

Regulatory Initiatives Calendar Q1 2023

Regulator	Sector	Subject	Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	H1 2024	H2 2024	H1 2025	H2 2025	
							No fly zone 18 Dec – 19 Jan				
Formal Consultations											
RBNZ	All firms	Issues related to cryptocurrencies as forms of money (<i>risks and opportunities to NZ from private innovation Issues paper: seeking broad stakeholder input including from regulated firms should they wish to input</i>)		Closes 3 Apr 23							
RBNZ		Guidance on managing climate risks (<i>seeking views on draft guidance on good practice incorporating climate risks into an entities risk management framework</i>)	Issue Mar 23	Closes May 23							
FMA		The renewal of an existing class exemption for dual-language product disclosure statements (PDSs) in Te Reo Māori and English	Iss. Jan 23 Closes 1 Mar 23								
FMA		Climate-related disclosures guidance for record-keeping (<i>guidance on the climate record keeping duties in Part 7A FMC Act and proposed regulations</i>)			Est. Jun 23	Est. Jul 23					
FMA		New Standard Condition for business continuity and technology systems for some Part 6 FMC Act licences to ensure more consistency across licensed entities (<i>crowdfunding, derivatives issuers, DIMS, MIS, peer-to-peer, licensed independent trustees</i>)			Est. issue Apr-May 23 Est. closes Jun 23						
RBNZ	Banks & NBDTs	Liquidity policy (BS13) – policy review, second consultation (<i>potential adoption of Basel metrics, proportionate liquidity requirements, eligibility criteria for liquid assets</i>)	Issue 9 Feb 23	Closes 12 May 23							
RBNZ		Proportionality approach for deposit takers (<i>framework for applying standards to deposit takers</i>)			Est. issue Q3 2023						
RBNZ		DTA: DCS issues paper (<i>covering key issues for implementation</i>)			Est. issue May-Jun 23						
Treasury		DTA: Draft Statement of Funding Approach (<i>alongside RBNZ DCS issue paper</i>)			CP 1: est. issue May-Jun 23		CP 2: est. issue Nov-Dec 23				
RBNZ		DTA: Standards – 2 rounds of consultation (<i>consultation for core standards requiring new policy e.g. capital requirements for small deposit takers</i>)				Est. issue Jun-Oct 23				Est. issue Oct 24-Feb25	
RBNZ		DTA: Standards – 2 rounds of consultation (<i>consultation process for non-core standards requiring new policy e.g. governance standard</i>)				Est. issue Nov23-Mar24				Est. issue Feb-Jun25	
RBNZ		DTA: Standards – 1 round of consultation (<i>streamlined process for core standards not requiring policy change e.g. capital for large deposit takers</i>)							Est. issue Oct 24-Feb25		
RBNZ		DTA: Standards – 1 round of consultation (<i>streamlined process for non-core standards not requiring policy change e.g. outsourcing requirements</i>)								Est. issue Feb-Jun25	



