

Resource Consent Application Form 27

Use of land for intensive grazing



This application is made under Section 88 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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IMPORTANT NOTES TO THE APPLICANT

This form is to be used for the use of land for intensive grazing activities that require consent. Ensure that you complete this Application Form 27 and Resource Consent Application Form 1 in full.

Intensive grazing: Means grazing of stock on forage crops (including brassica, beet and root vegetable crops), excluding pasture and cereal crops.

Critical source area: Means a landscape feature such as a gully, swale or depression that accumulates runoff from adjacent flats and slopes and delivers it to surface water bodies such as rivers and lakes, artificial waterways, and field tiles.

Please refer to the **Intensive Grazing Factsheet** for additional information about the use of land for intensive grazing.

The application will be assessed in terms of potential adverse effects on soil loss, water quality and cultural values.

For the consent application to be processed efficiently in the minimum time and at minimum cost, it is critical that as much relevant information as possible is included with the application. If all the necessary information is not entered on the form or supplied with the application then Otago Regional Council may return your application, request further information, or publicly notify your application. This will lead to delays in the processing of your application and may increase processing costs. This application form, when properly completed, should provide an adequate "Assessment of Effects on the Environment" (AEE) where the adverse effects of a proposal are not significant. However, this can only be determined on application.

You may wish to provide a separate AEE using this form as template.

PART A: GENERAL

A.1 Is this application (*tick which applies*):

for a NEW consent to use land for intensive grazing?

to REPLACE a current land use consent?

Land use consent number: _____

Expiry date: _____

A.2 What is the reason you require consent?

If you don't tick any of the criteria below, your intensive grazing activity may be permitted.

Check Rule 14.6.1 of Proposed Plan Change 8 of the Water Plan to confirm.

- The area to be intensively grazed is greater than either 100 ha, or 10 % of your total landholding
- Intensive grazing will occur within a critical source area
- Stock will not be progressively grazed from the top to the bottom of sloped blocks
- A strip of vegetation of at least 10 m will not be maintained between the intensive grazing area and any water body

PART B: LOCATION OF THE LAND USE ACTIVITY

B.1 Landholding within which land will be intensively grazed

A landholding is defined as either land in a single certificate of title, land in two or more adjoining certificates of title with a common occupier, or all contiguous land acquired under one instrument of conveyance and occupied by a common occupier.

a. Name of owner(s)

b. Address/Location

c. How big is the landholding?

_____ hectares

d. Legal description(s) of the landholding (as shown on Certificate of Title)

e. Please attach a current Certificate of Title to the application

- Yes, Certificate of Title attached

B.2 Land to be intensively grazed

As your consent to use land for intensive grazing may be granted with a duration of several years, please identify all areas of land that may be used for intensive grazing over the requested duration, as well as how much of this land will be used intensive grazing each year.

- a. How much of the landholding is currently used for intensive grazing?
_____ hectares
- b. How much of the landholding may be used for intensive grazing over the life of the consent?
_____ hectares
- c. How much land will be used for intensive grazing each year?
_____ hectares
- d. What is the nature of the terrain on which intensive grazing will occur, including slope (flat, rolling, steep) and the direction of slope?
Attaching the map required below will help you with this answer.

B.3 Please provide a map or aerial image showing:

- The landholding boundary, as per the legal description(s) above
- All areas that may be used for intensive grazing
- Within and near the areas that may be used for intensive grazing, identify:
 - Any critical source areas
 - Any water bodies (including rivers, lakes, ponds and streams)
 - Any wetlands
 - Any subsurface drainage
 - Any bores or soakholes
- Nature of the terrain to be intensively grazed, including slope (flat, rolling, steep) and direction of slope
- A north symbol (oriented to the top of the page if possible) and scale bar

B.4 In addition to the map or aerial image required above, you may also provide some photos of the areas of your landholding that will be used for intensive grazing and any critical source areas or waterways. You may also provide some photos of your current intensive grazing practices, if these reflect how the proposed activity will be managed.

PART C: NATURE OF THE LAND USE ACTIVITY

As consent to use land for intensive grazing may be granted with a duration of several years, please identify all potential crops that are likely to be grown and stock types that are likely to be grazed. We acknowledge that these details may change over time, but please provide your best estimate.

C.1 Forage crop types to be grazed

For the purposes of intensive grazing, forage crops include brassica, beet and root vegetable crops, but exclude pasture and cereal crops.

a. What types of forage crops will be, or are likely to be, intensively grazed?

C.2 Stock types to be grazed

As your consent to use land for intensive grazing may be granted with a duration of several years, please identify the total area of land that may be utilised for intensive grazing over the requested duration, as well as how much of this land will be used intensive grazing each year.

a. Please fill in the table below detailing the types of stock that will be, or are likely to be grazed, and when they will be grazed.

Stock type	Stock class	Stock numbers	Duration of intensive grazing
eg Dairy	Replacements	100	Approx 100 days from May to July

b. Any further details on stock to be intensively grazed?

PART D: MANAGEMENT OF THE GRAZING ACTIVITY

D.1 How will you manage the intensive grazing activity?

Please provide details of how you will manage the intensive grazing activity. This may include:

- maintaining a vegetation buffer between the grazing area and any water bodies
- break or block fencing
- grazing from the top to the bottom of a slope
- back fencing
- pre-placing baleage
- transportable water troughs and supplement feeders
- planting a catch crop
- using a stand-off area if conditions are unsuitable

Management strategies may change across land, crop and stock types, so please be as specific as possible.

F.1 Have any alternatives to intensive grazing been considered? If so, why is intensive grazing being utilised over the alternatives?

PART G: CONSULTATION

G.1 Please describe any consultation undertaken with persons/parties potentially affected by your proposed discharge.

Parties may include Public Health South, landowners, neighbours, Aukaha, Te Ao Marama, Fish and Game Otago and Department of Conservation.

G.2 Please attach any written approvals received to the application.

Please note that the Council only accepts unconditional written approvals and any conditions proposed by affected parties need to be agreed to and incorporated into the application.

PART H: DEPOSIT

A deposit is required upon lodgement of your application. Refer to the fees on Form 1. This deposit is not the final or maximum cost of your application. Further charges are incurred in accordance with Councils scale of fees and charges.

H.1 Deposit Enclosed

- Yes
 No

PART I: CHECK LIST

I.1 Use the checklist below to ensure you've provided all of the relevant information to complete your application.

- Fully completed this application form and Form 1?
- Attached a detailed site map? Refer to B.3
- Attached any relevant photos? Refer to B.4
- Attached any written approvals? Refer to G.2
- Paid your deposit or attached a cheque? Refer to H.1
- Attached Certificate of Title(s) less than 3 months old? Refer to B.1

Policy Assessment. See *help sheet*.

To keep consent processing costs to a minimum it is strongly recommended that the checklist is complete and all items required are attached **before** you lodge your application to the Otago Regional Council.

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