

**FREEDOM CAMPING ACT 2011: REVIEW OF TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOR PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES**

About this survey

**We want to hear from you**

The Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment (MBIE) is seeking your feedback on whether you think there should be an extension to transitional period 4 (for privately owned vehicles) in the Freedom Camping Act. You are welcome to make a submission on some or all of the questions in this survey and/or raise any other relevant points. A discussion document covering the proposals is available on the MBIE website. Please refer to this document for more information.

Completing this survey should take you approximately **10 minutes**. We appreciate your time and your insights. Feel free to answer as many or as few questions as you would like.

Please submit this survey form by the deadline of **5:00pm, 1 November 2024**.

* Send your submission as a Microsoft Word document to responsiblecamping@mbie.govt.nz
* Mail your submission to:

Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

C/O Destinations and Regional Economies Team, LSE

PO Box 1473

Wellington 6140

New Zealand

**What will we do with your information?**

Submissions may be subject to the release under the New Zealand Official Information Act 1982 and requests under the Privacy Act 2020.

If you have any objection to release of any information in your submission, please clearly state this at the end of this survey or email us directly at responsiblecamping@mbie.govt.nz.

In your statement, please clearly indicate which parts you consider should be withheld together with the reasons for withholding the information. We will take such comments into account when we do our own review and will endeavour to consult with submitters when responding to requests under the Official Information Act 1982 and Privacy Act 2020.

Your participation is voluntary. When providing a survey response, you can choose not to provide contact details or personal information in your responses. Any personal information collected will be managed as explained in the discussion document and by Survey Monkey policies at (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/mp/legal/privacy/>). The submissions received will be used as explained in the discussion document.

MBIE will proactively publish submissions, and a summary of survey results, which we may edit to protect privacy. You have rights of access to, and correction of, your personal information as explained on the MBIE website at [www.mbie.govt.nz](http://www.mbie.govt.nz). If you included the personal information of another individual in your submission, they also have the right to access and/or correct their own information.

The proactive release of submissions and a summary of survey results will be on our external website at [www.mbie.govt.nz](http://www.mbie.govt.nz).

*In filling this submission form, you agree to participate in the survey and to the use of your survey responses and any personal information provided within them as described in the discussion document. If you do not wish to participate in the survey, you can discard this form at any time.*



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**Personal information**

In order to contact you if we have any questions about your submission, we would appreciate you providing some contact information but understand if you would prefer not doing so. We will not include your personal information in any summary of survey results on our website.

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| Email address (optional): |  |

**Are you happy for MBIE to contact you if we have questions about your submission? (select one)**

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Not applicable – I have not provided my contact information

**Are you responding to the survey as an individual or on behalf of a company/group/organisation? (select one)**

[ ]  Individual

[ ]  Representing a company/group/organisation (please specify)

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**Which of the following best describes you as an individual?**

[ ]  Member of a local community impacted by freedom camping

[ ]  Freedom camper

[ ]  Self-contained motor vehicle inspector

[ ]  Prefer not to say

[ ]  Other (please specify)

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**Which of the following best describes your company/group/organisation?**

[ ]  Certification Authority

[ ]  Industry peak body

[ ]  Iwi, hapū, or Māori organisation

[ ]  Local government (or related entity)

[ ]  Rental vehicle business

[ ]  Tourism business

[ ]  Non-tourism business

[ ]  Not-for-profit organisation or club

[ ]  Prefer not to say

[ ]  Other (please specify)

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The issue and why we are consulting

In 2023, the Government passed a new law for self-contained vehicles to better manage the impacts of freedom camping on our communities and environment. The self-containment requirements for private motor vehicles certified under the old system come into effect in June 2025. However, only a small number of the estimated 73,000 self-contained vehicles in New Zealand currently have been certified under the new system.

MBIE is consulting on whether transitional period 4 for private self-contained vehicles should be extended to reduce the pressure on Certification Authorities and their vehicle inspectors, noting that such a delay may impose other costs.

Under the status quo transitional period 4 ends on 7 June 2025. Should the transitional period be extended, we have identified two options:

**Option 1: A one-year extension (7 June 2026)**

**Option 2: A two-year extension (7 June 2027)**

**Do you think that the transitional period should be extended?**

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Not sure

**If so, which option or period do you support?**

[ ]  Option 1: A one-year extension (7 June 2026)

[ ]  Option 2: A two-year extension (7 June 2027)

[ ]  Another period within the two-year maximum extension allowed under law (please specify)

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**Why have you chosen that response? (please specify)**

**Are there any costs or benefits that have not been identified in the discussion document?**

[ ]  No

[ ]  Not sure

[ ]  Yes (please specify)

**Are there any other issues related to the transitional period that have not been covered in the discussion document?**

[ ]  No

[ ]  Yes (please specify)



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**Please tell us if there are specific responses you consider should be withheld and why?**