply with all of the following standards:
  - (i) Do not exceed a depth (measured vertically) of 300mm within 12m of the outer visible edge of any National Grid support structure foundation.
  - (ii) Do not compromise the stability of a National Grid support structure;
  - (iii) Do not result in the loss of access to any National Grid support structure; and
  - (iv) Do not result in a reduction in the ground to conductor clearance distances of less than 6.5m (measured vertically) from a 110kV National Grid transmission line, or 7.5m 9measured vertically) from a 220kV National Grid transmission line.
- (b) The following earthworks activities are exempt from Rule GRID-R2(1)(a):
  - (i) Earthworks that are undertaken by a network utility operator (other than for the reticulation and storage of water for irrigation purposes) as

## (2) Activity status: RDIS

#### Where:

(a) Earthworks within a road within the National Grid Yard that do not comply with Rule GRID-R2(I)(a)(i) but comply with standards (ii) (iii) and (iv) of Rule GRID-R2(I)(a):

# Council's discretion is restricted to the following matters:

- (b) Impacts on the operation, maintenance, upgrading and development of the National Grid:
- (c) The risk to the structural integrity of the affected National Grid support structure(s);
- (d) Any impact on the ability of the National Grid owner (Transpower) to access the National Grid;
- (e) The risk of electrical hazards affecting public or individual safety, and the risk of property damage.
- (f) Technical advice provided by the National Grid owner (Transpower); and
- (g) Any effects on National Grid support structures including the creation of an unstable batter.

## (3) Activity status: NC

#### Where:

	defined by the Resource Management Act 1991;	(a) Earthworks within a road within
	(ii) Earthworks undertaken as	the National Grid Yard do not comply with Rule GRID-R2(2).
	part of agricultural or	
	domestic cultivation, or repair, sealing or resealing of	
	a road, footpath, driveway or farm track;	
	(iii) Vertical holes not exceeding 500mm in diameter that:	
	(I) are more than 1.5m from the outer edge of the pole support structure or stay wire; or	
	(2) are a post hole for a	
	farm fence or horticulture structure	
	more than 6m from	
	the visible outer edge	
	of a tower support structure foundation.	
GRID-R3	Below ground transmission lines associated with the National Grid no	
Road	within identified areas  (1) A stirity status PDIS  (2) A stirity status where	
Road	(1) Activity status: RDIS Activity-specific standards:	(2) Activity status where compliance not achieved: n/a
	Nil.	
	Council's discretion is restricted to the following matters:	
	(a) The functional and operational needs of, and benefits derived from, the infrastructure;	
	(b) Visual, streetscape and amenity effects; and	
	(c) The risk of electrical hazards affecting public or individual safety, and risk of property damage.	
GRID-R4	Transformers, substations and switching stations associated with the National Grid not located within Identified Areas	
Road	(I) Activity status: RDIS	(2) Activity status where
	Activity-specific standards:	compliance not achieved: n/a
	Nil.	
	Council's discretion is restricted	
	to the following matters:	
	(a) The functional and operational needs of, and benefits derived from, the infrastructure;	

	(b) Visual, streetscape and amenity	
	effects; and	
	(c) The risk of electrical hazards	
	affecting public or individual	
	safety, and risk of property	
	damage.	
GRID-R5	The subdivision of land in a road within	1
Road	(I) Activity status: RDIS	(2) Activity status where
	Activity-specific standards:	compliance not achieved: NC
	(a) The subdivision of land in a road	
	within the National Grid	
	Subdivision Corridor that	
	complies with all of the following standards:	
	(i) All resulting allotments be able to demonstrate that	
	they are capable of	
	accommodating a building	
	platform for the likely	
	principal building(s) and any	
	building(s) for a sensitive land	
	use outside of the National	
	Grid Yard, other than where	
	the allotments are for roads,	
	access ways or infrastructure;	
	(ii) The layout of allotments and	
	any enabling earthworks	
	must ensure that physical	
	access is maintained to any	
	National Grid support	
	structures located on the	
	allotments, including any	
	balance area.	
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	Council's discretion is restricted to the following matters:	
	(b) The subdivision layout and	
	design in regard to how this may	
	impact on the operation,	
	maintenance, upgrading and	
	development of, including access	
	to, the National Grid;	
	(c) The ability to provide a	
	complying building platform	
	outside of the National Grid Yard;	
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	(d) The risk of electrical hazards affecting public or individual	
	safety, and the risk of property	
	damage;	
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	(e) The nature and location of any vegetation to be planted in the vicinity of National Grid transmission lines, and the how such landscaping will impact on the operation, maintenance, upgrade and development (including access) of the National Grid;  (f) The risk to the structural integrity of the National Grid; and  (g) The extent to which the subdivision design and consequential development will minimise the potential reverse sensitivity on and amenity and nuisance effects of the National Grid asset.	
GRID-R6	New above and below ground transmission lines associated with the National Grid within Identified Areas	
Road	(I) Activity status: DIS	
GRID-R7	New above-ground transmission lines associated with the National Grid not located within Identified Areas	
Road	(I) Activity status: DIS	
GRID-R8	Substations and switching stations associated with the National Grid located within Identified Areas	
Road	(I) Activity status: NC	
GRID-R9	Any new building for a sensitive land use, or addition to an existing building that involves an increase in the building envelope or height for a sensitive land use, within a road and within the National Grid Yard	
Road	(I) Activity status: NC	
GRID-R10	Any change of use of an existing building to a sensitive land use within a road and within the National Grid Yard	
Road	(I) Activity status: NC	
GRID-RII	The establishment of any new sensitive land use within a road and within the National Grid Yard	
Road	(I) Activity status: NC	