

UNDER SECTION 23A AND SECTION 32, CROWN MINERALS ACT 1991

Application for a Petroleum Permit

This form is used to apply (under section 23A, and section 32 of the Crown Minerals Act 1991 (the Act)) for a:

- › Petroleum Prospecting Permit
- › Petroleum Exploration Permit
- › Petroleum Mining Permit

This form should **not** be used to apply for a Petroleum Exploration Permit offered for allocation by public tender (e.g. a [Block Offer](#)). Application forms will be found on the [New Zealand Petroleum & Minerals \(NZP&M\) website](#) if a public tender round is announced.

New Zealand Petroleum & Minerals (NZP&M) recommends that applicants familiarise themselves with the Act, the [Crown Minerals \(Minerals Other than Petroleum\) Regulations 2007](#), and the [Minerals Programme for Minerals \(Excluding Petroleum\) 2025](#), and seek professional advice where appropriate before making an application for a permit. See NZP&M's [Overview of the minerals and petroleum regulatory environment - New Zealand Petroleum and Minerals](#) webpage for more details.

Please note that information provided with your application is treated confidentially but may be subject to release under the provisions of the [Official Information Act 1982](#). If this is the case, we may consult with you before the material is considered for public release.

The personal information you must include in this form is needed to process your application under the Act. You have the right under the [Privacy Act 2020](#) and/or the Official Information Act 1982 to access information held about you by NZP&M and request that this information be corrected if necessary.

The information you provide in this form may be used for regulatory compliance or enforcement purposes according to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's [Transparency Statement](#).

If the space on any part of this form is insufficient to include all relevant details, including the details of additional nominated permit participants requested in section 2.1 if more than one, record the details on a separate sheet/s of paper, state "see supporting information" in the appropriate space in this form, note it as supporting information in table 4.2, and attach the supplementary information to this application in the order the information is requested in the form.

Before commencing this application form, please refer to the associated [Supporting Information Guide](#) which is designed to be read alongside the application form and provides guidance on how to complete the form correctly and provide the accompanying documentation as required.

SECTION 1: CONTACT DETAILS

1.1 Application Contact Details

Please provide the details of the person making the application. This person (who must be an individual) will be the point of contact for any matters relating to the application.

Legal name:	
Organisation:	
NZBN (if applicable):	
Postal address:	
	Postcode:
Email:	
Primary phone:	
Secondary phone:	

1.2 Permit Administrator Details

This is the person responsible for the ongoing administration of the permit. Will the permit administrator be different from the application contact?

- ☐ Yes *If yes, please complete section 1.2.*
- ☐ No *If no, please continue to section 2.*

Legal name:	
Organisation:	
NZBN (if applicable):	
Postal address:	
	Postcode:
Email:	
Primary phone:	
Secondary phone:	

SECTION 2: PERMIT HOLDER DETAILS: NOMINATED PERMIT OPERATOR AND PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Nominated Permit Holder and Nominated Permit Participant Details

If there is only one nominated participant in the permit, this will be the sole permit holder. If there is more than one nominated participant in the permit, these will jointly be the permit holder.

Please record below the details of the nominated permit holder, including all nominated permit participants. If there is more than one nominated participant in the permit, please:

- › record the details of the first nominated participant in the form below
- › record the details of each additional participant using as many separate sheets of paper as required, record this as supplementary information in table 4.2 and attach the sheet/s to this application form.

Please note that each nominated permit participant will need to give authority to the person named in section 1.1 by signing an **APP 10** Application Authority form which will be submitted with this application (see section 4.1 below).

Name of nominated permit participant

Permits can only be granted to legal entities. See Supporting Information Guide, section 4

Type of nominated permit participant

☐ Individual ☐ NZ Registered company ☐ Overseas company ☐ Other (please state):

Name of organisation or company (if applicable)

NZBN (if applicable)

Postal address

Address of the registered office, if applicable

Physical address

Address of the registered office, if applicable

Address for service

This can be the nominated permit holder's physical address within New Zealand, or email address. Please specify which is to be used.

