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Ngā Mahi Taupua

Temporary Activities

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Introduction

The purpose of this chapter is to recognise the strategic importance of temporary activities to Wellington City, acknowledging the role that they play in adding to the vibrancy, vitality and identity of the city. Temporary activities benefit the city through the contribution they make to the social, cultural and economic well-being of communities.

Temporary activities are short-term activities and events that occur on public and private land, which can include but are not limited to temporary activation of spaces, cultural, community, musical, recreational or sporting orientated events. These can include events such as concerts, parades, fairs, markets, pop-up spaces, ceremonies, art exhibitions and circuses. In addition to the types of events listed above, this chapter also provides for public firework displays, temporary military training, and filming.

Temporary activities are often held in areas such as the Waterfront, which have long established historical and cultural associations for the mana whenua of Whanganui ā Tara (Wellington), Taranaki Whānui and Ngāti Toa Rangatira. Temporary activities must recognise mana whenua as kaitiaki, alongside their relationship with the land. Active engagement with mana whenua will assist in ensuring the mouri/~~mauri~~ of these areas of importance to mana whenua are not diminished through any adverse effects created by temporary activities.

Temporary activities include structures needed to facilitate an activity. Temporary activities are predominantly held in public spaces and outdoor events venues across the city such as the Waterfront or on public streets. Temporary activities generate various benefits, attract and retain talent, and give a sense of community belonging and place. Major temporary activity events are a key economic contributor to Wellington's economy, attracting residents and visitors to the city and providing jobs. The city and community benefit more widely through associated expenditure into the city's retail, hospitality and visitor attraction industries.

Without adequate controls, temporary activities can potentially generate adverse effects on the sites the events are occupying, as well as on surrounding environments. Types of adverse effects generated from such activities can include adverse environmental, traffic, transport network, public health and safety, noise, visual and lighting effects. The limited duration of these events and the benefits they provide help to generally minimise adverse effects felt in the surrounding environment.

This chapter encourages and seeks to safeguard temporary activities within Wellington City, whilst balancing potential adverse effects that these events may produce. Where temporary activities do not meet permitted activity standards within this chapter, a resource consent will be required to ensure that any potential effects of these activities will be appropriately managed.

In addition to the District Plan, temporary activities on public land are also managed by the:

1. Wellington City Council Wellington Consolidated Bylaw 2008 (Part 5 Public Places);
2. Solid Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw 2020;
3. Trading and Events in Public Places Policy 2022; and

4. Wellington City Council's Events Policy 2012.

Short-term filming activities are not managed through the general rules and standards in this chapter (except for temporary structures rules and noise standards) and are managed through Screen Wellington's Film Permit Process. For the avoidance of doubt short-term filming activities are still subject to other provisions of the District Plan such as the Light chapter.

The general duty to avoid, remedy, or mitigate any adverse effects under Section 17 of the Resource Management Act (1991) applies to all temporary activities.

Other relevant District Plan provisions	
<p>It is important to note that in addition to the provisions in this chapter, the following Part 2: District-Wide chapters may also be of relevance, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earthworks - The Earthworks Chapter manages the adverse effects of earthworks on the environment, including visual amenity values and stability of land plus adverse health and safety effects, damage to property and the creation or increase in the risk of natural hazards. • Light - The Light Chapter contains specific provisions relating to light spill and the management of effects on residential areas. • Transport - The Transport Chapter contains provisions relating to transport matters, including traffic generation (TR-R2). • Signs - To ensure signs are compatible with an area, their scale, number, illumination, motion and placement are managed by the Signs Chapter. • Sites of Significance to Māori - Archaeological sites and sites and areas of significance to Māori are spread throughout Wellington City. Specific provisions for the protection of these sites (including rules for signs) are located in the Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori Chapter. • Tangata Whenua – The Tangata Whenua chapter enables and recognises the relationship of Tangata Whenua with their land, resources and traditions, articulates relevant matters that significant to Tangata Whenua, and protects and mitigates activities that may impact on Tangata Whenua land, resources and traditions. <p>Resource consent may therefore be required under rules in this chapter as well as other chapters. Unless specifically stated in a rule or in this chapter, resource consent is required under each relevant rule. The steps to determine the status of an activity are set out in the General Approach chapter.</p>	
Objectives	
TEMP-O1	<p>Purpose</p> <p>A diverse range of temporary activities occur throughout the City that enhance the vibrancy and vitality of Wellington City and contribute to the social, cultural and economic well-being of communities.</p>
TEMP-O2	<p>Managing adverse effects</p> <p>The adverse effects of temporary activities are managed effectively.</p>
Policies	
TEMP-P1	<p>Recognising and providing for temporary activities</p> <p>Recognise that temporary activities provide social, cultural and economic benefits to the city.</p>
TEMP-P2	<p>Minimise and mitigate adverse effects</p> <p>Provide for temporary activities where their scale, frequency, nature, and duration are compatible with the surrounding environment.</p>
TEMP-P3	<p>Managing Adverse Effects on Sensitive Environments</p> <p>Manage the effects of temporary activities so that the values of any scheduled Māori sites of significance, ecological, natural character, natural features, landscape and historical heritage</p>

