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Weekly Report

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| Week ending: | 27 June 2025 | Priority: | Medium |
| Security classification: | In confidence | Tracking number: | MFR2025-166 |

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| Recipient | Action sought |
| Hon David Seymour MINISTER FOR REGULATION | Note the contents of this report |

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Ministry for Regulation

Minister's comments:

Actions

| Action | Due | Status update |
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| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | |
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Briefings & Aides-mémoire

| Papers delivered to the Minister for Regulation | | Date Delivered |
|---|---------------|----------------|
| MFR2025-153 | s 9(2)(f)(iv) | 25 June |
| MFR2025-172 | s 9(2)(f)(iv) | 25 June |
| MFR2025-173 | s 9(2)(f)(iv) | 26 June |

| Papers delivered to the Office of the Minister for Regulation | | Date Delivered |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| MFR2025-171 | Industrial Hemp Update – 25 June 2025 | 26 June |
| MFR2025-168 | s 9(2)(f)(iv) | 27 June |

| Papers under development | | Due date |
|--------------------------|---|----------|
| MFR2025-154 | s 9(2)(f)(iv) | 4 July |
| MFR2025-147 | July update on the Telecommunications Regulatory Review | 10 July |
| MFR2025-163 | Responses to post-hearing questions: Estimates 2025/26 | 17 July |

Announcements & Engagements

Ministerial activity

| Date | Location | Details | Opportunity |
|--------------|------------|---|---|
| TBC – July | Wellington | Announcement of next sector reviews | Ministerial PR MfR website and LinkedIn |
| 5 August | Auckland | Ministerial visit | MfR will work with your office to identify suitable visit opportunities in the area |
| TBC – August | Wellington | Update on telecommunications review – public engagement through online platform | Ministerial PR MfR website and LinkedIn MfR key stakeholders' email |

Ministry for Regulation activity

| Date | Details |
|------------|--|
| 26 June | Deputy Chief Executive Policy – one year update on the Ministry for Regulation to ILANZ/Bell Gully GC forum (Wellington) |
| 19-30 June | Telecommunications stakeholder direct engagement |
| 7 July | Telecommunications monthly update email |

Contact: Joe Stockman, Head of Engagement | s 9(2)(a)

Updates

Regulatory Standards Bill

For information

Public submissions to the Finance and Expenditure Committee on the Regulatory Standards Bill closed on 23 June. s 18(c)(ii)

We made ourselves available to appear before the Committee on 25 June but were not requested to appear.

Contact: Gwen Rashbrooke, Manager Regulatory Policy Design | s 9(2)(a)

Telecommunications Review

For information

Since engagement began on 16 June, we have met with twelve key stakeholders. Stakeholders have been highly engaged, with some stakeholders providing supplementary information. Engagement meetings are ongoing through to 30 June.

You and Minister Goldsmith will receive a report summarising the key themes from engagement on 10 July.

Contact: Peter Clark, Manager, Regulatory Reviews | s 9(2)(a)

Hairdressing and Barbering Regulatory Review

For information

The public health guidance is now back with the Ministry of Health to go through their sign out processes with a few outstanding items with sector experts to review and confirm the appropriate approach.

The Health (Hairdressing) Regulations 1980 revocation paper was considered by the Cabinet Legislative Committee on Thursday 26 June.

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Industrial Hemp

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Future Reviews

For information

The revised timeline for the Future Reviews cabinet paper is detailed below.

| Date | Action |
|------------------|--|
| Friday 4 July | Ministerial and coalition consultation concludes |
| Monday 7 July | Ministry makes changes based on consultation |
| Tuesday 8 July | Final paper provided to you for approval |
| Thursday 10 July | Cabinet paper lodged |
| Tuesday 15 July | Cabinet paper discussed at committee |
| Monday 21 July | Cabinet consideration |

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Regulatory Response Team / Red Tape Portal

For information

The Ministry has received a total of 794 submissions to date. We currently have 37 investigations underway, investigating issues relating to 85 public submissions and 8 direct commissions from your office. We have closed 581 submissions. The latest RRT report was provided to your office on 24 June 2025 (MFR2025-169).

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We are awaiting further direction from your office on the issues detailed below:

| Title | Source | Date advice sent | Action awaited |
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| DIA's Digital Identity programme of work RRT2024-0455,0495,0507 MFR2025-096 | Public submission | 15 April 2025 | Response from Minister Collins & decision on next steps/engagement opportunities |
| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | | |
| Scaffolding regulation RRT2024-0532 MFR2025-068 | Public submission | 28 March 2025 | Decision on next steps pending discussions with Minister van Velden's office |
| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | | |
| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | | |

We are actively working on the issues detailed below. This is not a full view of all investigative work happening, only those that we will be providing you or your office with advice on shortly:

| Title | Source | Investigation stage |
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| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | |
| Playground equipment standards RRT2025-0714 | A direct commission from your office | Preparing briefing |
| Lead-free product requirements for plumbers RRT2025-0697 | A direct commission from your office | Investigating |
| s 9(2)(f)(iv) | | |
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