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Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this reprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this reprint, together with other explanatory material about this reprint.

This Act is administered by Te Puni Kōkiri.

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An Act to amend the law relating to Maoris and Maori land, and for other purposes

1 Short Title

This Act may be cited as the Maori Purposes Act 1975.

**Part 1
Amendments to Maori Affairs Act 1953**

[Repealed]

Part 1: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

2 This Part to form part of the Maori Affairs Act 1953

[Repealed]

Section 2: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

3 Extending class of persons who may receive an interest in land under a vesting order

[Repealed]

Section 3: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

4 Valuations for renewals of leases

[Repealed]

Section 4: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

5 Establishing quorum for exchange of land

[Repealed]

Section 5: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

6 Land acquired from Maoris for public work may be revested in Maoris

[Repealed]

Section 6: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

- 7 Additional provision for re-transfer of shares in Maori incorporations**
[Repealed]
Section 7: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

- 8 Incorporations may accept trusts**
[Repealed]
Section 8: repealed, on 1 July 1993, by section 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

Part 2

Miscellaneous amendments to Maori legislation

- 9 Sale of reserved land and vested land to lessees abolished**
Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).
- 10 Revesting of land in owners**
Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).
- 11 Owners of Maori reserved land may be constituted as incorporations**
Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).
- 12 Assurance Fund abolished**
(1) *Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).*
(2) All money and investments which on the commencement of this Act are standing to the credit of the Assurance Fund established under section 34 of the Maori Trustee Act 1953 shall thereupon be transferred to and used for the ordinary purposes of the General Purposes Fund.
- 13 Ngaitahu Trust Board beneficiaries**
[Repealed]
Section 13: repealed, on 24 April 1996, by section 34(1) of Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu Act 1996 (1996 No 1 (P)).

14 Maori Wardens

- (1), (2) *Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).*
- (3) Every Maori Warden holding office at the commencement of this Act shall, if he does not sooner vacate office, vacate office on 30 June 1976.

15 District Maori Councils may recognise Maori societies

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

16 Alteration of term European land to general land

- (1) The enactments set out in Schedule 1 are hereby amended by omitting the term “European land” wherever it occurs, and substituting in each case the term “general land”.
- (2) Every reference to the term European land in any enactment, not specified in Schedule 1, or in any regulations, rule, or order or in any agreement, deed, instrument, application, licence, notice, or other document whatsoever, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be read hereafter as a reference to general land.

17 Status of land of Maori Incorporations

- (1) Land which is vested in any Maori incorporation at the commencement of this Act and which is European land—
- (a) by virtue of section 31(3) of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 as originally enacted; or
 - (b) by virtue of section 68(2) of that Act; or
 - (c) pursuant to a declaration of the Maori Land Court under section 31(3) of that Act (as substituted by section 77 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1974),—
- shall cease to be European land and shall, on the commencement of this Act, become Maori freehold land within the meaning of the Maori Affairs Act 1953.
- (2)–(4) *Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).*

Part 3

Establishing incorporations for Rangatira Blocks

18 Purpose of this Part

The purpose of this Part is to give effect (with some modifications) to the recommendations of the Royal Commission appointed by warrant dated 25 February 1974 to inquire into and report upon the future use of certain Rangatira Blocks situated on the shores of Lake Taupo, which recommendations are contained in the report of the Commission dated 19 September 1974 and reproduced as Parliamentary Paper H6 for the year 1974.

19 Interpretation

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires,—

court means the Maori Land Court

Registrar means the Registrar of the Maori Land Court for the Waiariki Maori Land Court district.

20 Cancellation of orders

- (1) The orders of the court and Maori Appellate Court specified in Schedule 2 are hereby cancelled and, subject to subsection (2), the land comprised in those orders shall hereafter be held again under the instruments of title in existence immediately before 14 November 1955 as if those orders had not been made.
- (2) All orders of the court made under section 136, section 137, or section 213 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953, and any exchanges or alienations of land or interests in land (including any effected by a vesting order made under section 81 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 or by a transmission or transfer that bears an endorsement made pursuant to section 83(2) of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967), made or effected since the date of the orders cancelled by subsection (1) but before the commencement of this Act, being orders, exchanges, or alienations which relate to any of the land comprised in the orders so cancelled, shall be deemed to relate to the respective titles formerly in existence and to the interests thereunder.

- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (2), the orders of the court made under section 438 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 and specified in Schedule 3 are hereby cancelled and, subject to the provisions of this Part, the legal estate in the land affected by those orders shall vest in the beneficial owners as if those orders had not been made.

21 Incorporating owners of Rangatira Blocks

- (1) The owners of the parcels of land described in Schedule 4 are hereby constituted as Maori incorporations as follows:
- (a) the owners of the parcels of land described in Part 1 of that schedule are hereby constituted a Maori incorporation to be known as The Proprietors of Paenoa - Te Akau Block:
 - (b) the owners of the parcels of land described in Part 2 of that schedule are hereby constituted a Maori incorporation to be known as The Proprietors of Rangatira Point Block:
 - (c) the owners of the parcels of land described in Part 3 of that schedule are hereby constituted a Maori incorporation to be known as The Proprietors of Hiruharama-Ponui Block.
- (2) The parcels of land described in Schedule 4 are hereby vested in the respective incorporations designated in the headings to the 3 Parts of that schedule for, in each case, a legal and beneficial estate of freehold in fee simple, and the former owners shall, in each case, cease to have any interest therein whether legal or equitable.
- (3) The Maori freehold land vested in the incorporations constituted by subsection (1) and all other Maori freehold land subsequently vested in those incorporations by any means whatsoever shall continue to be Maori freehold land.
- (4) The objects of each Maori incorporation constituted by subsection (1) shall be as follows:
- (a) to use and manage the land or any part thereof as a farm and to carry on any agricultural or pastoral business thereon:

- (b) to use the land or any part thereof for the growing of timber and uses ancillary to or associated with the growing of timber:
 - (c) to arrange for the alienation of the land or any part thereof within the meaning of the term alienation as defined in section 4 of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993.
- (5) Without limiting the effect of section 43 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967, it is hereby declared that each Maori incorporation constituted by subsection (1) may in pursuance of any 1 or more of its objects:
- (a) subdivide for the purposes of sale all or any part of the land vested in it and employ persons possessing technical, professional, or commercial skill to assist with the subdivision:
 - (b) sell the sections so subdivided to any person, whether or not that person is a shareholder in the incorporation:
 - (c) sell sections to any shareholder of the incorporation on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, including a term requiring the shareholder to transfer shares to the incorporation in complete or partial satisfaction of the purchase price.
- (6) The proviso to section 48(1) of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 shall apply to any sale of land pursuant to this section.

Section 21(4)(c): amended, on 1 July 1993, pursuant to 362(2) of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4).

22 Part 4 of Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 applied

Subject to the provisions of this Part, the provisions of Part 4 of the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 shall apply to the incorporations hereby constituted as if they had been constituted by order of the court.

23 Preparation of lists of shareholders

- (1) The Registrar shall, within 6 months from the date of commencement of this Act, prepare, for each incorporation constituted by this Part, an initial list of shareholders (hereinafter called the **list**) upon the following basis:

- (a) the list shall contain the name of every person who is an owner of a beneficial freehold interest in the land in respect of which the incorporation is constituted by this Act:
 - (b) the list shall fix a total number of shares in the body corporate which shall be conveniently related to the total value of the land as fixed by a special government valuation of the capital value as defined by the Valuation of Land Act 1951 of each parcel of land as at the date of commencement of this Act:
 - (c) the list shall have annexed to it a schedule which shall contain the capital value disclosed by the valuation of each respective piece of land:
 - (d) the list shall allocate to each shareholder a number of shares, being as nearly as possible that proportion of the total shares which his former share in the value of the land bears to the total value of the land:
 - (e) in the list the Registrar shall make any adjustment or recalculation necessary as a result of part of the land described in Schedule 4 being contained in residue titles which exist due to the continuing existence of subsequent title orders made in respect of part of the land in the original title orders at various times.
- (2) For the purposes of the valuation of each parcel of land to be carried out under subsection (1), all the land to be valued shall, notwithstanding the provisions of the Valuation of Land Act 1951, be deemed to be zoned rural and not subject to any designation for a public work or public purpose under the operative district scheme prepared pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act 1953.

24 Preparation of valuations

On receipt of a written request from the Registrar, the Valuer-General shall within 3 months carry out the valuations for the purposes of section 23 without charge and no appeal under any statutory provision shall lie from the valuations so made.

25 Objections to lists of shareholders

- (1) The list prepared pursuant to section 23 shall be available for inspection at the offices of the Ministry of Maori Development at Rotorua and Taupo not later than 6 months after the commencement of this Act.
- (2) If any shareholder named in the list or any person claiming to have been omitted from the list believes that any of the contents of the list is erroneous, or inequitable or that there are omissions from the list he shall have the right, within 4 months of the date on which it becomes available for inspection under subsection (1), to make an application to the Maori Land Court for the Waiariki Maori Land Court District for an amendment to the list.
- (3) Upon application being made pursuant to subsection (2) the court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine the application and to order the amendment of the list if, in the opinion of the court, the list contains omissions or any matter which is erroneous or inequitable.
- (4) No appeal shall lie to any court from the decision of the court made hereunder and the Chief Judge of the Maori Land Court shall have no jurisdiction under section 452 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 to hear or consider any matter arising from a decision of the court hereunder.
- (5) All applications to the court made hereunder shall be heard together at a time and place fixed by the Registrar after the period specified in subsection (2) for the lodging of applications has expired.
- (6) At the hearing of the applications any person named in the list, even though not a party to any application, shall be entitled to appear and be heard upon any application.
- (7) Upon determination by the court of all applications made hereunder the list incorporating any amendments arising from determinations by the court shall be the list of shareholders of each incorporation to be used by the incorporation for establishing the share register.

Section 25(1): amended, on 1 January 1992, pursuant to section 9(3)(a) of the Ministry of Maori Development Act 1991 (1991 No 145).

26 Holding of meeting to elect committee of management

- (1) Upon determination by the court of all applications made under section 25 the court shall thereupon proceed in respect of each incorporation to fix a time and place for the holding of a general meeting of incorporated owners for the purpose of determining the number of members to comprise the committee of management and of electing a committee accordingly, and shall fix a quorum for that meeting.
- (2) The Registrar shall thereupon summon the meeting by sending written notice to those incorporated owners whose postal addresses are known to him.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of this Part, the Maori Incorporations Regulations 1969 shall apply to the incorporations hereby constituted and to the meetings summoned pursuant to this section.

27 Amalgamation of titles

- (1) The titles to the parcels of land described in Schedule 4 are hereby amalgamated in the following manner:
 - (a) the titles to parcels of land described in Part 1 of that schedule are hereby amalgamated under 1 title, and those parcels shall form a block to be known as the Paenoa - Te Akau Block:
 - (b) the titles to the parcels of land described in Part 2 of that schedule are hereby amalgamated under 1 title, and those parcels shall form a block to be known as the Rangatira Point Block:
 - (c) the titles to parcels of land described in Part 3 of that schedule, are hereby amalgamated under 1 title, and those parcels shall form a block to be known as the Hiruharama-Ponui Block.
- (2) Each amalgamation effected by subsection (1) shall, in each case, take effect on the date on which the list prepared pursuant to section 23(1) in respect of the shareholders of the incorporation in respect of which the block is vested by this Act is made available for inspection under section 25(1).
- (3) The Registrar is hereby empowered to draw and seal title orders in respect of the amalgamated titles citing the authority of this section.

- (4) Any survey or compilation of plans or preparation of plans or diagrams necessary for the completion of title orders established under this section shall be carried out without charge by the Chief Surveyor for the district on the requisition of the Registrar.
- (5) On the signing and sealing of any order under this section, the Registrar shall transmit the order to the District Land Registrar together with a certified copy of Schedule 4, and the District Land Registrar shall, without charge, register the order and make any amendment to the register required to give effect to the order.

