

## 25.3 Events and Temporary Activities

### 25.3.1 Purpose

- a) Events such as concerts, parades, festivals, galas, meetings or exhibitions occur on a regular basis throughout the City.
- b) Temporary activities include construction activities and temporary helicopter landing pads. Construction can involve temporary structures such as site offices and cranes near roads, and generate various adverse effects including unusually heavy traffic movements.
- c) The temporary nature of the activities generally makes any adverse effects more acceptable to the community. Consequently, many events and temporary activities of short duration are tolerated by those affected while others enjoy what the event has to offer.
- d) Events and temporary activities make a contribution to the economic, social and cultural wellbeing and help create a vibrant Hamilton.

### 25.3.2 Objectives and Policies: Events and Temporary Activities

Objective	Policies
<b>25.3.2.1</b> Temporary activities and events are managed in a way that contributes to economic, social and cultural wellbeing and to creating a vibrant City, while adverse effects on the environment are minimised.	<b>25.3.2.1a</b> The positive effects of events and temporary activities shall be recognised and encouraged.
	<b>25.3.2.1b</b> Events and temporary activities shall be managed to minimise adverse effects including noise, light spill, glare, dust, odour, litter, effects on public health and safety, and the safe and efficient functioning of transport networks.
<b>Explanation</b>	
<i>Events bring in thousands of visitors and significant economic, social and cultural benefits to the City and its surrounds.</i>	
Objective	Policies
<b>25.3.2.2</b> Temporary activities and events are located appropriately.	<b>25.3.2.2a</b> Events and temporary activities shall be located where adverse effects can be adequately managed, with particular consideration given to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Expected attendance numbers, the facilities provided at the site, including for entry and exit, crowd control, and health and safety.</li> <li>ii. The timing, duration, scale and intensity of the adverse effects, including noise, dust, odour, lighting, glare, and waste.</li> </ol>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iii. The safety and efficiency of transport networks.</li> <li>iv. The frequency of events and temporary activities at any one location and associated cumulative effects.</li> <li>v. Any alternative venues available and suitable for all or part of the event, with preference given to permanent venues over temporary venues.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>25.3.2.2b</b></p> <p>Temporary structures and buildings shall be sited to minimise adverse effects on surrounding property and activities.</p>
<b>Explanation</b>	
<p><i>The adverse effects of events and temporary activities are usually mitigated by their infrequent nature, short duration, limited scale and their social, cultural and economic benefits. However, it is important to manage events and temporary activities that generate significant adverse environmental effects. For this reason some events and temporary activities will require resource consent when they exceed a certain scale or threshold of effects, which are defined by standards.</i></p>	

### 25.3.3 Rules – Activity Status Table

Activity	Class
<b>Events</b>	
a) Events	P
b) Events or activities associated with events on the Waikato River or Lake Rotoroa (Lake Hamilton) – motorised or non-motorised	P
c) Events or activities associated with events on Lake Rotokaeo (Forest Lake) or Lake Waiwhakareke (Horseshoe Lake) – motorised or non-motorised	NC
<b>Temporary Activities</b>	
d) Hot-air balloon launching	P
e) Pyrotechnic displays	P
f) Temporary activities in a public place	P
g) Temporary buildings and structures ancillary to a permitted event or permitted activity in an Open Space Zone	P
h) Temporary buildings and structures incidental to a building or construction project	P
i) Large projection and TV screens	P
j) Temporary landing/takeoff points for helicopters	P
k) Temporary retail	P

**Note**

1. Refer to the Hamilton City Public Places Bylaw and Hamilton City Public Places Policy for other restrictions to activities in a public place.
2. Refer to the Council policy on Pyrotechnic Displays on Council-Administered Reserves.
3. Events may be required to obtain other approvals outside those required by the District Plan, e.g. temporary road closures. These approvals may be subject to timeframes of up to 60 working days.
4. Refer to Waikato Regional Council Navigation Safety Bylaw.
5. For any activity not identified above, see Section 1.1.8.1.

## 25.3.4 Rules – General Standards

- a) All activities in this chapter shall comply with the zone lighting standards in Chapter 25.6: City-wide – Lighting and Glare.
- b) In the event there is conflict between the provisions of Chapter 25.3: Events and Temporary Activities of the District Plan and the provisions of any other chapter in the District Plan, the provisions of Chapter 25.3 prevail.

## 25.3.5 Rules – Specific Standards

### 25.3.5.1 Information to be Provided with Resource Consent Applications for Events

- a) Any event that is required to obtain a resource consent is also required to submit with that resource consent application a:
  - i. Waste Management Plan (Appendix 1.2.2.13).
  - ii. Transport Management Plan (Appendix 1.2.2.13).
  - iii. Noise Management Plan (Appendix 1.2.2.13).