	are maintained, and any adverse effects on the natural environment are avoided, remedied or mitigated.
TEMP-P4	<p>Mana whenua</p> <p>Manage temporary activities which are located near or on scheduled Māori sites of significance and statutory acknowledgement areas by actively engaging with mana whenua to preserve the mauri/mauri of these sites.</p>
TEMP-P5	<p>Temporary military training activities</p> <p>Enable temporary military training activities in appropriate locations, where they remedy or mitigate their adverse effects on the amenity values of the site and the surrounding area <u>are remedied or mitigated</u>.</p>
TEMP-P6	<p>Special entertainment events</p> <p>Enable special entertainment events at Wellington Regional Stadium and the Basin Reserve, whilst:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recognising that that adverse effects may not be able to be fully internalised; and 2. Having regard to the event scheduling, duration, frequency and intensity.
Rules: Land use activities	
TEMP-R1	Temporary activities, excluding short term filming and temporary military training activities
All Zones	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compliance with the following standards is achieved: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. TEMP-S1; and ii. TEMP-S3; and iii. TEMP-S4.
All Zones	<p>2. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R1.1 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved. <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P1, TEMP-P2, TEMP-P3, TEMP-P4, <u>and</u> TEMP-P5 and TEMP-P6; 2. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant Standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed Standards; and 3. The provision of an events management plan in Appendix 7. <p>Notification status: An application for resource consent made in respect of rule TEMP-R1 for all zones is precluded from being publicly notified.</p>
TEMP-R2	Council-organised public firework displays
Waterfront Zone City Centre Zone	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compliance with TEMP-S5 is achieved.

<p>All Zones</p>	<p>2. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R2.1 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved.</p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P1, TEMP-P2, TEMP-P3, and TEMP-P4; 2. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant Standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed Standards; 3. The provision of an events management plan in Appendix 7; and 4. The provision of information to the public regarding the proposed activity and its hours and duration. <p>Notification status: An application for resource consent made in respect of rule TEMP-R2 is precluded from being publicly notified.</p>
<p>TEMP-R3</p>	<p>Temporary military training activities</p>
<p><u>All Zones (Except for Open Space Zones and General Rural Zone)</u></p> <p>Port Zone</p> <p>General Industrial Zone</p>	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with TEMP-S6 is achieved; and</p> <p>b. No permanent structures are constructed; and</p> <p>b. Noise does not exceed the levels in APP6 - Noise Standards for Temporary Military Training Activities; <u>and</u></p> <p>c. <u>The activity is not Weapons Firing and/or Explosives use.</u></p>
<p>All Other Zones (Except for Open Space Zones and General Rural Zone)</p>	<p>2. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p><u>Where:</u></p> <p>a. <u>Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R3.1 is not achieved.</u></p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P2 and TEMP-P6<u>P5</u>; 2. <u>The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for infringed standards;</u> 3. 2-The proposed location, duration, hours, times and days of the week on which the activity will occur; and 4. 3-The provision of information to local residents regarding the proposed activity and its hours and duration. <p>Notification status: An application for resource consent made in respect of rule TEMP-R3.23 must be publicly notified.</p>
<p><u>Open Space Zones and General Rural Zone</u></p>	<p>3. <u>Activity status: Permitted</u></p> <p><u>Where:</u></p> <p>b. <u>Compliance with TEMP-S6 is achieved; and</u></p>

