

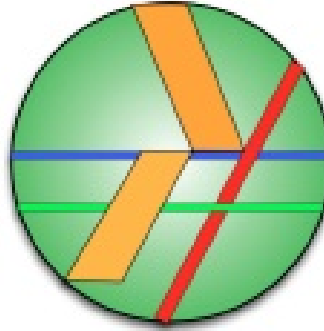
How the Code Affects Your Business

- Compliance with the Code is mandatory
- Provides the processes for Utilities Operators and Corridor Managers to exercise and manage their rights and responsibilities for work in the transport corridors
- It sets out reasonable conditions of access and statutory time-frames
- Sets out dispute resolution process

Key Objectives of NZUAG

- Sharing forward work plans and information
- Working towards a balance of interests
- Maintaining integrity of transport corridor and utility assets
- Ensuring safety and efficiency
- Eliminating, isolating or minimising road safety hazards
- Encouraging sharing of trenches and poles
- Encouraging new technology approaches

The NZUAG is keen to have all relevant parties involved in its work and show their commitment to the Code and the outcomes it seeks to deliver for the benefit of all New Zealanders.



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benefit all road users and communities”*



Who Are We?

The New Zealand Utilities Advisory Group (NZUAG) Inc. is a not-for-profit, joint consultative group of road and rail owners and utility operators working together to create outcomes to benefit all road users and communities. The NZUAG is the guardian of The National Code of Practice for Utility Operators' Access to Transport Corridors (the Code), under the industry governance model preferred by Government.

Through its Board, NZUAG is responsible for the administration and effective implementation of the Code.

NZUAG provides information and support on issues relating to utility operators' access to the road and rail corridors, including access to the Code, assistance on its interpretation, education and awareness, downloadable resources, news and events.

The Code

The National Code of Practice for Utility Operators' Access to Transport Corridors (the Code) is a mandatory regulation under the Utilities Access Act 2010.

The Code applies to the activities of all road and rail corridor managers and utility operators throughout New Zealand. The Code regulates the management of Utility Operators' access to the transport corridors and recognizes that the ability of utilities to get in and out of the corridor as efficiently as possible to install, maintain and upgrade network infrastructure is critical to New Zealand's economy and community quality of life.

Becoming a Member of NZUAG

NZUAG has two types of membership: Full and Associate. The full membership is divided into the two categories: Corridor Managers and Utility Operators.

The Corridor Manager category comprises three sectors – the national rail corridor, central government road corridors and local government road corridors. The Utility Operator category comprises electricity, gas, telecommunications and water services sectors.

Only organisations which are either corridor managers or utility operators or the recognised associations representing practitioners' interests may become full members.

All other organisations and any interested individuals may become associate members.

Membership Costs

Full Membership: \$2,000 pa + GST

Associate Membership: \$500 pa + GST

Entitlements of all members

- The right to make nominations for sub-committees
- The right to attend Board meetings
- Receipt of *NZUAG News*, sent out quarterly following each Board meeting

Additional entitlements to Full members:

- Having the opportunity for their staff or Board members to be appointed to the NZUAG Board as a sector representative
- Voting rights at General meetings, whether AGM or Special General Meetings
- The right to call a Special General Meeting

NZUAG membership demonstrates an organisations commitment to the work of NZUAG and support for the National Code of Practice.