

Earthquake-prone Building (EPB) Exemption Application Form

Property Details		EQ ID (if known):	
Address of Building			
Owners Details			
Name(s)			
Postal Address			
Email Address			
Phone Number			
Building Information	Current	Future (if different)	
Primary use?			
Number of people in or near building?			
Frequency of use (days per year)?			
Length of time people are in or near building (hours)?			
Please record any other additional information to support your application below: Please also attach any other documentation or information which supports your application.			
Owner's Name:			Owner's Signature:
Date:			

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Outline of exemption requirements	
<p>Section 133AN of the Building Act 2004 sets out the grounds on which an earthquake prone building can be exempted from having to carry out seismic strengthening works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil to low, or low to moderate, intensity of current occupation, <i>and</i> • Nil to low, or low to moderate, intensity of expected occupation, <i>and</i> • The collapse of the building or part in a moderate earthquake is unlikely to result in death or injury to more than a low number of people, <i>and</i> • The collapse of the building or part in a moderate earthquake is unlikely to result in more than minor damage to any other property, <i>and</i> • No strategic transport route would be impeded if the building or part collapsed in a moderate earthquake. <p>This application form collects information that helps PNCC assess the first three bullet points above. The fourth bullet point is assessed from available engineering information and locality plans of the building. The final bullet point is a check on whether the building is a priority building.</p> <p>More detail on the definitions of intensity of current and expected occupation can be found in Schedule 4 of the Building (Specified Systems, Change the Use, and Earthquake-prone Buildings) Regulations 2005 at http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2005/0032/7.0/DLM313966.html.</p>	
Definitions	
Primary Use	Is the building used for residential, commercial, or other purposes? Describe the nature of activities as much as possible (storage, offices, gym etc).
Number of People In or Near Building	What is the maximum number of people in or near the building on any given day? This should include workers and visitors. We need to know the number of people, not Full-Time Equivalents or similar.
Length of Time People are In or Near Building	On average, what length of time are people in or near the building? We'd like to know the number of hours in the day that this happens. For example, if it is a full working day then write down 8 hours. Or if it is used for short gatherings and meetings, it may be 1 or 2 hours.
Frequency of Use	How often is the building used with the number of people and length of time described above? It could be every working day (approximately 260 days a year), or once a week (52 days a year), or even less.
Future	If you are expected the use of the building to change in the future, we need to know whether that will lead to increased numbers of people being in or near it, and/or for increased times. If this expected change is not going to happen for quite a while (more than a year away), you can note when you expect it to happen in the comments field.
In or Near Building	The phrase 'In or Near Building' is used to recognise that earthquakes can impact on people inside and outside of a building. When we ask for numbers of people 'near a building' we are meaning those who will be in areas which could reasonably be affected by any collapse of the building in a moderate to severe earthquake (e.g. courtyards, outdoor seating areas etc).

Please return this application form to:

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