

4.4 General standards

These general standards apply where a rule explicitly states that these standards must be complied with.

4.4.1 Height (New Plymouth Airport)

No structure or part of any structure shall interfere with the New Plymouth Airport Flight Path Protection Surfaces described in Section 4.3 of the plan.

4.4.2 Light

Light sources shall be shielded so that the light source is not directly visible from any residence, vehicle on a public road or ship under navigation, provided that this shall not apply in the case of:

- (i) navigation aids; or
- (ii) lighting required under the Acts of Parliament for the safety of ships or offshore installations and aircraft.

4.4.3 Noise

- (a) Activities (excluding construction, maintenance and demolition work and temporary military training) in the coastal marine area should not create noise that exceeds the following limits when measured at the boundary of the nearest affected property:

Monday to Friday	7am to 10pm	55 dBA L ₁₀
Saturday	7am to 12pm	55 dBA L ₁₀
All other times		45 dBA L ₁₀

Provided that when the background sound level exceeds these limits (due to noise of the sea, wind noise, traffic noise or other uncontrollable types of noise) the limits shall not apply but every person shall remain under the duty to avoid unreasonable noise in Section 16 of the Act.

Noise measurement and assessment will be in accordance with New Zealand Standard 6801: 1991 Measurement of Sound and New Zealand Standard 6802: Assessment of Environmental Sound.

- (b) Construction, maintenance or demolition activities shall comply with the relevant standards set out in New Zealand Standard NZS6803P:1984 *The measurement and assessment of noise from construction, maintenance and demolition work*.

Provided that when the background sound level exceeds these limits (due to noise of the sea, wind noise, traffic noise or other uncontrollable types of noise) the limits shall not apply but every person shall remain under the duty to avoid unreasonable noise in Section 16 of the Act.

- (c) Temporary military training activities in the coastal marine area should not create noise that exceeds the following limits when measured from a line 20 metres from and parallel to the facade of any dwelling used for accommodation or the legal boundary where this is closest to the dwelling or building:

Time	Limits(dba)
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(any day)	L_{10}	L_{95}	L_{max}
0630-0730	60	45	70
0730-1800	75	60	90
1800-2000	70	55	85

The following maximum noise levels shall apply in respect of the interface with residential zones from 2000 hours - 0630 hours any day:

	L_{10}
0000-0630	40
2000-2400	40

Noise resulting from the use of explosives shall not exceed 122 dba.

Provided that when the background sound level exceeds these limits (due to noise of the sea, wind noise, traffic noise or other uncontrollable types of noise) the limits shall not apply but every person shall remain under the duty to avoid unreasonable noise in section 16 of the Act.