

6 GENERAL RULE

6.20 ACTIVITIES ON THE SURFACE OF WATER

6.20.1 ISSUES, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES AND METHODS

See Part B(2) and (3).

6.20.2 RULES FOR ACTIVITIES ON THE SURFACE OF WATER

6.20.2.1 PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

The following are permitted activities on the surface of water in rivers:

(1) All Rivers

The use of motorised craft, at any time of year, where involved in search and rescue, scientific research, or resource management monitoring.

(2) The use of non motorised craft, at any time of year, except where used as a commercial activity.

(3) Opihi River

(a) The use of motorised craft by the New Zealand Jet Boat Association for up to two family day events on the Opihi River between the State Highway 1 Bridge and the confluence of the Opihi and Opuha Rivers within the period September to February (inclusive) conducted between 10.00am and 3.00pm when the river flow measured at the State Highway 1 Bridge exceeds 30 cumecs.

(b) The use of motorised craft on the waters of the estuarine lagoon area of the Opihi River at speeds not exceeding 5 knots.

(c) Up to one jet sprint event conducted by the New Zealand Jet Boat Association outside but adjacent to the mainstream of the Opihi River, of up to two days duration in September of any one year.

(4) Rangitata River

The use of motorised craft on the Rangitata River at any time other than above Red Rocks also known as Turn Again Bend (NZMS 260, Sheet J36, Grid Reference 515208) between March and July (inclusive), or where used as part of a commercial activity.

6.20.2.2 DISCRETIONARY ACTIVITIES

The following are discretionary activities subject to complying with the General Rules:

- (1) Commercial activities involving craft on the surface of water (other than for motorised activities on the Opihi River).
- (2) Establishment and operation of areas for use by motorised craft for recreational activities on the surface of any water body other than the Opihi and Rangitata rivers.

NOTE: When considering applications for discretionary activities regard shall be had to the Performance Standards for the zone.

6.20.2.3 PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH NO RESOURCE CONSENT SHALL BE GRANTED

The use of any motorised craft not provided for as a permitted or discretionary activity.