

# 50MAX UPDATES

March 2015



## Over 3300 50MAX permits now issued

Over 3300 permits have now been issued since 50MAX was introduced, and the number continues to grow. Despite high demand, permits continue to be issued quickly, with most permits turned around in 2-3 days.

There are also no changes to the current bridge exceptions in the 50MAX book of maps.

There have been no new road controlling authorities signed up to the 50MAX network this month, however the Transport Agency is still actively working with the remaining councils that have yet to sign up with the aim of further increasing local road access – watch this space!

Some important headlines:

- Thank you to everyone who took part in the 50MAX operator survey. The results have been compiled and will be out soon. Early indicators are that there are significant productivity gains, and lots of areas that are working well, but a few areas we can focus on to improve further. We will share information on what improvements we are planning over the next few months.
- A BIG reminder to ensure that all drivers of 50MAX permitted vehicles must understand the terms and conditions of the 50MAX permit and the concept of the “do not cross bridges”. Because this is a network based on bridges and roads you are not allowed to cross it is critical that the routes are planned out BEFORE picking up a load.
- The interactive map on our website is designed to help you plan your routes and is fully zoom-able (like google maps). The PDF Maps are a backup and should only be used to indicate where do not cross structures are likely to be for further investigation. Best practice is to use the 50MAX Interactive web map to plan your routes in advance – click on the web map link to be taken to the site. [Web Map](#).

Local authorities that have opened their networks to 50MAX via our permits are:

<b>50MAXRoad Controlling Authority</b>	<b>Release Month</b>	<b>50MAXRoad Controlling Authority</b>	<b>Release Month</b>
Kawerau	<b>Sep-13</b>	Timaru	<b>Feb-14</b>
Rotorua	<b>Sep-13</b>	Waikato	<b>Feb-14</b>
Tauranga	<b>Sep-13</b>	Wellington City	<b>Feb-14</b>
Western BoP	<b>Sep-13</b>	Central Otago	<b>Mar-14</b>
Otorohanga	<b>Nov-13</b>	South Wairarapa	<b>Mar-14</b>
Gisborne	<b>Dec-13</b>	Waitaki	<b>Mar-14</b>
Hauraki	<b>Dec-13</b>	Carterton	<b>Apr-14</b>
Matamatapiako	<b>Dec-13</b>	Masterton	<b>Apr-14</b>
South Waikato	<b>Dec-13</b>	Christchurch City	<b>May-14</b>
Waitomo	<b>Dec-13</b>	Nelson City	<b>May-14</b>
Auckland	<b>Jan-14</b>	Porirua	<b>May-14</b>
Hastings	<b>Jan-14</b>	Dunedin City	<b>Jun-14</b>
Manawatu	<b>Jan-14</b>	Kaikoura	<b>Jun-14</b>
Marlborough	<b>Jan-14</b>	Kapiti Coast	<b>Jun-14</b>
Palmerston North	<b>Jan-14</b>	New Plymouth	<b>Jun-14</b>
Rangitikei	<b>Jan-14</b>	Selwyn	<b>Jun-14</b>
Ruapehu	<b>Jan-14</b>	Stratford	<b>Jun-14</b>
Tasman	<b>Jan-14</b>	Waimakariri	<b>Jul-14</b>
Taupo	<b>Jan-14</b>	Gore	<b>Jul-14</b>
Upper Hutt	<b>Jan-14</b>	Hamilton City	<b>Aug-14</b>
Waipa	<b>Jan-14</b>	South Taranaki	<b>Dec-14</b>
Whakatane	<b>Jan-14</b>	Whangarei	<b>Jan-15</b>
Ashburton	<b>Feb-14</b>	Wairoa	<b>Jan-15</b>
Hutt City	<b>Feb-14</b>	Horowhenua	<b>Jan-15</b>
Opotiki	<b>Feb-14</b>	Wanganui	<b>Jan-15</b>
Thames Coromandel	<b>Feb-14</b>		

Any drivers who are unsure about where they can go can view the book of maps on the Transport Agency's website at [www.nzta.govt.nz/50MAX](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/50MAX), or get information by emailing [info50MAX@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:info50MAX@nzta.govt.nz) or calling 0800 699 000.

Regards

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