

EXEMPT BUILDINGS AND BUILDING WORK

A building consent shall not be required in respect of the following building work:

- (a) Routine maintenance, routine repairs, and refurbishment, but excluding the alteration or replacement of anything necessary for compliance with the provisions of the building code:
- (b) Any power pole, telephone pole, pylon, motorway sign, or similar simple structure owned or controlled by any network utility operator or other organization:
- (c) Any dam that retains not more than 3 m depth, and not more than 20,000 m³ volume, of water, and any stop bank or culvert:
- (d) Any mast, pole, or telecommunication aerial on and forming part of a building, excluding dish aerials, that does not exceed 7 metres in height above the point of its attachment or base support:
- (e) Any retaining wall that retains not more than 1.5 metres depth of ground and that does not support any surcharge or any load additional to the load of that ground, such as the load of vehicles on a road:
- (f) Any wall (other than a retaining wall), fence (other than a fence as defined in section 2 of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987), or hoarding of a height not exceeding 2 metres above the supporting ground:
- (g) Any tank or pool and any structural support thereof (excluding a swimming pool as defined in section 2 of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987), including any tank or pool that is part of any other building for which a building consent is required,---
 - (i) Not exceeding 25,000 litres capacity and supported directly by the ground; or
 - (ii) Not exceeding 2,000 litres capacity and supported not more than 2 metres above the supporting ground; or
 - (iii) Not exceeding 500 litres capacity and supported not more than 4 metres above the supporting ground:
- (h) Any tent or marquee not exceeding 30 square metres in floor area and remaining in use for not more than 1 month:

- (i) Any platform, bridge, or the like from which it is not possible for a person to fall more than 1 metre even if it collapses:
- (j) Any offshore installation to be used for petroleum mining as defined in section 2 (1) of the Petroleum Act 1937:
- (k) Any temporary storage stack of goods or materials:
- (l) Any detached building (other than a building which is required to be licensed in terms of the Dangerous Goods Act 1974 or a building closer than its own height to any residential accommodation or to any legal boundary) which---
 - (i) Houses fixed plant or machinery, the only normal visits to which are intermittent visits for routine inspection and maintenance of that plant or machinery; or
 - (ii) Into, or into the immediate vicinity of which, people cannot or do not normally go; or
 - (iii) Is used only by people engaged in the construction or maintenance of another building in respect of which a building consent is required; or
 - (iv) Does not exceed either 1 storey, or 10 square metres in floor area, and does not contain sleeping accommodation or sanitary facilities or facilities for the storage of potable water:
- (m) Any other building work or building for which the territorial authority considers that a building consent is not necessary for the purposes of this Act because that building work all building either 1991 Act: ---
 - (i) is unlikely to be constructed otherwise than in accordance with the building code; or
 - (ii) if constructed otherwise than in accordance with the building code, is unlikely to endanger people or adjoining property.