	<p>c. <u>Noise does not exceed the levels in APP6 - Noise Standards for Temporary Military Training Activities.</u></p>
<p>Open Space Zones</p> <p>General Rural Zone</p> <p>Special Purpose Port Zone</p> <p>- General Industrial Zone</p>	<p>4. Activity status: Restricted discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R3. 43 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved.</p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P2 and TEMP-P5<u>6</u>; 2. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant Standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed Standards; 3. The proposed location, duration, hours, times and days of the week on which the activity will occur; and 4. The provision of information to local residents regarding the proposed activity and its hours and duration. <p>Notification status: An application for resource consent made in respect of rule TEMP-R3. 42 is precluded from being publicly notified.</p>
TEMP-R4	Emission of noise from a temporary activity excluding temporary military training activities
All zones	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with TEMP-S4 is achieved.</p>
All zones	<p>2. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R4.1 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved.</p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P2; and 2. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed standards.
TEMP-R5	Special entertainment events at Wellington Regional Stadium and Basin Reserve
Basin Reserve	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with TEMP-S8 is achieved.</p>
Wellington Regional Stadium	<p>2. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with TEMP-S9 is achieved.</p>
Basin Reserve	<p>3. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p>

Wellington Regional Stadium	<p>a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R5.1 and TEMP-R5.2 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved.</p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P2 and TEMP-P7; 2. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed standards; 3. Whether noise emission levels would raise the background noise levels in noise sensitive areas and in particular Residential Areas resulting in a noise nuisance for residents; 4. Whether the sound characteristics of the noise emissions or the time of day at which noise occurs is likely to lead to sleep disturbance or other form of nuisance associated with noise; 5. The manner in which buildings, structures or machinery are designed and arranged to reduce the noise emission levels likely to emanate from either the Basin Reserve or Wellington Regional Stadium; and 6. Reasonable options available for measures to reduce the adverse effects of the noise.
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Rules: Building and structure activities

TEMP-R6 Temporary buildings or structures ancillary to a temporary activity

All Zones	<p>1. Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with TEMP-S7 is achieved.</p> <p>This rule does not apply to temporary military training activities.</p>
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All Zones	<p>2. Activity status: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>a. Compliance with the requirements of TEMP-R6.1 cannot be <u>is not</u> achieved.</p> <p>Matters of discretion are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters in TEMP-P1, TEMP-P2, TEMP-P3, TEMP-P4, TEMP-P5 and TEMP-P6; 2. The design, scale and configuration of the proposed temporary structures required for filming; and 3. The extent and effect of non-compliance with any relevant standard as specified in the associated assessment criteria for the infringed standards. <p>Notification status: An application for resource consent made in respect of rule TEMP-R6 is precluded from being publicly notified.</p>
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Standards

TEMP-S1 Maximum duration of a temporary activity excluding short-term filming activities and temporary military training activities

Waterfront Zone	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On any one site the maximum duration of a temporary activity shall be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 30 consecutive days; and b. Event set up and take down, including site clean-up and restoration, must be completed within two weeks either side of the event; 2. Temporary activities must return sites to their original condition after the temporary activity is finished. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The extent to which the nature, intensity and scale of the activity adversely effects: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Amenity values; and b. The safety and efficiency of the transport network, including on pedestrians and cyclists.
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<p>Medium Density Residential Zone</p> <p>High Density Residential Zone</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On any one site the maximum duration of a temporary activity shall be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 3 consecutive days; and b. Event set up and take down, including site clean-up and restoration, must be completed within two days either side of the event; 2. Temporary activities must return sites to their original condition after the temporary activity is finished. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adverse effects on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Amenity values of the surrounding properties; b. Pedestrian health and safety; and c. The safety and efficiency of the transport network; 2. The proposed location, scale, intensity of the activity; 3. The proposed duration, hours, times and day/s of the week on which the event will occur; 4. The measures proposed to mitigate noise and light spill; 5. The measures to address any effects from traffic generated by the activity, including effects on public transport and other activities at the location; 6. The measures to address pedestrian safety and to address any restrictions on public access; and 7. The provision of information to local residents and businesses regarding the proposed activity and its duration.
<p>All Other Zones</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On any one site the maximum duration for a temporary activity shall be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 10 consecutive days; and b. Event set up and take down, including site clean-up and restoration, must be completed within two days either side of the event; 2. Temporary activities must return sites to their original condition after the temporary activity is finished. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adverse effects on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Amenity values of the surrounding properties; b. Pedestrian health and safety; and c. The safety and efficiency of the transport network; 2. The proposed location, scale, intensity of the activity; 3. The proposed duration, hours, times and day/s of the week on which the event will occur; 4. The measures proposed to mitigate noise and light spill; 5. The measures to address any effects from traffic generated by the activity, including effects on public transport and other activities at the location; 6. The measures to address pedestrian safety and to address any restrictions on public access; and 7. The provision of information to local residents and businesses regarding the proposed activity and its duration.
<p>TEMP-S3</p>	<p>Hours of operation</p>	

