

## VACANT MOORING > 6 MONTHS

If you wish to leave your mooring vacant for more than 180 days in any 365 day period you require prior authorisation from the Harbourmaster.

Mooring systems that are left for a long period of time without vessels tied to them may become heavy with marine growth and be less prominent on the water. This in turn becomes an issue for navigating vessels to and from their moorings, or shore, when becoming entangled in the buoys/buoy lines that cannot be easily seen. That is why ensuring the buoy and top section of the mooring system is regularly checked and maintained for marine growth when the mooring is not occupied by a vessel is important.

Please complete [HAR003](#) along with information on why the mooring is going to be left vacant, who and how regularly the mooring system and buoy will be checked and maintained for marine growth.

Please email this information to [mailroom@ecan.govt.nz](mailto:mailroom@ecan.govt.nz) quoting your mooring number as a reference.