



*Kia ora – Welcome to New Zealand
– we hope you enjoy your stay.*

Driving on New Zealand roads can require extra care as extremes of weather and terrain often make driving hazardous. Please take care.

- Drive on the left and give way to the right.
- Speed limits in New Zealand are rigorously enforced.
- Carry your driver licence at all times when driving – you may be required to produce it.
- Fixed and mobile speed cameras operate throughout the country.
- The maximum open road speed for vehicles over 3,500 kg is 90kmph (this includes some campervans).
- All vehicle occupants must wear a safety belt or approved child restraint at all times.
- Cycle helmets are compulsory.
- Give way to the right and indicate when entering and leaving roundabouts.
- New Zealand Police actively discourages drinking and driving with mobile breath testing operations in most areas.
- If you are stopped in a random breath test operation, you are required by law to comply. You are also required to give your name, address and produce your driver licence.
- The penalties for drink-driving are severe and your vehicle could be impounded in certain circumstances.

Liquor Bans

Most cities in New Zealand operate a total liquor ban in the central city and some suburban areas. It is an offence to carry alcohol containers or to drink alcohol within a designated Liquor Ban area. Look for the signs and ask if you are unsure.

Check local council web sites for full details of Liquor Bans and designated parking.

Auckland City Council	www.Aucklandcity.govt.nz
Wellington City Council	www.wellington.govt.nz
Christchurch City Council	www.ccc.govt.nz

New Zealand crime rates are lower than many other countries but you can help yourself with a few simple crime prevention guidelines.

- Keep copies of all your important documents.
- Store your valuables with your host or in your hotel safe.
- Keep your vehicles locked and your possessions out of sight.
- Lock your accommodation and keep windows secure.
- Avoid walking alone in deserted or central city streets late at night.
- Always attempt to park your campervan in a special, designated area.

The Emergency Telephone Number in New Zealand is 111.
This is a free call.

There are centrally located Police Stations in all main towns and cities in New Zealand and in some rural areas. The Police Station location and telephone number will be listed in the phone book.

www.police.govt.nz