28 Costs of previous trustees and others

- (1) Upon the constitution of the Maori incorporations to be known as The Proprietors of Hiruharama-Ponui Block and The Proprietors of Rangatira Point Block, the New Zealand Insurance Company Limited may submit a claim to the court for costs incurred in the administration of the trust created pursuant to the order first mentioned in the Schedule.
- (2) At the hearing held by the court pursuant to section 25(5) the court shall proceed to make orders charging the assets of the Maori incorporations specified in subsection (1) with an amount for costs to be apportioned by the court between the incorporations, being not more than the amount of the claim and otherwise being an amount which, in the opinion of the court, is reasonable taking into consideration the work performed by the trustees.
- (3) Any other person may make application to the court for an order under this section charging the assets of any 1 or more of the Maori incorporations constituted by this Part with the payment of costs incurred in respect of the land, and the court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine any such application:
provided that no order shall be made under this section where the claim is in respect of work which was not in the opinion of the court for the benefit of all owners of the land involved.
- (4) Any charge created by the court pursuant to this section shall be enforceable only by application to the court which shall have jurisdiction to order repayment of the money secured by

the charge upon such terms and conditions as the court may think fit.

29 Proceedings in courts deemed of no effect

- (1) Any application made to, any action or proceeding commenced in, and any decision given by, the High Court of New Zealand, the Court of Appeal of New Zealand, the Maori Appellate Court, or any tribunal (excepting the Maori Land Court), since 14 November 1955, in respect of the land described in Schedule 4 and the land known as Rangatira B616, is hereby declared to be of no effect.
- (2) Where any action is at the date of commencement of this Act before any court or tribunal the Registrar or Secretary of the court or tribunal shall enter upon the face of the record an endorsement to give effect to the provisions of subsection (1).

Section 29(1): amended, on 1 April 1980, pursuant to section 12 of the Judicature Amendment Act 1979 (1979 No 124).

30 Amalgamation of Rangatira B616 with Rangatira E

The order of the court, made under section 182 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 and dated 14 November 1955, which created the title for the land known as Rangatira B616 is hereby cancelled and the land therein shall hereafter be amalgamated with and be deemed to be part of the land known as Rangatira E and shall be held by the owners of Rangatira E as if it had been part of that block since the order of the court dated 6 April 1970 creating Rangatira E. The Registrar and the District Land Registrar shall do all things necessary to give effect to the provisions of this section.

31 Implementation of this Part

In implementing the provisions of this Part, the court, the Registrar, the District Land Registrar, and the Valuer-General shall perform their duties and exercise their powers under this Part in such manner as shall be necessary to give effect to the true intent thereof.

Schedule 1
Enactments amended

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(By omitting the term “European land” wherever it occurs, and substituting in each case the term “general land”.)

Maori Affairs Act 1953 (1953 No 94) (Reprinted 1968, Vol 3, p 2199)

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 (1967 No 124) (Reprinted 1968, Vol 3, p 2467)

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1974 (1974 No 73)

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

Maori Trustee Act 1953 (1953 No 95) (Reprinted 1969, Vol 3, p 2351)

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

Rating Act 1967 (1967 No 123)

Amendment(s) incorporated in the Act(s).

Schedule 2

s 20(1)

Orders of the Maori Land Court cancelled

- 1 The following orders made pursuant to section 182 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953, namely:
 - (a) the orders creating Rangatira B1 to B614 inclusive and dated 14 November 1955:
 - (b) the orders creating Rangatira B1 to B614 inclusive, B619A to B619H inclusive, B619J to B619Q inclusive, B620, B621, B622A to B622D inclusive, and B623 and dated 8 March 1961:
 - (c) the orders creating Rangatira C Residue, Rangatira C1 to C5 inclusive, Rangatira C7 to C926 inclusive, Rangatira C928, Rangatira C931 to C954 inclusive and dated 13 December 1955:
 - (d) the orders creating Rangatira C1 to C973 inclusive and dated 3 November 1961.
- 2 The order made pursuant to section 173 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 creating Rangatira C2 and dated 18 April 1967.

**Orders of the Maori Appellate Court dated
15 June 1962 cancelled**

- 3 The order made under section 184 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 cancelling the title orders specified in clause 1(c).
- 4 The order made under section 184 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 cancelling the title orders specified in clause 1(d).
- 5 The order made under section 435 of the Maori Affairs Act 1953 amalgamating the titles to the land described secondly and thirdly in Schedule 4 and the land now known as Rangatira C1 into 1 title being Rangatira C.

**Orders made pursuant to section 184 of the
Maori Affairs Act 1953 cancelled**

- 6 The orders of the Maori Land Court dated 8 March 1961 and cancelling the title orders specified in clause 1(a).
- 7 The orders of the Maori Land Court dated 3 November 1961 and cancelling the title orders specified in clause 1(c).

Orders made pursuant to section 415 of the
Maori Affairs Act 1953 cancelled

- 8 All orders made by the Maori Land Court on or after
14 November 1955 and creating roadways over the land
described in Schedule 4.
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Schedule 3
Trust orders of the Maori Land Court
cancelled

s 20(3)

- 1 The orders which are dated 8 March 1961 and which vested in John Harvey, Retired Judge; Cyril Fitzsimmons, contractor; and Roger Kusabs, saw doctor; the following parcels of land:
 - Rangatira B622A to B622D inclusive
 - Rangatira B616
 - Rangatira B619A to H inclusive
 - Rangatira B619J to Q inclusive
 - Rangatira B186
 - Rangatira B623.
 - 2 The order which is dated 4 June 1969 and which vested in the New Zealand Insurance Company Limited the land known as Rangatira C2.
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Schedule 4

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Part 1**Paenoa - Te Akau Block**

Approximate description of parcels of land to be vested in the new Maori incorporation known as The Proprietors of Paenoa - Te Akau Block constituted by section 21, being parcels of land that are amalgamated by section 27 and are to be known as the Paenoa - Te Akau Block—

Residue titles	Residue area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 8A8	22	2	16	11/4/06
Rangatira 8A9	33	2	16	11/4/06
Rangatira 8A10C1	1	1	16	25/9/46
Rangatira 8A10C2	14	3	20	25/9/46
Rangatira 8A10D	7	2	16	17/6/30
Rangatira 8A10E	4	0	00	17/6/30
Rangatira 8A10F	6	1	08	17/6/30
Rangatira 8A10G	12	0	00	17/6/30
Rangatira 8A11A	1	3	37	23/3/32
Rangatira 8A11B	3	3	37	23/3/32
Rangatira 8A11C	2	3	34	23/3/32
Rangatira 8A11D	16	1	15	23/3/32
Rangatira 8A12A1	4	0	08	10/2/31
Rangatira 8A12A2A	5	3	15	26/2/32
Rangatira 8A12A2B	10	1	39	26/2/32
Rangatira 8A14A	16	1	15	13/6/30
Rangatira 8A14B1	3	0	13	17/12/36
Rangatira 8A14B2	3	0	13	17/12/36
Rangatira 8A14B3	3	0	13	17/12/36
Rangatira 8A14B4	6	2	18	17/12/36
Rangatira 8A14B5A	0	1	16	21/9/49
Rangatira 8A14B5B	4	1	29	21/9/49

Part 1—*continued*

Other titles	Area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 8A10B1A	0	3	28	18/3/47
Rangatira 8A10B1B	0	1	00	18/3/47
Rangatira 8A10B1C	2	2	27	18/3/47
Rangatira 8A10B2	2	1	09	15/1/41

Part 2

Rangatira Point Block

Approximate description of parcels of land to be vested in the new Maori incorporation known as The Proprietors of Rangatira Point Block constituted by section 21, being parcels of land that are amalgamated by section 27 and are to be known as the Rangatira Point Block—

Residue title	Residue area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 8B2B1	124	0	05	4/8/37

Other titles	Area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 8B2A1	9	0	00	20/6/40
Rangatira 8B2A2	14	1	16	20/6/40
Rangatira 8B2A3	14	1	16	20/6/40
Rangatira 8B2A4	22	2	08	20/6/40
Rangatira 8B2A5	14	1	16	20/6/40
Rangatira 8B2B2	20	1	20	4/8/37
Rangatira 8B2C	62	0	21	25/1/19

Part 3

Hiruharama-Ponui Block

Approximate description of parcels of land to be vested in the new Maori incorporation known as The Proprietors of Hiruharama-Ponui

Part 3—*continued*

Block constituted by section 21, being parcels of land that are amalgamated by section 27 and are to be known as the Hiruharama-Ponui Block.

