## **LIGHT - Light**

Key defined terms for this chapter		
Term	Definition	
Adjoining	land shall be deemed to be adjoining other land, notwithstanding that it is separated from the other land only by a road, railway, drain, water race, river or stream.	
Amenity or Amenity Values	has the same meaning as defined in Section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, which at the notification date of this Plan, means:	
	"those natural or physical qualities and characteristics of an area that contribute to people's appreciation of its pleasantness, aesthetic coherence, and cultural and recreational attributes."	
Boundary	means any boundary of the net area of a site and includes any road boundary or internal boundary. Site boundary shall have the same meaning as boundary.	
Building (NPS)	Means a temporary or permanent movable or immovable physical construction that is:	
	a. partially of fully roofed; and	
	b. fixed or located on or in land; but excludes any motorised vehicle or other mode of transport that could be moved under its own power.	
Internal Boundary	of a site means any boundary of the net area of a site other than a road boundary.	
Notional Boundary	means a line 20 metres from any side of a dwelling or the legal boundary where this is closer to the dwelling.	

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Residential Unit (NPS)	Means a building(s) or part of a building that is used for a residential activity exclusively by one household, and must include sleeping, cooking, bathing and toilet facilities.	
Site (NPS)	Means:  a. an area of land comprised in a single record of title under the Land transfer Act 2017; or	
	b. an area of land which comprises two or more adjoining legally defined allotments in such a way that the allotments cannot be dealt with separately without the prior consent of the council; or	
	<ul> <li>the land comprised in a single allotment or balance area on an approved survey plan of subdivision for which a separate record of title under the Land transfer Act 2017 could be issued without further consent of the Council; or</li> </ul>	
	despite paragraphs (a) to (c), in the case of land subdivide under the Unit Titles Act 1972 or the Unit Titles Act 2010 or a cross lease system, is the whole of the land subject to the unit development or cross lease	

#### Cross-references

In addition to the zone chapters, several district-wide and overlay chapters also contain provisions that may be relevant to light, including:

GRZ - General Residential Zone

GRUZ - General Rural Zone

SETZ - Settlement Zone

COMZ - Commercial Zone

MFZ - Marine Facilities Zone

DEV1 - Kaikōura Peninsula Tourism Development Area

DEV2 - Ocean Ridge Development Area

## Issues

LIGHT-I1	Effects of artificial light across the district
Refer: GRZ-I1, GRUZ-I1, SETZ-I1, COMZ-I1, MFZ-I1, DEV1-I1, DEV2-I1.	

## **Objectives**

L	IGHT-O1	Managing light effects across the district
Refer: GRZ-O1, GRUZ-O1, SETZ-O1, COMZ-O1, MFZ-O1, DEV1-O1, DEV2-O1.		

## **Policies**

LIGHT-P1	Manage light effects on residential <i>amenity</i>		
To ensure noise and lighting spill do not adversely affect the <i>amenity</i> enjoyed on residential <i>sites</i> .			
LIGHT-P2	Manage light effects on sensitive fauna		
To ensure the level of noise and lighting is compatible with a comprehensive living environment and avoids adverse effect of celestial darkness and the behaviours of seabirds in particular Hutton's Shearwaters.			
NOISE-P3	Cross-references to light policies in other chapters		
Refer: GRUZ-P1, SETZ-P1, COMZ-P4, MFZ-P2, DEV1-P1.			

### **Standards**

LIGHT-S1	Light standards in the General Residential, Settlement, and Marine Facilities Zones	
Exterior lights shall be directed away from adjacent properties and roads		Matters of discretion:
		The effects of not meeting the standard.

2. Exterior lights shall not result in lux spill which exceeds 3 lux maximum, horizontal and vertical, onto *adjoining* properties measured at any point more than 2m inside the *boundary* of the *adjoining* property.

Refer to Appendix 6: Assessment Matters for guidance on what matters may be relevant to consider for the proposed activity.

#### LIGHT-S2

#### Light standards in the General Rural Zone

- 1. Exterior lights shall be directed away from adjacent *residential units* and roads
- 2. Exterior lights shall not result in lux spill which exceeds 3 lux maximum (horizontal and vertical) onto adjoining residential units, measured at any point more than 2m inside the notional boundary of the adjoining Residential unit.

Matters of discretion:

The effects of not meeting the standard.

Refer to Appendix 6: Assessment Matters for guidance on what matters may be relevant to consider for the proposed activity.

#### LIGHT-S3

#### **Light standards in the Commercial Zone**

- Exterior lights shall be shielded or directed away from adjacent sites and roads.
- 2. Exterior lights shall not result in lux spill which exceeds:
  - a. 3 lux maximum (horizontal and vertical) onto adjoining residential sites or
  - b. 10 lux maximum (horizontal and vertical) onto *adjoining* non-residential *sites*.
- Light spill shall be measured at any point more than 2m inside the *boundary* of the adjoining site.

Matters of discretion:

The effects of not meeting the standard.

Refer to Appendix 6: Assessment Matters for guidance on what matters may be relevant to consider for the proposed activity.

#### LIGHT-S4

# Light standards in the Kaikōura Peninsula Tourism Development Area

 All exterior lighting shall be directed away from adjacent sites and roads and shall not result in lux spill which exceeds 3 lux maximum (horizontal and vertical) onto

Matters of discretion:

The effects of not meeting the standard.

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sites outside the zone, measured at any point more than 2m at or within the boundary of any site zoned residential, or within the notional boundary of any site zoned rural;

- 2. all exterior lighting shall be shielded from above in such a manner that the edge of the shield shall be below the whole of the light source;
- no exterior illumination of any building for aesthetic purposes shall occur between 2300 and sunrise the following day, except that the rear of the hotel may be lit between these hours if such lighting is screened from adjoining sites;
- 4. the height of any external light pole, other than at the rear of the hotel if such lighting is screened from *adjoining sites*, shall not exceed 1.5m above modified ground level.

Refer to Appendix 6: Assessment Matters for guidance on what matters may be relevant to consider for the proposed activity.

#### LIGHT-S5

#### Light standards in the Ocean Ridge Development Area

- Exterior lights shall be directed away from adjacent sites and roads
- Exterior lights shall not result in lux spill which exceed 2 lux maximum (horizontal and vertical) onto adjoining sites measured at any point more than 2m inside the boundary of the adjoining sites.
- 3. Exterior lighting shall be shielded from above in such a manner that the edge of the shield shall be blow the whole of the light source/bulb.
- 4. No persons shall illuminate or display the following outdoor lighting from 1st August to 30th April:
  - Searchlight (unless required in an emergency)

Matters of discretion:

The effects of not meeting the standard.

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- b. Illumination of any public recreation facility
- c. Outside Illumination for aesthetic purpose of any *building* by floodlight

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