

2023-24 Annual Budget & Meeting Schedule

Key:

	Public Holiday
	NZ Council Meeting
	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting
	GBHT Board Meeting
	Governors Forum (Regional Chairs & NZC)

Year: 2023			
Month	Date	Meeting/Activity	Location
September	Friday 1 Sep	Fish & Game New Financial Year	
	Friday 22 Sep	GBHT Board Meeting <i>(Including Saturday field trip)</i>	Hawke's Bay
	Saturday 23 Sep		
October	Sunday 1 Oct	Sports Fishing Opening	
	Monday 23 Oct	Labour Day	
November	Wednesday 1 Nov	High Country Sports Fishing Opening	Otago & Southland
	Thursday 2 Nov	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting <i>(Feed into 24 & 25 Nov NZC Meeting)</i>	Online
	Saturday 4 Nov	High Country Sport Fishing Opening	Nth Canterbury & CSI
	Friday 24 Nov Saturday 25 Nov	NZ Council Meeting (Held over 2 days) <i>(Set 2024/25 Strategic Priorities)</i>	Wellington
December	Thursday 14 Dec	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting (TBC)	Online
	Friday 22 Dec	All Variance Reports & Reserves Schedules Submitted to CFO	
	Monday 25 Dec	Christmas Day	
	Tuesday 26 Dec	Boxing Day	
	Friday 29 Dec	All Regional Council 2023 Meetings to be complete/held	
Year: 2024			
January	Monday 1 Jan	New Year's Day	
	Tuesday 2 Jan	New Year's Day Observed	
	Friday 26 Jan	Summary of Variance Reports & Reserves Updates <i>(Returned to Managers with queries)</i>	
	Wednesday 31 Jan	Licence Working Party Licence Sales Forecast <i>(Forecast week before 29th report)</i>	
	Wednesday 31 Jan	Regulation Details Due for Game Notice <i>(From all Regional Councils)</i>	
February	Friday 2 Feb	World Wetland Day/Release of 2024 Habitat Stamp	
		Variance Reports Final Circulation to Managers	
		Draft Game Notice Submission to DOC for comment	
	Tuesday 6 Feb	Waitangi Day	
	Thursday 8 Feb	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting	Online
	Friday 9 Feb	Game Regulation Guide Content Due to NZC Office	
	Monday 19 Feb	Game Notice & Submission to MOC & Gazette Office	
	Friday 16 & Sunday 18 Feb	NZ Council Meeting (Held over 2 days) <i>(Includes Licence Forecast)</i>	Wellington
	Saturday 17 Feb	Governors Forum - Regional Chairs & NZC <i>(Planning & Governance)</i>	Wellington
Friday 23 Feb/or following week	Publish Game Notice in NZ Gazette		

Year: 2024			
Month	Date	Meeting/Activity	Location
March	Thursday 14 Mar	Game Bird Hunting Licences on Sale (<i>2nd Thursday</i>)	
	Monday 18 Mar	Game Magazine Released	
	Wednesday 20 Mar	Draft Budgets & Contestable Fund Applications Due	
	Thursday 28 Mar	Staff Development Grant Applications Close	
	Friday 29 Mar	Good Friday	
April	Monday 1 Apr	Easter Monday	
	Sunday 7 Apr	Mark-up/Pegging Day (<i>4 weekends before opening</i>)	
	Friday 12 Apr	Budgets, Budget Summaries & Contestable Fund Applications Circulated	
	Thursday 18 Apr	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting	Wellington
	Friday 19 Apr	NZ Council & Regional Managers/CEs Joint Meeting (am)	Wellington
	Saturday 20 Apr	NZ Council Meeting	Wellington
	Thursday 25 Apr	Anzac Day	
May	Saturday 4 May	Game Bird Season Opening	
	Thursday 23 May	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting (<i>Feed into 18 & 19 June NZC Meeting</i>)	Online
	Friday 31 May	Regional responses to Licence Fee proposals, Anglers Notice & SFLFFN backcountry/sea run salmon Due to NZC Office	
June	Monday 3 June	King's Birthday	
	Tuesday 18 June Wednesday 19 June	NZ Council Meeting (Held over 2 half days) (<i>Consider Licence Fee, Anglers Notice & SFLFFN</i>)	Online
	Thursday 20 June	Licence fee, Anglers Notice & SFLFFN submission to MOC	
	Thursday 27 June	GBHT Grant Applications Due	
	Friday 28 June	Matariki	
July	Tuesday 9 July	GBHT Grant Applications Distributed to Board	
	Wednesday 17 July	GBHT Board Meeting (11am)	Online
	Thursday 18 July	Anglers Notice Published in NZ Gazette	
August	Thursday 1 Aug	Regional Managers/CEs Meeting	Online
	Monday 12 Aug	Fish & Game Election Nominations Open	
	Thursday 8 Aug	Sports Fishing Licences on Sale (<i>2nd Thursday in August</i>)	
	Thursday 29 Aug	Fish & Game Election Nominations Close	
	Friday 23 Aug Saturday 24 Aug	NZ Council Meeting (Held over 2 days)	Wellington
	Monday 26 Aug	Fishing Magazine Released	
	Saturday 31 Aug	Fish & Game End of Financial Year	
September	Wednesday 11 Sep	Election Roll Closes	
	Friday 6 Sep Saturday 7 Sep	GBHT Board Meeting (Held over 2 days)	TBC
	Thursday 19 Sep	Fish & Game Election Voting Papers Out	
October	Tuesday 1 Oct	Sports Fishing Opening	
	Tuesday 15 Oct	Election Postal Dates Close	
	Wednesday 30 Oct	Elected Members Take Office	
	Monday 28 Oct	Labour Day	

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	Wednesday 20 Nov	New Regional Councils Last Day to hold Inaugural Meeting <i>(3 weeks after taking office)</i>	
December	Friday 13 & Saturday 14 Dec	NZ Council Meeting (Held over 2 days) <i>(2025/26 Strategy)</i>	Wellington
	Friday 20 Dec	All Variance & Reserves Schedules to CFO	
	Tuesday 31 Dec	All Regional Council 2024 Meetings to be complete/held	