

Public Notice

Public Notice: Provisions to allow the installation and use of Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners

The Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Gerry Brownlee has decided on amendments to the Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan (NRRP). These amendments will provide for the installation and use of Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners (ULEWBs).

The amendments make the installation of ULEWBs a restricted discretionary activity in new and existing dwellings currently without a wood burner and a permitted activity when installed as a replacement for an existing burner.

The amendments have now been publicly notified in The Press and apply immediately.

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Date it takes effect: Wednesday 15 May, 2013

Related information:

- [ECan information: Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners](#)
- [Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan \(NRRP\)](#)
- Note: Another amendment to the NRPP - Clean Air Zone 1 extensions

The Notice

Pursuant to section 27(1)(a) of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act 2011, the Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery gives the following notice:

The Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan (2011) is amended from the publication of this notice by:

- a) inserting new Policy AQL11A, to set emission standards for Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners;
- b) inserting new Policy AQL13A to provide for the installation of Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners;
- c) inserting new Rule AQL9B, AQL81B and AQL92A to provide for emissions to air from Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners as a restricted discretionary activity in Christchurch Clean Air Zone 1, Rangiora Clean Air Zone 1 and Kaiapoi Clean Air Zone 1 respectively; and
- d) making consequential amendments to Policies AQL13, AQ23, AQL24, AQL25, AQL26, AQL31, AQL32, AQL33, AQL34, and adding the explanations and principle reasons for Rules AQL9B, AQL81B and AQL92A to section 3.5.

Given the detailed material contained within these amendments, the full text is not provided in this public notice.

The effect of this notice is to provide for the installation and use of Ultra Low Emission Wood Burners (ULEWBs) within Christchurch Clean Air Zone 1, Kaiapoi Clean Air Zone 1

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and Rangiora Clean Air Zone 1. The amendment will allow for ULEWBs to be installed, as a restricted discretionary activity, in new and existing dwellings without a wood burner. ULEWBs may also be installed to replace existing, less efficient, wood burners.

The changes to the text can be viewed on Environment Canterbury's website (www.ecan.govt.nz).

Hon Gerry Brownlee,

Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery