

IS IT ESSENTIAL?

For at least the next four weeks New Zealand is in lockdown to slow and stop the spread of COVID-19. We are helping farmers to do their bit without compromising animal welfare and food production. This is not about trying to maintain 'business as usual'. This is about ensuring the safety of our people and animals. Please follow the Ministry of Health COVID-19 Guidelines if you are requiring any essential service worker to visit your farm during this time.

This flowchart may help focus your thinking when prioritising tasks on farm that require external assistance.





Key services

The types of businesses that will be permitted to operate include (but are not limited to the following):

- Livestock and primary produce transporters
- Veterinary service providers
- Feed/Fodder transporters
- Feed and supplement manufacturers, processors, suppliers and stores
- Manufacturers and distributors of animal medicines
- Pet shops and services
- Animal control
- Workers caring for animals in containment
- Rural contractors who are providing essential services that cannot be deferred over the next four weeks, especially for animal welfare purposes (artificial insemination technicians; stock agents managing and directing stock movements; winter re-grassing for feed; fertiliser supply and application; shearing where necessary for animal welfare)
- Fertiliser manufacture and distribution

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