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RBNZ	Banks	Exposure draft for Connected Exposures	<i>Closes 8 Mar 23</i>							
RBNZ		Exposure draft consultation about mutual capital instruments for mutually owned banks	<i>Closes 31 Mar 23</i>							
RBNZ		Operational framework for the countercyclical capital buffers		<i>In 2023 - timing to be confirmed</i>						
RBNZ		Operational risk (<i>consultation about revised standardised approach to operational risk (BPR150)</i>)		<i>In 2023 - timing to be confirmed</i>						
RBNZ		Technical changes to risk weights (<i>closed on 30 Nov for Business Growth fund, 28 Feb for all other proposals</i>)	<i>Closed 28 Feb 23</i>							
RBNZ	Insurers	IPSA review – key officers, governance and disclosure	<i>Closed 21 Feb 23</i>							
RBNZ		IPSA review – omnibus consultation (<i>setting out a full set of proposals for amending IPSA</i>)			<i>Est. issue Jul 23</i>					
RBNZ		IPSA Amendment Bill exposure draft						<i>Est. issue H2 2024</i>		
RBNZ		Insurance solvency review – solvency capital			<i>Issue Jun 23</i>	<i>Closes Aug 23</i>				
RBNZ		Insurance solvency review – capital requirements					<i>Jan-Mar 24</i>			
RBNZ		Insurance solvency review – reporting						<i>Jun -Aug 24</i>		
RBNZ		Insurance solvency review – exposure draft of final standard							<i>Jan-Mar25</i>	
RBNZ	Banks, NBDTs and Insurers	Cyber data collection plan (<i>cyber data collection proposals relating to cyber incidents and cyber capabilities</i>)	<i>Est. Mar 23</i>							
FMA		Intermediated distribution guidance under the Financial Markets (Conduct of Institutions) Amendment Bill (<i>feedback on draft guidance on FMA's expectations when financial institutions distribute products and services through intermediaries</i>)	<i>Issued 20 Feb 23</i>	<i>Closes 14 Apr 23</i>						
FMA	Managed investment schemes (MIS) / Kiwisaver providers	Liquidity Risk Management guidance (<i>feedback on draft guidance on FMA's expectations for liquidity risk management for MIS</i>)		<i>Est. May 23</i>						
FMA		Proposed renewal of the Financial Markets Conduct (Market Index) Exemption Notice 2018 (<i>whether to renew the existing Financial Markets Conduct (Market Index) Exemption Notice 2018, which is due to expire in July 2023</i>)	<i>2-30 Mar 23</i>							
FMA		Consultation on a proposed new class exemption for managed investment schemes in wind-up from certain financial reporting requirements				<i>Est. Jul-Sep 23</i>				
FMA	Supervisors	Liquidity Risk Management guidance for managed funds (<i>feedback on draft guidance on FMA's expectations for liquidity risk management for MIS</i>)		<i>Est. May 23</i>						



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MBIE		Exposure draft Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance (Buy Now Pay Later) Amendment Regulations 2022 (regulations to apply the CCCFA to BNPL)	<i>closed 24 Feb 2023</i>							
FMA	Foreign exempt listed issuers	Possible class exemption relief from climate reporting duties (Part7A FMC Act)	<i>Est. Mar 23</i>							
MBIE	Climate reporting entities, auditors, other assurance practitioners	Developing licensing regime for assurance practitioners and expanding scope of assurance	<i>Closed 10 Feb 23</i>							
MBIE	Climate reporting entities	Exposure draft of regulations under the Financial Sector (Climate-related Disclosures and other Matters) Amendment Act 2021 (implementing the mandatory climate-related financial disclosures regime)		<i>Est. issue Q2 2023</i>						
MBIE		Fees to file climate statements	<i>Issue Jan 23 Closes 6 Mar 23</i>							
MFE	All firms involved in carbon markets	Market governance of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (to understand the impact of regulating the market for NZ Emissions Trading Units (NZU's) using financial frameworks that are already in place. Seeking feedback on the impact of treating NZU's as financial products, the leveraging of existing financial market legislation, and on alternative market governance proposals considered as part of the policy design phase).	<i>closed 27 Feb 23</i>							

Engagement

RBNZ	Banks	Interim arrangements for Open Bank Resolution and Depositor Compensation Scheme	<i>bilats</i>							
RBNZ	Cash system operators	Cash system redesign (opportunity to participate/input to the design of Cash system redesign regional experiments)	<i>ongoing</i>							
RBNZ		Other stewardship and related workstreams – CBDC, crypto-assets etc (ad hoc and new ongoing data collections from some participants)	<i>ongoing</i>							
Commerce Commission	Retail Payment Network Participants	Retail payment system competition and efficiency monitoring	<i>ongoing</i>							
Commerce Commission		Supporting merchants to appropriately surcharge where they choose to	<i>ongoing</i>							



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Commerce Commission	Visa & Mastercard network participants	Compliance with the interchange fee regulation	ongoing								
FMA	All firms	Engagement on fair outcomes		workshops est. Apr-May 23							
RBNZ	Insurers	Solvency review – Quantitative impact assessment (to accompany exposure draft of final standard)							H1 2025		