**Note**

1. Irrespective of District Plan requirements, all events that expect to have over 1000 people attend are required to have a Waste Management Plan under the Solid Waste Bylaw.
2. Irrespective of District Plan requirements, all events within the Transport Corridor Zone are required to submit a Temporary Traffic Management Plan under the Local Government Act.
3. Some permitted events may require a noise management plan to be submitted prior to the event occurring (refer to Rules 25.3.5.2(c)(vi) and 25.3.5.3(e)(vi)).

### 25.3.5.2 Events at Hamilton Gardens, Central City Zone – Downtown Precinct (including Garden Place, Civic Square and Hood St) and Central City Zone – Ferrybank Precinct

- a) No more than 5000 people shall attend an event at any one time.
- b) Events shall take place only between the following hours.
  - i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.

**Note**

1. The time periods used to set noise limits within zones may vary to the hours set for when events are allowed to take place.
- c) The noise standards for the relevant zone in Chapter 25.8: City-wide – Noise and Vibration shall apply to all events except for those events on six days per calendar year when the following standards (i-vi) shall apply:

- i. The noise from the event (including practice or testing) does not exceed the following noise levels at any point within the notional boundary of any other site within the:

- Future Urban Zone

Or, any point within the boundary of any other site in the:

- Residential Zone
- Special Character Zone

Time of day	Noise levels	
	L <sub>Aeq</sub> [15 min]	L <sub>AFmax</sub>
1000 – 2400 hours	75 dB 70 dB at 63Hz 65 dB at 125Hz	85 dB

- ii. Standard (i) above shall not apply to crowd noise from events.
- iii. The event does not exceed six hours' duration per day.
- iv. Testing or practice involving the use of electronic sound amplification does not exceed two hours.
- v. The public is notified of any one-off event at least 48 hours before the event commences, including information about:
- A. The nature of the event and that noise limits for general activities may be exceeded.
  - B. Proposed dates, start and finish time of the event itself and the expected times of any sound testing or practice.
  - C. Contact details before and during the event.
  - D. Possible alternative dates in the event of postponement.

**Note**

1. Suitable methods for achieving compliance with this standard are:
  - a) The publishing of a public notice containing the required information in a newspaper with a circulation that covers the entire area affected by the proposal, or
  - b) By placing a physical notice containing the required information at the site where the event will be held at least 48 hours before the event commences, and
  - c) By written notice containing the required information being delivered to the physical address of all adjacent residents and landowners at least 48 hours before the event commences.

- vi. Provide a noise management plan to Council at least 48 hours before the event commences to demonstrate compliance with these noise standards.

25.3-5.3 Events at Innes Common, Hamilton Lake Domain, Wintec (City and Rotokauri), and Within the Knowledge Zone

- a) No more than 5000 people shall attend an event at any one time.
- b) No more than six events per calendar year shall be held at each place.

- c) No event shall exceed three consecutive days (excluding preparation and clean up).
- d) Events shall take place between the following hours.
- i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.

**Note**

1. The time periods used to set noise limits within zones may vary to the hours set for when events are allowed to take place.

- e) The noise standards in 25.8.3.9a) shall apply to all events except for those events on six days per calendar year when the following standards (i-iv) shall apply:
- i. The noise from the event (including practice or testing) does not exceed the following noise levels at any point within the notional boundary of any other site within the:

- Future Urban Zone

Or, any point within the boundary of any other site in the:

- Residential Zone
- Special Character Zone

Time of day	Noise levels	
	L <sub>Aeq</sub> [15 min]	L <sub>AFmax</sub>
1000 – 2400 hours	75 dB 70 dB at 63Hz 65 dB at 125Hz	85 dB

- ii. Standard (i) above shall not apply to crowd noise from events.
- iii. The event does not exceed six hours' duration per day.
- iv. Testing or practice involving the use of electronic sound amplification does not exceed two hours.
- v. The public is notified of each event at least 14 days before the event, including information about:
  - A. The nature of the event and that noise limits for general activities may be exceeded.
  - B. Proposed dates, start and finish time of the event itself and the expected times of any sound testing or practice.
  - C. Contact details before and during the event.
  - D. Possible alternative dates in the event of postponement.

**Note**

1. A suitable method for achieving compliance with this standard is the publishing of a public notice containing the required information in a newspaper with a circulation that covers the entire area affected by the proposal.
- vi. Provide a noise management plan to Council at least one month before the event to demonstrate compliance with these noise standards.

25.3.5.4 Events in the Destination Open Space Zone (excluding Lake Waiwhakareke), Sport and Recreation Open Space Zone (apart from those covered in 25.3.5.2 and 25.3.5.3)

- a) No more than 3000 people shall attend an event at any one time.
- b) No more than three events per calendar year shall be held at each place.
- c) No event shall exceed two consecutive days' duration (excluding preparation and cleanup time).
- d) The noise standards in 25.8.3.9 shall apply.
- e) Events shall take place between the following hours.
  - i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.

