

13.1 Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone

13.1.1 Introduction

- a. This introduction is to assist the lay reader to understand how this chapter works and what it applies to. It is not an aid to interpretation in a legal sense.
- b. The Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone is designated for ‘defence purposes’ and activities subject to the designation will occur as provided for in [Chapter 10 Designations – K2 Defence RNZAF Base Wigram](#).
- c. This chapter relates to activities that may occur in the Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone. An objective, policies, rules, standards and matters of discretion provide for activities in this zone.
- d. The Defence Wigram Zone applies to the defence base operated by the [RNZAF](#) at Wigram. The zone seeks to provide a functional area for defence purposes, recognising its historical significance to the [Christchurch District](#) and New Zealand. The zone also provides for [cultural activities](#) and a range of [ancillary education activities](#) and [recreation activities](#).
- e. The provisions in this chapter give effect to the [Chapter 3 Strategic Directions Objectives](#).

13.1.2 Objectives and policies

13.1.2.1 Objective – Safe and functional facilities

- a. That Defence Wigram is safe and functional for defence purposes, recognising the historical significance of the site to Christchurch and New Zealand, and provides for [cultural activities](#) and a range of [ancillary education activities](#) and [recreation activities](#).

13.1.2.1.1 Policy – Use and development of Defence Wigram

- a. Provide for the use and development of the land and [buildings](#) at the Defence Wigram in a manner that:
 - i. recognises the historical significance of the site as the birthplace of land based commercial and military flying in New Zealand;
 - ii. recognises the special value and occupation by the RNZAF and its continued use for defence and search and rescue purposes, including aviation;
 - iii. recognises the special value of the Air Force Museum and its function of providing a range of [cultural activities](#), [education activities](#) and [recreation activities](#); and
 - iv. recognises the importance of [ancillary](#) activities conducted on the site to the ongoing operation of the Air Force Museum.

13.1.2.1.2 Policy – Protection of character and amenity

- a. Protect the character and amenity of Defence Wigram and [adjoining](#) areas.
- b. Maintain the [heritage items](#) and places within the site.

13.1.2.1.3 Policy – Air safety

- a. Provide for the safe operation of aircraft using Defence Wigram.

13.1.3 How to interpret and apply the rules

- a. The rules that apply to activities in the Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone are contained in the activity status tables (including activity specific standards) in Rule [13.1.4.1](#) and the built form standards in Rule [13.1.4.2](#).
- b. The activity status tables and standards in the following chapters also apply to activities in the Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone:
 - [4](#) Hazardous Substances and Contaminated Land;
 - [5](#) Natural Hazards;
 - [6](#) General Rules and Procedures;
 - [7](#) Transport;
 - [8](#) Subdivision, Development and Earthworks;
 - [9](#) Natural and Cultural Heritage; and
 - [11](#) Utilities and Energy.

Advice note:

1. The Defence Wigram Protection Surfaces are specified in Rule [6.7.5.2](#) and a diagram of these is found at Appendix [6.11.7.6](#) Diagram of Defence Wigram Protection Surfaces.

13.1.4 Rules – Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone

13.1.4.1 Activity status tables

13.1.4.1.1 Permitted activities

- a. The activities listed below are permitted activities in the Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone if they meet the activity specific standards set out in this table and the built form standards in Rule [13.1.4.2](#).

- b. Activities may also be controlled, restricted discretionary, discretionary, non-complying or prohibited as specified in Rules 13.1.4.1.2, 13.1.4.1.3, 13.1.4.1.4, 13.1.4.1.5 and 13.1.4.1.6.

	Activity	Activity specific standards
P1	Operation of any aircraft other than for defence or emergency purposes	a. Shall not occur between the hours of 22:00 and 07:00.
P2	Temporary recreation activities , events or exhibitions	<p>a. Not more than 30 events per calendar year shall be held, and shall comply with noise standards in Rule 6.1.6.2.3 a 3 – For indoor events, music is to cease by midnight and the venue closed by 1am. For outdoor events, music is to cease by 10:30pm and the venue closed by midnight.</p> <p>b. Outdoor events (excluding setup and take down) shall not occur over more than 3 consecutive days.</p> <p>Advice note:</p> <p>1. Rule 6.2.4 does not apply to temporary recreation activities, events or exhibitions in the Specific Purpose (Defence Wigram) Zone.</p> <p>2. The activities provided for above are in addition to the consented activities at the function or event venues.</p>
P3	Retail activity	a. Retail activities shall be restricted to those associated with, and ancillary to cultural activities , education activities and recreation activities related to the Air Force Museum, including open days and air shows, as well as temporary recreation activities , events or exhibitions.
P4	Buildings and structures for recreation activities or retail activities	a. Nil.