Residue titles	Residue area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 8B2B1	2	0	0	4/8/37
Rangatira 8B2G2	130	0	05	27/2/32
Rangatira 1A1A2	1	2	04	11/2/31
Rangatira 1A1B1	2	0	08	11/2/31
Rangatira 1A2	3	2	39	14/1/16
Rangatira 1A3A	1	3	00	27/8/35

Other titles	Area			Date of partition order
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Roods</i>	<i>Perches</i>	
Rangatira 1A1B2C	0	0	34	17/3/55
Rangatira 1A1B2F	3	0	23.1	17/3/55
Rangatira 1A3B	4	2	01	27/8/35
Rangatira 1B	25	0	00	10/3/14
Rangatira 1C1	4	0	00	10/3/14
Rangatira 1C2	21	0	00	10/3/14
Rangatira 1D1	1	0	00	2/2/39
Rangatira 1D2	24	0	00	2/2/39
Rangatira 8B2D	92	2	24	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2E	80	2	21	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2F	60	1	24	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2G1	86	1	00	27/2/32
Rangatira 8B2H	34	3	08	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2I	57	1	24	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2J	131	0	32	25/1/19
Rangatira 8B2K	86	0	16	25/1/19

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Notes

1 *General*

This is a reprint of the Maori Purposes Act 1975. The reprint incorporates all the amendments to the Act as at 24 April 1996, as specified in the list of amendments at the end of these notes. Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions that cannot be compiled in the reprint are also included, after the principal enactment, in chronological order. For more information, *see* <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/reprints/>.

2 *Status of reprints*

Under section 16D of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by the amendments to that enactment. This presumption applies even though editorial changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in the reprint.

This presumption may be rebutted by producing the official volumes of statutes or statutory regulations in which the principal enactment and its amendments are contained.

3 *How reprints are prepared*

A number of editorial conventions are followed in the preparation of reprints. For example, the enacting words are not included in Acts, and provisions that are repealed or revoked are omitted.

For a detailed list of the editorial conventions, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/> or Part 8 of the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations and Deemed Regulations in Force*.

4 Changes made under section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989

Section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 authorises the making of editorial changes in a reprint as set out in sections 17D and 17E of that Act so that, to the extent permitted, the format and style of the reprinted enactment is consistent with current legislative drafting practice. Changes that would alter the effect of the legislation are not permitted. A new format of legislation was introduced on 1 January 2000. Changes to legislative drafting style have also been made since 1997, and are ongoing. To the extent permitted by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, all legislation reprinted after 1 January 2000 is in the new format for legislation and reflects current drafting practice at the time of the reprint.

In outline, the editorial changes made in reprints under the authority of section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 are set out below, and they have been applied, where relevant, in the preparation of this reprint:

- omission of unnecessary referential words (such as “of this section” and “of this Act”)
- typeface and type size (Times Roman, generally in 11.5 point)
- layout of provisions, including:
 - indentation
 - position of section headings (eg, the number and heading now appear above the section)
- format of definitions (eg, the defined term now appears in bold type, without quotation marks)
- format of dates (eg, a date formerly expressed as “the 1st day of January 1999” is now expressed as “1 January 1999”)

- position of the date of assent (it now appears on the front page of each Act)
- punctuation (eg, colons are not used after definitions)
- Parts numbered with roman numerals are replaced with arabic numerals, and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- case and appearance of letters and words, including:
 - format of headings (eg, headings where each word formerly appeared with an initial capital letter followed by small capital letters are amended so that the heading appears in bold, with only the first word (and any proper nouns) appearing with an initial capital letter)
 - small capital letters in section and subsection references are now capital letters
- schedules are renumbered (eg, Schedule 1 replaces First Schedule), and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- running heads (the information that appears at the top of each page)
- format of two-column schedules of consequential amendments, and schedules of repeals (eg, they are rearranged into alphabetical order, rather than chronological).

5 *List of amendments incorporated in this reprint
(most recent first)*

Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu Act 1996 (1996 No 1 (P)): section 34(1)

Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 (1993 No 4): section 362(2)

Ministry of Maori Development Act 1991 (1991 No 145): section 9(3)

Judicature Amendment Act 1979 (1979 No 124): section 12
