



The Department recommends that you contact the Department of Conservation permissions office listed below to discuss your application prior to completing the application forms.

This form is to be used when applying for a new permit or the renewal of an existing permit, and where the proposed activity involves shore-based marine mammal viewing. This form is to be completed in conjunction with Applicant Information Form 8.

Note:

- If your application also involves marine mammal viewing which is vessel-based please also fill in Form 8a.
- If your application also involves marine mammal viewing which is aircraft-based please also fill in Form 8c.
- If your application also involves swimming with marine mammals please also fill in Form 8e.
- If you seek a minor amendment to a current permit (i.e. a new vehicle or a new staff member) please fill in the application Form 8f. If you seek an amendment that is more than minor please contact the office below.

Please complete this application form, providing all information requested in as much detail as possible. Attach **Form 8** and any other applicable forms and information, and send to permissions@doc.govt.nz.

Note:

- Under regulation 10 of the Marine Mammals Protection Regulations 1992, the Department must determine whether or not the application is acceptable and may require the application to be amended. The Department will advise applicants if, and what, amendments are required before this application can be processed by the Department.
- If the application is approved, it is deemed to form part of the permit which is issued and must be complied with accordingly. Your application, therefore, must be clear, complete and accurate.

The Department will process the application and issue a permit if it is satisfied that the application meets all the requirements for granting a permit under the Marine Mammals Protection Regulations 1992.

A. Applicant name (as per Form 8)

Eventes Event Management Limited

B. Proposed Operation

Species

Tick which species you are applying to view:

☒ New Zealand fur seal

☒ New Zealand sea lion

☐ Other please list:

* Please inform yourself as to the current list of moratoria and species or locations of concern prior to making your application.

Location information (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

Base of operation:

Christchurch and Queenstown

Proposed area of operation:

Kaikoura and Otago Peninsula

Specific locations where contact with marine mammals is proposed:

Tunnel Beach Walkway, Allans Beach, Point Kean Lookout, Saint Clair Beach

Proposed route to, along and across the shore:

Public roads and DOC carparks

You must attach a map of the proposed area of operation; it must clearly show the boundaries of the area, any specific locations where contact with marine mammals is likely, and expected routes.

Trip details (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

Frequency - proposed months of operation:

All year round

Frequency - number of trips per annum:

5 - 20

Frequency - number of trips per day:

1

Duration of trips:

30-45mins

Maximum number of vehicles operating at any one time:

1

Maximum number of passengers:

19*

*We are intending to purchase a larger van later in the year

Vehicle Information (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

Vehicle 1. description:

Registration: QYA225

Make: Mercedes

Model: Sprinter

4WD/2WD 2WD

Carrying Capacity: 11 Passengers

Colour: White

Vehicle 2. description:

Registration: LCN116

Make: Mercedes

Model: Sprinter

4WD/2WD 2WD

Carrying Capacity: 14 Passengers

Colour: White

Vehicle 3. description:

Registration:

Make: Mercedes

Model: Sprinter

4WD/2WD 2WD

Carrying Capacity: 19 Passengers

Colour: White / Silver

Drivers, guides and other relevant staff (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

Please fill in for every staff member who may come into contact with marine mammals throughout the course of the proposed operation.

Full Name: Johnny Leung

Job Title: Director / Senior Driver Guide

Has this person had any convictions or prosecutions for offences against the Act or any other Act involving the mistreatment of animals?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If "yes", please provide details:

Relevant experience with marine mammals: SMART Course, Experiences with other operators

Full Name: Lok Fu

Job Title: Director / Senior Driver Guide

Has this person had any convictions or prosecutions for offences against the Act or any other Act involving the mistreatment of animals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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If "yes", please provide details:

Relevant experience with marine mammals: Experiences with other operators

Full Name: Chun-Chieh Yang	Job Title: Driver Guide
Has this person had any convictions or prosecutions for offences against the Act or any other Act involving the mistreatment of animals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

If "yes", please provide details:

Relevant experience with marine mammals: Experiences with other operators

Full Name:	Job Title:
Has this person had any convictions or prosecutions for offences against the Act or any other Act involving the mistreatment of animals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If "yes", please provide details:

Relevant experience with marine mammals:

Proposed Term

You can apply for up to 10 years. However, in some situations a permit may be restricted to a shorter term for the purposes of the conservation, protection or management of marine mammals.

10 Years

C. Additional information (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

Maximum time to be spent with marine mammals per individual encounter:

15 minutes

Maximum cumulative time for all encounters with marine mammals during trip:

30 minutes

Nature of the contact with marine mammals:

☐ Primary purpose

☒ Secondary purpose

Vehicle approach route and orientation of approach relative to seals or sea lions:

General Public Roads

Position of vehicles relative to seals or sea lions, the shore and the sea while viewing:

Public or DOC carparks

Distances to each species:

Stay 20-30m away

How groups of people will be managed in the vicinity of seals or sea lions in particular to manage noise and behaviour:

Brief the group about rules and safe distance before embarking. Keep people in one single group. Move slowly and quietly. Keep voice low. Ask the group to stay behind our guides at all the time.

Behaviour around breeding colonies, nurseries and pups:

Stay behind fences, keep a good distance, do not let the group approach.

What other actions you will take to minimise disturbance of the marine mammals:

Remain on walking tracks, keep an eye on other visitors not in our group, politely ask them to keep a good distance if they are standing too close

How will you depart from the marine mammals?

Vehicle departure route and orientation of departure relative to seals or sea lions:

Public Road

D. Educational material (refer to Appendix 1 for detailed guidance)

SMART Course Reference Book 2024 and other leaflet from the course, DOC WEBSITE,
New Zealand Geographic Online Digital Copy.

APPENDIX 1

GUIDANCE INFORMATION FOR FILLING IN THE FORM

Location information

“Base of operation” -specify the location where passengers board the vehicle.

“Proposed area of operation” -provide a written description of the general extent of the operation where you will be likely to have contact with marine mammals – please specify the boundaries (e.g. key landmarks) and the location as it is generally known; e.g. Wellington coast or Wairarapa coast.

“Specific locations where contact with marine mammals is proposed” - you need to list any particular sites you will visit where marine mammals are known or expected to be encountered; e.g. Red Rocks, Ohau Stream waterfall, Point Kean, Barney’s Island, Adele Island.

Trip details

Clearly identify where there are seasonal differences in the trip details

Type and number of vehicles to be used

If you have more vehicles than the spaces provided please copy the fields and paste to the bottom of the table in the section.

Drivers, guides and other relevant staff

If you have more staff members than the spaces provided please copy the fields and paste to the bottom of the table in the section.

Additional information

Please be specific for each class of marine mammal or for individual species.

Maximum time spent with marine mammals per individual encounter:

“Encounter” means being less than 100 metres from a seal or sea lion.

Nature of the contact with marine mammals:

“Primary purpose” means the operation’s main focus is to seek out and encounter seals or sea lions e.g. seal encounter tours and trips to known seal colonies.

“Secondary purpose” means that viewing seals or sea lions is not the operation’s main focus but will still be viewed if encountered; e.g. certain scenic cruises, tourist bus trips.

Educational Material

Please briefly describe the educational aspects of the proposed operation and supply any proposed educational material, copies of brochures or information booklets as an attachment (note, these may be returned if requested).