

I324 Ōkahu Bay Precinct

I324.1. Precinct Description

Ōkahu Bay has significant cultural value to Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei. The bay was the tribal base for Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei for many generations and provided an important source of kaimoana. The adjoining land was the location of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei papakāinga into the 1950s.

Ōkahu Bay also is of significant recreational value to the wider Auckland community. The sheltered bay provides for a range of recreational activities including swimming, kayaking, sailing, and waka ama.

Moorings at Ōkahu Bay, including leaching from boat hulls, have had adverse effects on:

- Mana Whenua values in this significant cultural landscape, including visual effects and effects on the mauri of the water;
- water quality;
- ecological values; and
- public access and recreational use of the Coastal Marine Area (e.g. for paddling and kayaking).

Sufficient area is available in the Coastal - Mooring Zone to the west of Ōkahu Bay to accommodate additional moorings. Therefore, this precinct seeks to prevent the continued presence of moorings in Ōkahu Bay to avoid ongoing adverse effects on the environment and values of the bay, and to meet the objectives and policies of the Coastal Mooring Zone which seeks to consolidate moorings in appropriate locations. A 12 month 'grace period' is provided to enable the removal and/or relocation of moorings from Ōkahu Bay.

The zoning of this precinct is the Coastal - General Coastal Marine Zone.

I324.2. Objectives [rcp]

- (1) The mauri of coastal water and seabed is maintained and, where possible, restored and enhanced to enable traditional and cultural use of Ōkahu Bay and its resources by Mana Whenua.
- (2) Water and sediment quality is enhanced.
- (3) The life-supporting capacity and natural resources, including kaimoana, of Ōkahu Bay are protected and, where appropriate, enhanced.
- (4) Access to and within the bay for public recreation is protected and, where appropriate, enhanced.

The overlay, Auckland-wide and zone objectives apply in this precinct in addition to those specified above.

I324.3. Policy [rcp]

- (1) Avoid vessels being moored at Ōkahu Bay.

The overlay, Auckland-wide and zone policies apply in this precinct in addition to those specified above.

I324.4. Activity table

The provisions in any relevant overlays, zone and the Auckland-wide apply in this precinct unless otherwise specified below.

Table I324.4.1 Activity table specifies the activity status of Coastal Marine Area Structures and their use in the Ōkahu Bay Precinct pursuant to section 12 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Table I324.4.1 Activity table [rcp]

Activity		Activity status
Use		
(A1)	Existing moorings, including the occupation and use of water space by the vessel to be moored within 12 months from the date this rule becomes operative	P
(A2)	New and existing moorings, including the occupation and use of water space by the vessel to be moored after 12 months from the date this rule becomes operative	Pr

I324.5. Notification

There is no notification rule for the Ōkahu Bay Precinct.

I324.6. Standards

The zone, Auckland-wide and overlay standards apply in this precinct.

I324.7. Assessment – controlled activities

There are no controlled activities in this precinct.

I324.8. Assessment – restricted discretionary activities

There are no restricted discretionary activities in this precinct.

I324.9. Special information requirements

There are no special information requirements in this precinct.

I324.10. Precinct plans

There are no precinct plans for this precinct.