

# **Biosecurity Exemption Application Form**

Section 78 of the Biosecurity Act 1993 (Act) & Rule 8.3 of the Otago Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-2029 (RPMP)

Before completing this form, please read ORC's Biosecurity Exemption information sheet.

#### **Applicant Details**

Name	
Postal Address	
Email	
Phone	
Alternative Contact	

#### **Property Details**

Road/Street Address	
Suburb/Locality	
Town/City	
Legal Description or	
Valuation No	
Property Size (ha)	
Size of area to be	
exempted (ha)	

Attach a map of the property to this application, with boundaries clearly marked. If the exemption is for part of the property, clearly indicate this area on the map.

## Relationships

Please tick the applicable

Applicant is the	Occupier & Owner of the property	
	Occupier only	
	Owner only	

*Please indicate people and organisations who may be affected by the exemption (Owner (if Occupier only), neighbours, iwi, DOC, district/city councils and/or the wider community)* 

Name	Relationship	How they may be affected by exemption

Add additional rows as needed

## **RPMP Rule Reference**

Please list the pest and requirement in the RPMP rule you seek exemption from

Pest	
Requirement from which	
exemption is sought	
RPMP Rule Reference	

### **Period of Exemption Sought**

Start date	
End date	

## **Exemption Criteria**

The ORC may grant an exemption if:

(2a) The ORC is satisfied that granting the exemption will not significantly prejudice the attainment of the RPMP objectives; **AND** 

(2b) The ORC is satisfied that one or more of the following applies:

- i. the requirement has been substantially complied with and further compliance is unnecessary;
- ii. the action taken on, or provision made for, the matter to which the requirement relates is as effective as, or more effective than, compliance with the requirement
- iii. the requirement is clearly unreasonable or inappropriate in the particular case; and
- iv. events have occurred that make the requirement unnecessary or inappropriate in the particular case.

## **Applicant's Grounds for Exemption**

1. Please tick which subs-subsection of section 78(2) of the Act) you rely upon for your Exemption Application:

tick	s78(2)(a)	Granting the exemption will not significantly prejudice the attainment of the RPMP objectives: AND
	S78(2)(b)(i)	the requirement has been substantially complied with and further compliance is unnecessary
	S78(2)( (b)(ii)	the action taken on, or provision made for, the matter to which the requirement relates is as effective as, or more effective than, compliance with the requirement
	S78(2)( (b)(iii)	the requirement is clearly unreasonable or inappropriate in the particular case:
	S78(2)( (b)(iv)	events have occurred that make the requirement unnecessary or inappropriate in the particular case

2. Please **explain in detail** how the above applies in your case and the reasons for the exemption sought. Please include detail about the property, current infestation, previous control activity and outcomes, circumstances/event that make it unreasonable/inappropriate to require compliance with the rule, and/or any other information relevant to your grounds for exemption. Use as much space as needed.

3. Have you undertaken any community engagement (e.g., neighbours, iwi) about the proposed exemption, and if so what was the outcome of that?

4. What measures have been taken, or will be taken, to mitigate adverse environmental impacts the exemption may have in the area?

5. What **evidence** do you have to support your position and application? Please list and attach. (E.g., Evidence of community consultation and/or letters of support from affected parties; documentation from contractors about control work undertaken or planned; documentation about the event/circumstance that makes the requirement unreasonable in this case; photos, videos etc.)

6. Please explain why granting your application for an exemption in this case will not significantly prejudice the attainment of the RPMP objectives.

7. Please provide any other information you think will support your application for exemption.

# **Exemption Application Outcome**

Following careful consideration of this application and supporting evidence, along with consideration of information provided by the ORC Team Leader Environmental Implementation and Delivery Lead Biosecurity, this application for exemption is:

\_\_\_\_\_\_APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_\_DECLINED Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Manager, Environmental Implementation If Approved: • The Period of Exemption is: \_\_\_\_\_\_ • Terms and/or conditions of the exemption, if any, are:

#### *If Declined:*

• The grounds for declining are: