

New Zealand Legislation

Building Act 2004

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Warning: Some amendments have not yet been incorporated

- Sections 272E and 272ZG: publication, presentation, and disallowance information corrected on 8 May 2025.

72 Building consent for building on land subject to natural hazards must be granted in certain cases

Despite [section 71](#), a building consent authority that is a territorial authority must grant a building consent if the building consent authority considers that—

- (a) the building work to which an application for a building consent relates will not accelerate, worsen, or result in a natural hazard on the land on which the building work is to be carried out or any other property; and
- (b) the land is subject or is likely to be subject to 1 or more natural hazards; and
- (c) it is reasonable to grant a waiver or modification of the [building code](#) in respect of the natural hazard concerned.

Compare: 1991 No 150 s 36(2)

Section 72: amended, on 15 March 2008, by [section 13](#) of the Building Amendment Act 2008 (2008 No 4).