All zones	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All temporary activities, including activity set-up and take down, must operate between the hours of <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Monday to Thursday, 0700 – 2200; b. Friday and Saturday, 0700 – 2300; and c. Sunday, 0700 – 2200. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The extent to which the nature, intensity and scale of the activity adversely effects amenity values; and 2. The public must be notified no less than 14 working days prior to the temporary event, including information about the proposed activity, its hours and duration.
TEMP-S4 Maximum noise levels – activity specific, excluding temporary military training activities		
All zones	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All temporary activity noise (excluding set up and pack down of any associated structures and restoration of the site) must not exceed the following noise levels, when measured at any point within the boundary of any site other than the site the temporary activity is located on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. 75 dB LAeq (5 min); b. 85 dB LAFMax; 2. No adjustments for amplified sound containing Special Audible Characteristics in accordance with Section 6.3 or Appendix B of New Zealand Standards NZS6802: 2008 Acoustics – Environmental Noise shall apply; 3. On New Year’s Eve, 31 December, the temporary noise standards set out above do not apply between the hours of 2300hrs to 0100hrs 1 January; 4. The public must be notified not less than 14 working days prior to the temporary event, including information about: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Name and nature of the event; b. Date(s) and start and finish time of the event itself; and c. Date(s) times of any sound testing, set up and take down; 5. Noise resulting from construction work associated with any temporary activity (including set up and pack down of any associated structures and restoration of the site) shall be measured and assessed in accordance with NZS6803: 1999 Acoustics – Construction Noise. 	
TEMP-S5 Hours for Council-organised public firework displays		
All zones	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The lighting of fireworks must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Be undertaken between 6pm and 10:30pm, except for New Year’s Eve; and b. Be undertaken between 8pm on New Year’s Eve and 1am on New Year’s Day. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The extent to which the nature, intensity and scale of the activity adversely effects amenity values; and 2. The provision of information to the nearby community regarding the

		proposed activity and its hours and duration.
TEMP-S6	Temporary military training activities	
<p>Open Space Zones Rural Zone Port Zone General Industrial Zone <u>All Zones</u></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The duration of a temporary military training activity <u>involving weapons firing and/or the use of explosives</u> must not exceed a period of 14 consecutive days (excluding set up and pack down activities); 2. <u>The duration of a temporary military training activity excluding weapons firing and/or the use of explosives must not exceed a period of 31 consecutive days (excluding set up and pack down activities);</u> 3. No activity to be undertaken on Sundays; 4. <u>3.</u> Temporary military training activities involving weapons firing or the use of explosives must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. provide notice, and a noise management plan prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic engineer, to the Council at least three <u>five</u> working days prior to the commencement of the activity, with the notice specifying: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. whether the activity involves live firing and/or the use of explosives or firing of blank ammunition; ii. the location of the activity and the boundaries within which the activity will take place; iii. the distances to buildings used for activities sensitive to noise; and iv. the timing and duration of the activity; b. meet the APP6 temporary military training activities noise separation distances; and 5. <u>4.</u> Temporary military training activities must return sites to their original condition after the temporary activity is finished. 	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adverse effects on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pedestrian health and safety; b. The efficiency of the transport network; 2. The proposed location, scale, intensity of the activity; 3. The proposed duration, hours, times and day/s of the week on which the event will occur; 4. The measures proposed to mitigate noise and light spill; 5. The measures to address any effects from traffic generated by the activity, including effects on public transport and other activities at the location; 6. The measures to address pedestrian safety and to address any restrictions on public access; and 7. The public must be notified no less than 14 working days prior to the temporary military training activities, including information about the proposed activity, its hours and duration.
TEMP-S7	Temporary building or structure	
All Zones	<p>The temporary building or structure is erected no more than two weeks prior to the temporary activity taking place and is removed no more than two weeks after it concludes.</p>	<p>Assessment criteria where the standard is infringed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adverse effects on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pedestrian health and safety; b. The <u>safety and</u> efficiency of the transport network; and c. Any restrictions on public access. 2. The proposed location, scale, intensity of the activity.
TEMP-S8	Basin Reserve special entertainment event duration and noise emissions	