13.1.4.1.2 Controlled activities

There are no controlled activities

13.1.4.1.3 Restricted discretionary activities

- a. The activities listed below are restricted discretionary activities.
- b. Discretion to grant or decline consent and impose conditions is restricted to the matters of discretion set out in Rules 13.1.5, as set out in the following table.

Activity	The Council's discretion shall be limited to the following matters:
RD1 Any activity listed in Rule 13.1.4.1 P2, P3 or P5 that does not meet one or more of the activity specific standards.	a. Relevant matters of discretion – Rule 13.1.5.

13.1.4.1.4 Discretionary activities

- a. The activities listed below are discretionary activities.

	Activity
D1	Any activity not provided for as a permitted, controlled, restricted discretionary, non-complying or prohibited activity.

13.1.4.1.5 Non-complying activities

- a. The activities listed below are non-complying activities.

	Activity
NC1	Other than in cases of emergency or in accordance with the designation, the operation of all types of aircraft where the take-off or landing is outside the hours of 07:00 and 22:00 on any day.

13.1.4.1.6 Prohibited activities

There are no prohibited activities

13.1.4.2 Built form standards

13.1.4.2.1 Parking provision

- a. Off-street parking shall be provided for any temporary activity in this zone, to be assessed at the rate of 1 car space per 3 visitors anticipated to be in attendance during any such events. Such parking is not required to be sealed and formed.

13.1.4.2.2 Street scene

- a. [Buildings](#) shall be set back a minimum distance of 10 metres from any [road boundary](#).

13.1.4.2.3 Sunlight and outlook for neighbours

- a. Where [buildings](#) adjoin a residential zone, they shall not project beyond a [building](#) envelope constructed by recession planes from points 2.3 metres above the [site boundary](#) measured in accordance with the relevant diagram marked in Chapter 14 Appendix [14.16.2](#).

13.1.4.2.4 Height

- a. No [building](#) shall exceed 20 metres in [height](#) or protrude into the “Defence Wigram Protection Surfaces” set out in Chapter 6 Appendix [6.11.7.6](#).

13.1.4.2.5 Separation from neighbours

- a. [Buildings](#) shall be set back a minimum of 6 metres from any [boundary](#) other than a [road boundary](#).

13.1.5 Rules - Matters of discretion

13.1.5.1 Parking provision

- a. The extent to which the proposed parking is related to a temporary activity or an on-going activity.
- b. Whether informal car parking is safe, [accessible](#) and within easy walking distance.

13.1.5.2 Height, street scene, separation from neighbours, and sunlight and outlook for neighbours

- a. The extent of overshadowing and impact on the [outdoor living spaces](#) and main [living areas](#) of residential [buildings](#), and/or activities undertaken within the space affected.
- b. The visual impact on [adjoining](#) activities, taking into account the outlook from adjacent [sites](#), [roads](#), and [public open space](#) in the surrounding area.
- c. The effect on privacy of an [adjoining site](#).
- d. The extent and quality of any [landscaping](#).
- e. The scale, length and size of walls, and appearance of [buildings](#) and the effect on [amenity values](#).
- f. The mitigating effect of any [landscaping](#) and trees proposed on the [boundary](#) of the [site](#).
- g. The function or use to which the [building](#) is to be put and whether this dictates particular locational requirements.
- h. The extent to which there would be increased noise intrusion as a result of a reduced [setback](#).
- i. The ability to provide adequate vehicle manoeuvring, [loading](#) or [parking areas](#).

13.1.5.3 General

- a. The extent to which the proposed land use would be likely to have any effects which would conflict with the primary purpose of the designation and the [education activities](#), [cultural activities](#), [recreation activities](#) and [retail activities](#) within the zone, or the use of any [adjoining](#) areas.
- b. Whether the proposed land use is temporary and the period of such intended use.
- c. The matters of discretion in relation to noise shall be those set out in Rule [6.1.8](#).