

Can I object to a DC?

Section 199A of the Local Government Act 2002 allows for reconsideration of DCs on the grounds that you believe the DC has been incorrectly calculated or assessed. A request for reconsideration must be made within ten working days of receiving notice of the requirement to pay a DC from Council.

Section 199C of the Local Government Act 2002 allows you the right to object to the assessed DC on the grounds that Council has incorrectly applied its DC Policy to your development.



DC Fees

The table below sets out the amount of DCs payable for each area, effective from 1 July 2024.

Where Can I get More Information?

For more information on DCs see Council's DC Policy available at www.ruapehudc.govt.nz and the Local Government Act 2002.

2024/2025 Development Contribution Fees (GST Incl)	Land Transport \$	Water Supply \$	Wastewater \$	Stormwater and Flood Protection \$	Total Development Contribution 2024/25
All areas of the District (other than those stated below)	\$3,996.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$3,996.00
Taumarunui (Urban)	\$3,996.00	0.00	\$1,665.00	0.00	\$5,661.00
Ohakune (Urban)	\$3,996.00	0.00	\$327.00	0.00	\$4,323.00
Raetihi (Urban)	\$3,996.00	0.00	\$1,475.00	0.00	\$5,471.00

A Guide to

Development Contributions 2024/25



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What Are Development Contributions (DCs)?

Growth increases the demand on public infrastructure and services. DCs are the fees charged by Council for extra community and network infrastructure needed as a result of development.

What do DCs Pay For?

DCs pay for the growth component of roads, water, wastewater and stormwater services.

Who Pays DCs?

You could be expected to pay DCs if you intend to:

- Construct a new commercial building or a dwelling.
- Extend or change existing commercial buildings.
- Make a new connection to services.
- Subdivide land.

When are DCs assessed?

You will be advised of any DCs required:

- With your Building Consent in the case of a building or service connection — Development Contribution Notice (Form 3).
- In the Resource Consent decision in the case of a subdivision.

When is a DC Paid?

DCs can be paid any time from the date of the assessment but is not ultimately payable until prior to issue of:

- A Code Compliance Certificate for a building; or
- A Section 224 Certificate for subdivisions.

Council will withhold the issue of a Section 224 Certificate in the case of a subdivision or a Code Compliance Certificate in the case of a Building Consent, until the DC fees are paid.

Does Everybody Pay the Same Amount?

No. The amount of the DC assessed can vary according to the location of your development (eg, whether rural or urban, whether or not water and wastewater services are available) and whether or not financial contributions have been paid previously.

Can my DC Amount Change During the Process?

A DC will generally be consistent with the DC Policy that was in force at the time that the application for a Resource Consent, Building Consent or service connection was submitted. The amount advised in your Resource Consent or Building Consent will be the amount that will

ultimately be payable prior to issue of the Code Compliance Certificate or Section 224 Certificate.

Because of the changes to the law about DCs in 2015, which have resulted in this revised policy, Council has decided that applications for resource consent, building consent or service connection received prior to 1 July 2015, that have not been paid as at 1 July 2015, will be charged DC fees at the lower of:

- The amount assessed under the policy that was in existence when the resource consent or building consent was applied for; or
- The amount payable under the current policy.