Use email address Yes ☐ OR Use physical address Yes ☐

Email

Primary phone

Secondary phone

2.2 Participating Interest in Permit

If more than one permit participant jointly holds the permit, the participating interest for each participant may vary between participants.

Please list the percentage interest of all nominated participants in the permit (if there are more than six, please include a separate list of the percentage interests of the additional permit participants as supplementary information – refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 2.9.)

Please indicate the nominated permit operator (organisation or company name, or individual) in the first line.

	Nominated permit participant(s)	NZBN (if applicable)	Percentage interest
1	Permit operator		%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%
6			%

SECTION 3: PROPOSED PERMIT DETAILS

Please provide the following details relating to the proposed petroleum permit. Refer to the Supporting Information Guide for clarification of terms used and specific details about the information requested and in what circumstances.

Name of proposed operation

What **type** of petroleum permit are you applying for?

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.2

- ☐ Prospecting (exclusive, with the subsequent right to apply for an exploration permit)
This is the default for a prospecting permit
- ☐ Speculative prospector status (always non-exclusive, with no subsequent right to apply for an exploration permit)
- ☐ Exploration (new)
- ☐ Exploration (holder of prospecting permit with a subsequent right, applying for an exploration permit)

Please provide current prospecting permit number:

- ☐ Mining (new)
- ☐ Mining (holder of exploration permit with subsequent right applying for a mining permit)

Please provide current exploration permit number:

If you are applying for a **prospecting** permit or a new **exploration** permit, is this the Initial Application for the proposed permit area?

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.3 to 5.6

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know

If this is **not** an Initial Application, what is the Initial Application number (if known)?

Location

Permits may have different durations and size limits depending on location. Refer to the Supporting Information Guide section 5.7 to 5.9.

Please specify the region or petroleum basin

Is the area for which you are applying

☐ Onshore ☐ Offshore ☐ Both

Proposed permit area, stated in square kilometres

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.10 to 5.11

_____ square kilometres

Proposed duration of operation

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.12 to 5.13

Years _____ Months _____

Details of proposed partial relinquishments in relation to the permit area (exploration permit only)

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.14 to 5.16

	Date of relinquishment from permit commencement (in months)	
Percentage _____		_____

Is the land being applied for available for permitting?

Please confirm that the land is not subject to exclusion, for example, under section 14(2)(c) or section 28(A) of the Act

Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 5.17 to 5.19

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know

SECTION 4: SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 Documents and additional information required

Additional documentation is required to support your application as set out in the Crown Minerals (Petroleum) Regulations 2007. Different information is required depending on whether you are applying for a prospecting, exploration or mining permit. (NZP&M may ask you to provide further information when your application is being evaluated.)

Please attach the documentation identified in the tables below. Refer to the [Supporting Information Guidance](#) for a detailed description of what you need to provide to ensure your application meets the information requirements.

4.2 Supporting documents required for petroleum prospecting, exploration and mining permits

Specified in Petroleum Regulations: Schedule 2: parts 1, 1A, 2, 2A and Schedule 3

A signed APP 10 Application Authority form for each nominated permit participant who is not the person signing this application form	
Any supplementary information provided by the applicant where there was not enough space to include all relevant details in the relevant section of this application form. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 2.7)	
A map of the proposed permit area. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.6 to 6.10)	
Information about the proposed geological area. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.11)	
A proposed work programme. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.15 to 6.17)	
A statement of the technical qualifications and financial resources/capabilities of the applicant. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.18 to 6.24.)	

