

50MAX UPDATES



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Hamilton City joins 50MAX fold

Hamilton City Council is the latest local authority to delegate 50MAX permitting to the New Zealand Transport Agency. This is excellent news for the ever-increasing number of operators of 50MAX vehicle combinations (as of the end of July, the total number of 50MAX permits had jumped to 1285).

Also, there have been four further bridge restrictions removed on State Highways. Three are on SH3 and open up 50MAX from Auckland to New Plymouth and onwards. The fourth is Motu Bridge on SHW2 and opens up Whakatane to Gisborne.

Please check our new interactive map on our 50MAX website when planning your route – this is regularly updated with the latest bridge information. A reminder also that even in local council areas that have not signed up, State Highways are usually available to 50MAX traffic.

Local Authorities that have delegated 50MAX permitting to the Transport Agency:

- Kawerau
- Rotorua
- Tauranga
- Western BoP

- Otorohanga
- Gisborne
- Hauraki
- Matamatapiako
- South Waikato
- Waitomo
- Auckland
- Hastings
- Manawatu
- Marlborough
- Palmerston North
- Rangitikei
- Ruapehu
- Tasman
- Taupo
- Upper Hutt
- Waipa
- Whakatane
- Ashburton
- Hutt City
- Opotiki
- Thames
Coromandel
- Timaru
- Waikato
- Wellington City
- Central Otago
- South Wairarapa
- Waitaki

- Carterton
- Masterton
- Christchurch City
- Nelson City
- Porirua
- Dunedin City
- Kaikoura
- Kapiti Coast
- New Plymouth
- Selwyn
- Stratford
- Waimakariri
- Gore
- Hamilton City

As always, we wish to remind operators to talk to their drivers about the special conditions that apply to any 50MAX permit. 50MAX permits include a list of restricted areas, and operators and their drivers will need to study the book of maps they receive with their permit. The book of maps shows where 50MAX trucks can travel, and points out any no-go areas, such as specific bridges that are not fit for 50MAX traffic.

Any drivers who are unsure about where they can go can view the book of maps on the Transport Agency's website at www.nzta.govt.nz/50MAX, or get information by emailing info50MAX@nzta.govt.nz or calling 0800 699 000.

Best wishes from the 50MAX Team at the NZ Transport Agency.

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