

NEW OR EXISTING MOORING POSITION OUTSIDE OF A DESIGNATED MOORING AREA

You will need to apply for resource consent for:

- Any new mooring outside a designated mooring area.
- If you have purchased existing mooring outside a designated mooring area and you wish to moor a vessel larger than what is currently authorised for the current/previous owner.
- If you wish to increase the size of the vessel on your existing mooring outside a designated mooring area and it will exceed the size specified on your Swing Mooring Authorisation.

The current designated mooring areas are as follows:

Cass/Corsair, Purau, Akaroa Township, Takamatua, French Farm and Tikao Bays.

Applying for Resource Consent - forms and maps

Check how to apply for resource consent by going to the Environment Canterbury website <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/process/>

Use this application form <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?uri=2986170> and check out the application fees on the website.

Check Canterbury Maps to look at the location of where other the moorings are.

Canterbury Maps can be found at this link https://mapviewer.canterburymaps.govt.nz/?config=configs/MapConfig/config_Harbours.json and details on how to use Canterbury Maps can be found at this link <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?ids=3086077>

Applying for Resource Consent – details to note

The position of a mooring is determined by the Harbourmaster's Office after your application has been submitted and is being assessed. If you have preferred position, be sure to specify this in your application and submit a map from Canterbury Maps with your application.

The Consents Planner will assess your application based on the location/position of the mooring and its effects on the environment/people etc.

Please note if you intend to have a mooring within the swing room of another authorised mooring; within an access lane; an open speed area; adjacent to a slipway (public or private); adjacent to boatshed; in a high traffic area or considered a risk to navigation safety, the Harbourmaster will decline the application.

Once you have your application ready to submit call Environment Canterbury Customer Services on 0800 324 636 to arrange a free pre-application meeting with a consents planner who will look over your application to check it is complete and offer advice.

Applying for a Swing Mooring Authorisation from the Harbourmaster

Should the application for resource consent be granted, then you will be required to apply and pay an application fee for a Swing Mooring Authorisation issued by the Harbourmaster's Office.

The application form to complete can be found at this link www.ecan.govt.nz/HAR001 and the fee is currently \$287.50 (including GST). Details on how to pay the fee can be found on at this link <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/info/contact>

Harbourmaster's Office – role and responsibilities

The Harbourmaster's Office considers the position, construction, installation and maintenance of the mooring system based on the Navigation Safety Bylaw. The Bylaw can be viewed at this link <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?ids=2473039>

Installation will be required within 6 months of the Harbourmaster's authorisation being granted.

Swing Mooring Specifications

- The Environment Canterbury mooring system specifications can be downloaded from this link <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?uri=3203763>

Mooring system specifications are based on vessel sizes:

- A vessel up to 6 metres length overall and <3 tonnes displacement
- A vessel up to 10m length overall and <12 tonnes displacement
- A vessel up to 12m length overall and <20 tonnes displacement

Any vessel over 12 metres length overall requires a report/design from a suitably qualified marine engineer/naval architect.

A widely known suitably qualified marine engineering company is OCEL Consultants (Gary Teear) who can contacted on (03) 304 0444 or gary.teear@ocel.co.nz

You will need to supply a marine engineer/naval architect report/design with your application, so we know how much swing room you require for your vessel. The Harbourmaster needs to authorise this design. Please note that you will be expected to ensure the mooring is either built to the design, or if it is an existing mooring, you may need to replace components to meet the requirements of the design.

Construction of a swing mooring

If you intend to construct and install the mooring yourself you will require the authorisation from the Harbourmaster. To do this please complete form www.ecan.govt.nz/HAR003 and fill in the section of the application which refers to authorisation of an individual mooring inspector. Details on your experience and qualifications relating to construction of swing moorings or similar will be required.

- If you intend to use a contractor please check the list of mooring contractors which can be found on the Swing Mooring website at this link <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/harbourmasters-office/swing-moorings>
- **Conditions of your Resource Consent and Swing Mooring Authorisation**

Should your Resource Consent be granted, you will receive two documents relating to the legality of your swing mooring.

1. Resource Consent conditions will have the location point or area showing where your mooring is to be positioned. It will also show the duration of the resource consent, please note the expiry date as you will need to reapply when nearing the expiry date.
2. Swing Mooring Authorisation will show the specific location of the mooring (after discussion), the requirements of the Navigation Safety Bylaw and when the mooring is required to be installed by (cancellation date). If you hold a Swing Mooring Authorisation for a vessel over 12m length overall, then the specifications will be displayed on the Swing Mooring Authorisation. Note that the Swing Mooring Authorisation is renewed each year on payment of the annual swing mooring fee.