4.3 Additional supporting documents required for a petroleum prospecting permit

Specified in Petroleum Regulations: Schedule 2, part 1

The results of any previous prospecting and exploration work in relation to the permit area. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.14)	
The play or plays to be addressed in the permit and a description of the critical risks associated with them that demonstrates the applicant's understanding of the petroleum system. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.14)	

4.4 Additional supporting documents required for a petroleum exploration permit

Specified in Petroleum Regulations: Schedule 2, part 1A and Schedule 2A

A document that sets out the geographic co-ordinates of the turning points used to construct the permit area map (even if that data is included in the map provided above). (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.9)	
A summary of the petroleum potential of the permit area. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.14)	
A summary of the results of any previous prospecting and exploration work in relation to the permit area. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.14)	
A statement of each proposed permit participant's compliance history. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.25 to 6.30)	
A statement of the proposed permit operator's health and safety and environmental capabilities and systems. (Refer to the <i>Supporting Information Guide</i> , section 6.31 to 6.34)	

4.5 Additional supporting documents required for a petroleum mining permit

Specified in Petroleum Regulations: Schedule 2, part 2 and Schedule 3

A report that: › sets out the reserves and proposed work programme for the development of the field concerned › includes the information set out in the listed items 1 to 10 below: <i>(The following list is a summary. Refer to the Supporting Information Guide, section 6.35 and 6.36 for an overview, and Schedule 3 of the Petroleum Regulations for details of the information to be provided)</i>	
1. An executive summary of the information supplied in the listed items 2 to 10 below, including: a. a summary of the in-place and recoverable reserves (including the applicant's calculations of the assigned probabilities of the reserves); and b. a description of the proposed facilities to extract, treat, and transport the petroleum; and c. the proposed annual and cumulative field production.	
2. a discussion of permit history including exploration results and appraisal results	
3. a statement of the geology of the permit area, including its regional setting, geological history, and regional stratigraphy.	
4. a geophysical analysis and interpretation of the permit area	
5. a geological interpretation of the permit area	
6. a petrophysical evaluation of the permit area	
7. reservoir engineering data	
8. reserves information	
9. a proposed field development plan	
10. the proposed point or points of valuation for royalties payable	

SECTION 5: APPLICATION FEE

5.1 Payment information

This application must be accompanied by payment of the appropriate fee prescribed in the [Crown Minerals \(Petroleum Fees\) Regulations 2016](#).

Refer to the [NZP&M Petroleum Permit Application Fees](#) webpage for information on the current (GST inclusive) fees for a Prospecting, Exploration or Mining Permit application.

Please pay the application fee by internet banking and attach a copy of the successful transaction, as evidence of the payment.

Account details:

- › Account Holder/Payee name: Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment
- › Account number: 03 0049 0001311 02
- › Reference for payment: A proposed permit participant's name.
- › The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's bank account is held with Westpac bank, NZ Government Branch, 318 Lambton Quay, Wellington, New Zealand

The applicant is also expected to pay for all bank fees incurred for telegraphic transfers made from overseas:

- › One bank fee is charged when the fee leaves the country of origin's bank and another fee is charged when it is received by a bank in New Zealand.
- › As such, payments by telegraphic transfer should ensure that overseas bank charges are set to 'Ours' in order to have the bank fees paid at both ends
- › SWIFT Code is WPACNZ2W.

5.2 Evidence of payment

Please provide the following payment details to appear on the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment's bank statement and attach a copy of the successful internet banking transaction as evidence that the application fee has been paid.

Payee name:	
Payment reference:	
Payment date:	

Evidence of direct credit payment

☐ A copy of the successful internet banking transaction statement is attached

SECTION 6: DECLARATION

I declare that all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am authorised to sign this application.

Signature:	
Legal name:	
Position of signatory:	
Organisation:	
NZBN:	
Date:	

Where the permit participant is a company, partnership, society, trust or other legal entity, the application must be signed in accordance with the relevant legislative requirements, constitution, or rules by a person or agent with the requisite authority. All applications must be signed in accordance with the relevant regulations.

This completed form, along with the supporting documentation, should be emailed to New Zealand Petroleum & Minerals at the addresses below:

Email: nzpam@mbie.govt.nz

Enquiry contact details:

NZP&M website: www.nzpam.govt.nz

NZP&M is a branch of the New Zealand Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. We manage New Zealand's Crown Mineral Estate. Our aim is to maximise the gains to New Zealand's economy from development of these resources, a key component to the government's Business Growth Agenda. To support this aim we endeavour to educate and inform New Zealanders, including consultation with indigenous stakeholders and local government.