**Note**

1. The time periods used to set noise limits within zones may vary to the hours set for when events are allowed to take place.

25.3.5.5 Events or Activities Associated with Events on the Waikato River or Lake Rotoroa (Lake Hamilton) – Motorised or Non-motorised

- a) No motorised event shall exceed two consecutive days' duration (excluding preparation and cleanup time).
- b) A maximum of three motorised events on the Waikato River shall take place per calendar year.
- c) Noise generated by the event shall comply with the noise standards in 25.8.3.9.
- d) Events shall take place between the following hours.
  - i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.

**Note**

1. The time periods used to set noise levels within the zone noise rules may vary to the hours set for when events are allowed to take place.

25.3.5.6 Frankton Markets

- a) The markets shall operate within the areas defined in Figure 25.3.1.
- b) The markets shall take place on Saturdays between the hours of 0500 and 1430 (including set up and pack down).
- c) The markets require an approved Transport Management Plan.

**Figure 25.3.1:** Location of Frankton Markets**Note**

1. Refer to the Hamilton City Public Places Bylaw and Hamilton City Public Places Policy for any further restrictions on activities in a public place, including an approved Transport Management Plan.

## 25.3.5.7 Events in the Rest of the City

- a) No more than 1000 people shall attend an event at any one time.
- b) No more than three events per calendar year shall be held at each location.
- c) No event shall exceed two consecutive days' duration (excluding preparation and cleanup time).
- d) Events shall take place between the following hours.
  - i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.

**Note**

1. The time periods used to set noise levels within the zone noise rules may vary to the hours set for when events are allowed to take place.
- e) Noise generated by the event shall comply with the noise standards for the relevant zone in Chapter 25.8: City-wide – Noise and Vibration.

## 25.3.5.8 Temporary Buildings and Structures Incidental to a Construction Project

- a) Temporary buildings and structures shall be removed within three months after the last day of the project or within three months of ceasing to be used, whichever is earlier.

### 25.3.5.9 Temporary Buildings and Structures Ancillary to a Permitted Event or Permitted Activity in an Open Space Zone

- a) All buildings and structures shall be removed and the site returned to its original condition within five working days after the last day of the event or activity.
- b) All buildings and structures (excluding temporary fences) shall comply with the building setback standards for the zone in which they are located.
- c) All buildings and structures shall comply with the maximum building height standards for the zone in which they are located.

### 25.3.5.10 Temporary Landing and Takeoff Points for Helicopters

The use of temporary landing and takeoff points for helicopters shall be subject to the following standards.

Activity	Standards
a) Emergencies	None. Emergency landings and take-offs are not subject to any standards in the Plan
b) Helicopter use incidental to construction project	All takeoffs and landings shall only occur during daylight hours
c) Any other purpose	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The site is used for takeoffs and landings on no more than five days in any 12-month period</li> <li>ii. The site is used for takeoffs and landings on no more than two consecutive days</li> </ol>

### 25.3.5.11 Pyrotechnic Displays

- a) Pyrotechnic displays shall take place between the following hours.
  - i. 0700 and 2230 Sunday to Thursday.
  - ii. 0700 and 2400 Friday and Saturday.
- b) The noise standards in Chapter 25.8: City-wide – Noise and Vibration and Chapter 25.3: Events and Temporary Activities shall not apply to pyrotechnic displays.

**Note**

1. Pyrotechnic displays are also hazardous facilities and need to comply with Chapter 25.4: City-wide – Hazardous Facilities. Other legislation, regulations and codes of practice apply to pyrotechnic displays, for example the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.

### 25.3.5.12 Temporary Retail

- a) Temporary retail sites shall be established only in the Central City, Industrial, Ruakura Logistics, Ruakura Industrial Park Zone, Knowledge or Business 1 to 7 Zones.
- b) Zone bulk and location standards shall not apply (e.g. setbacks, site coverage).
- c) Such a site shall operate only for a maximum of 10 days per site per calendar year.
- d) Such a site shall be only a maximum of 100m<sup>2</sup>.
- e) Temporary retail sites shall also comply with any other relevant rules in Chapter 25: City-wide.



### 25.3.6 Other Resource Consent Information

Refer to Chapter 1: Plan Overview for guidance on the following.

- How to Use this District Plan
- Explanation of Activity Status
- Activity Status Defaults
- Notification / Non-notification Rules
- Rules Having Early or Delayed Effect

Refer to Volume 2, Appendix 1: District Plan Administration for the following.

- Definitions and Terms Used in the District Plan
- Information Requirements
- Controlled Activities – Matters of Control
- Restricted Discretionary, Discretionary and Non-Complying Activities Assessment Criteria
- Design Guides
- Other Methods of Implementation