Implementation

RBNZ	Banks	Macroprudential DTI tool (changes involve: system/technology, front line management, governance and risk management, non-system and technology)			Apr 23 to Mar 24					
RBNZ		BS11 Outsourcing Policy			Sep-23					
RBNZ		BS8, Risk Weights and Mutuals			Est. Jul 23					
RBNZ		Capital Review: Dual reporting comes into effect					Q1 2024			
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: D-SIB buffer increases from 1% to 2%			1-Jul-23					
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Minimum Tier 1 capital requirement increases from 6% to 7%						1-Jul-24		
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Minimum Total capital requirement increases from 8% to 9%						1-Jul-24		
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Conservation buffer increases from 2.5% to 3.5%								1-Jul-25
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Conservation buffer increases from 3.5% to 4.5% (1 July 2026)								
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Conservation buffer increases from 4.5% to 5.5% (1 July 2027)								
RBNZ		Capital Buffers: Countercyclical capital buffer set at 1.5% (1 July 2028)								
RBNZ		Non-qualifying AT1 and Tier 2 instruments fully derecognised (1 July 2028)								
RBNZ		Insurers	Updates to licence conditions and statutory notices (changes involve: minor changes in attestations & updates to compliance monitoring)							
RBNZ	Updates to data reporting – accounting, solvency & other changes (changes involve: minor changes to sign-offs for new reporting & minor changes to processes may be needed)									
RBNZ	Interim solvency standard		1-Jan-23							



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Commerce Commission	Consumer Credit Providers	Annual Return Obligation (<i>systems need to be in place by this date that enable data to be collected</i>)		Apr-23						
Commerce Commission	All firms	Commerce Act prohibition against misuse of substantial market power (section 36) comes into force		5-Apr-23						
Inland Revenue	Payment Service Providers	Information Sharing (<i>IT resource required to collate data and produce reports</i>)		First reporting period 1 Apr – 30 Sep 23		First dataset due 7 Nov				
RBNZ	Banks & NBDTs	DTA: Standards (<i>full process for core standards – capital for small deposit takers, disclosure for small deposit takers, capital market risk for large deposit takers, liquidity, depositor compensation and glossary</i>)							Est. Q2 2025	
RBNZ		DTA: Standards Issuance (<i>full process for non-core standards – Business continuity, Significant transactions and Large acquisitions, Governance incl fit and proper, audit/internal assurance, conflicts of interest</i>)								Est. Q4 2025
RBNZ		DTA: Standards Issuance (<i>streamlined process for core standards – Capital for large deposit takers, Disclosure for large deposit takers</i>)							Est. Q2 2025	
RBNZ		DTA: Standards Issuance (<i>streamlined process for non-core standards – Connected exposures, Outsourcing, Covered bonds, Lending, Branch, Other restrictions and prohibitions</i>)								Est. Q4 2025
RBNZ		DTA: Depositor Compensation Scheme (<i>SCV file will not be required until 2026</i>)							H2 2024	
FMA	Banks, Insurers & NBDTs	Financial institution licence applications open for submission (CoFI)			Jul-23					
FMA		CoFI regime will come into force							Early 2025	
RBNZ	Financial Market Infrastructures	Designation notices and overseas equivalence assessments (<i>rollover designation notices, domestic FMI's and overseas equivalence assessments</i>)				Aug/Sep23 – Feb/Mar 24				
RBNZ & FMA		FMI standards and guidance (<i>new regulatory framework for operators of FMI's – including proposed standards and guidance</i>)		mid 2023 – est. issuance of standards				H1 2024 est. commencement of most standards		



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Compliance monitoring and thematic review

RBNZ & FMA	All firms	Governance thematic review – phase 2 onsite visits / review and analysis / feedback letters and thematic report	<i>review and analysis</i>			<i>Est. thematic report to be published by 31 Jul 23</i>		<i>firm follow-up</i>		
Commerce Commission	Retail Payment Network Participants	Compliance monitoring of the interchange fee regulation (information request for compliance purposes and bilaterals)	●-----●							
Commerce Commission		Retail payment system monitoring				●-----● Q4 23 – Q2 24				

Stress Testing

RBNZ		Climate change sensitivities (largest banks)	<i>analysis of submissions</i>	<i>publication of results</i>						
RBNZ		2023 ICAAP stress test review – light touch exercise with timings at bank's discretion (13 banks)								
RBNZ		2023 Liquidity stress test (13 banks)		<i>instructions to banks</i>	<i>modelling and submissions</i>					
RBNZ		Climate change scenario stress test (5 largest banks)	<i>scenario design, instructions and templates</i>	<i>bank modelling and submissions</i>		<i>RBNZ review, analysis and publication</i>				
RBNZ		2024 & 2025 solvency & liquidity stress tests							Q3	Q3
RBNZ	Insurers	2022 Life/Health Insurance stress test	<i>RBNZ analysis and publication</i>							
RBNZ		2023 General insurance stress test			<i>scenario design</i>	<i>modelling and submission</i>	<i>RBNZ analysis & publication</i>			
RBNZ		2024 Life/Health Insurance stress test							Q1	
RBNZ		2025 General insurance stress test								Q3



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Policy Reviews

RBNZ	Banks	Review of policy for branches of overseas banks			Final decisions H2 2023					
RBNZ		Connected exposures policy / large exposures survey review			Est. Jul 23					
MBIE	KiwiSaver Providers	KiwiSaver enhancement review (no estimated timeline at this time)								
MBIE	Banks & NBDTs	Reviewing Credit Contracts & Consumer Finance (<i>Exemption for Emergency Relief</i>) Amendment Regulations 2023		Reporting to Cabinet by 31 July						
RBNZ		DTA: Standards issuance (<i>for core standards requiring new policy e.g. capital requirements for small deposit takers</i>)							Est. Q2 2025	
RBNZ		DTA: Standards issuance (<i>for non-core standards requiring new policy e.g. governance standard</i>)								Est. Q4 2025
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RBNZ		DTA: Standards issuance (<i>for non-core standards not requiring policy change e.g. outsourcing requirements</i>)								Est. Q4 2025
Treasury		DTA: DCS Issue final Statement of Funding Approach						Est. H1 2024		
RBNZ	Banks, NBDTs and Insurers	Enforcement framework (<i>enforcement and investigation guidelines to be published, to support existing guidelines on enforcement principles and criteria</i>)	Feb-23							

Legislation (Note: all timings are estimates and subject to change)

Treasury	Insurers	Natural Hazards Insurance Bill	3rd reading and Royal assent							
RBNZ & Treasury	Banks & NBDTs	Deposit Takers Bill	Select Committee	2nd & 3rd readings	Royal assent					
MBIE	All Firms	Consumer data right		Est. Exposure Draft						
MBIE		Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 (<i>secondary legislation amendment to the Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act following implementation review</i>)	Order in Council							
MBIE		Regulations under the Financial Service Providers (Registration and Dispute Resolution) Act 2008 (<i>to set consistent rules for approved financial dispute resolution schemes</i>)		Order in Council						



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MBIE	Insurers	Insurance Contracts Bill			<i>Est.1st Reading</i>					
RBNZ		IPSA Amendment Bill							<i>Est. 1st Reading</i>	
RBNZ		Final Solvency Standard							<i>Issue H1 2025</i>	
RBNZ	Financial Market Infrastructures	Financial Market Infrastructures Act			<i>Est. Commencement Order</i>					
MoJ	All firms	AML/CFT Regulations (amendments and new)		<i>Exposure draft consultation</i>	<i>Est. Jun 23</i>		<i>Est. Jun 24</i>			
MoJ		AML/CFT 2009 Act amendments						<i>Est. 2024-2025</i>		
MBIE	Banks, Insurers and NBDTS	Regulations under the Financial Markets (Conduct of Institutions) Amendment Act 2022 <i>(to set licensing fee for financial institutions, and to support the operation of the Act including in relation to sales incentives)</i>		<i>Order in Council</i>						