<p>Basin Reserve</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There are to be no more than 6 special entertainment events per calendar year; 2. An event must meet the APP6 Basin Reserve Special Entertainment Event Noise Emissions; 3. The special entertainment event (excluding site set up, site take down, sound testing, and calibration of equipment) must only operate between 14:00hrs and 22:30hrs; 4. No adjustments for amplified sound containing Special Audible Characteristics in accordance with Section 6.3 and Appendix B of New Zealand Standards NZS6802:2008 Acoustics – Environmental Noise must apply; 5. Sound testing and calibration may only commence after 1000hrs on the day of the special entertainment event and must not last for longer than 2 hours and must stop 2 hours before the concert begins; 6. Noise resulting from construction work (including set up and pack down of any associated structures and restoration of the site) shall be measured and assessed in accordance with NZS6803: 1999 Acoustics – Construction Noise; 7. The public must be notified not less than 14 working days prior to the event, including (but not limited to) the following information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Name and nature of the event; b. Date(s) and start and finish time of the event itself; c. Date(s) times of any sound testing, set up and take down; and d. Possible alternative dates in the case of an event postponement; 8. Real time sound level monitoring must be undertaken during the event. Monitoring must be conducted at the front road boundary of 21 Ellice Street and front road boundary of 62 Tasman Street. The sound level monitoring must be conducted by a suitable qualified and experienced acoustic engineer suitable to Council; and 9. Following each special entertainment event, a written noise compliance report must be submitted to the Compliance Manager, Wellington City Council within 5 days of the event. The report must as a minimum include the results of the real time noise monitoring and details of any complaints received and actions taken in response. 	
<p>TEMP-S9</p>	<p>Wellington Regional Stadium special entertainment event duration and noise emissions</p>	
<p>Wellington Regional Stadium</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There are to be no more than 6 special entertainment events per calendar year; 2. A special entertainment event must meet the APP6 Wellington Regional Stadium 	

	<p>Special Entertainment Event Noise Emissions;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Real time sound level monitoring must be undertaken during the duration of the six special entertainment events. The sound level monitoring must be conducted by a suitable qualified and experienced acoustic engineer approved by Council; 4. Following each special entertainment event, a written noise compliance report must be submitted to the Compliance Manager, Wellington City Council within 5 days of the event. The report must as a minimum include the results of the real time noise monitoring and details of any complaints received and actions taken in response; 5. The public must be notified not less than 14 working days prior to any special entertainment event, including (but not limited to) the following information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the type and nature of the special entertainment event; b. the proposed dates of the special entertainment event; c. the start and finish times of any sound testing; d. the start and finish times of the special entertainment event; and e. Possible alternative dates in the case of an event postponement; 6. Noise resulting from construction work (including set up and pack down of any associated structures and restoration of the site) shall be measured and assessed in accordance with NZS6803: 1999 Acoustics – Construction Noise; and 7. Sound testing and the calibration of equipment or practice sessions for any special entertainment event, must be limited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the day of the event, and/or up to three days prior to the event; b. between the hours of 9.00am and 5.00pm; c. no more than three hours on any one day; and d. if testing is undertaken on the day of the event, testing must be completed two hours prior to the commencement of the special entertainment event. 	
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