

**Recognising Variability in Charging for Animal Products and Wine Approvals – Submission template**

We would like to hear your views on the proposals in the consultation document: *Recognising Variability in Charging for Animal Products and Wine Approvals: Updating charging practices for selected services.*

We encourage you to use this template to prepare your submission. Once complete, please either email to costrecovery@mpi.govt.nz (preferred), or mail to:

*Consultation: Recognising Variability in Approvals Charging - Proposals for 1 July 2020*
Cost Recovery Directorate
Ministry for Primary Industries
PO Box 2526
Wellington 6104

Please include your name and title, postal address, phone number and email address.

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| Are you submitting: |
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| **- as an individual?** | **Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]  |
| In which region are you located? | [ ]  Northland | [ ]  Auckland | [ ]  Waikato |
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| **- as a business?** | **Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]  |
| What is the name of your business? |  |
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| How many people work in your business (full time/ part time)?(including owner-operators) | [ ]  0 - 5 | [ ]  6 - 9 | [ ]  10 -19 |
| [ ]  20 - 49 | [ ]  50 - 99 | [ ]  100+ |
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| In which region(s) do you operate? | [ ]  Northland | [ ]  Auckland | [ ]  Waikato |
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| **- on behalf of an organisation?** | **Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]  |
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| What is the name of your organisation? |  |
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| How many members do you represent? |  |
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| Additional details |
| What industry are you (or your members) primarily involved in? |
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| [ ]  Fishing | [ ]  Seafood processing |
| [ ]  Meat & meat product manufacturing | [ ]  Dairy product manufacturing |
| [ ]  Other food Manufacturing | [ ]  Other (non-food) manufacturing |
| [ ]  Food Product wholesaling & retailing | [ ]  Food & beverage services (e.g. cafes & restaurants) |
| [ ]  Transport, warehousing & related services |
| [ ]  Other: |  |  |
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**Questions for submitters**

# Proposal: Recognise variability in the time taken for animal products and wine approvals

**Proposal**

We propose amending 15 fees to improve equity by ensuring charges accurately reflect service costs and incentivise efficient service delivery by MPI by:

* *Ensuring charges reflect costs:* Changing fixed fees to match the typical amount of time it takes to provide the service
* *Incentivising efficiency:* Introducing the ability to charge for any additional time taken by MPI to provide a service where it exceeds a regulated time threshold.

**Questions**

1. Do you agree with the proposal to update the rates charged for the services outlined in Appendix 2 to meet their actual costs?

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| 🞎 Agree | 🞎Disagree | 🞎Other | 🞎No opinion |

1. What are the reasons for your opinion? If ‘other’ which fees do you not support being updated?
2. What impact will the proposed changes in fixed fees have on you or your business?

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| 🞎Significant negative impact | 🞎Negative impact | 🞎No impact | 🞎Positive impact | 🞎Significant positive impact | 🞎Don’t know |

1. Please describe any impact and quantify this if possible.
2. Do you agree with the proposal to introduce an ability for MPI to charge hourly rates for services currently charged at a fixed rate, in cases where the time to deliver the service exceeds a regulated threshold?

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| 🞎Agree | 🞎Disagree | 🞎No opinion |

1. What are the reasons for your opinion?
2. After how many hours should businesses be billed for any additional time taken for MPI to process a form?

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| 🞎Status quo | 🞎Fully variable | 🞎Half an hour | 🞎1 Hour | 🞎Two hours | 🞎Other |

1. What are the reasons for your opinion?
2. What impact will the proposed threshold have on you or your business?

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1. Please describe any impact and quantify this if possible.
2. Are there any other issues with approval and related fees you think MPI should be aware of?