**NOMINATION FOR A NEW ZEALAND ROYAL HONOUR**

**WHAKAINGOATANGA KIA WHAKAWHIWHI KI TETAHI
TOHU WHAKAMANAWA ROERA O AOTEAROA**

**Please read the accompanying nomination guidelines before completing this form.**

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| Section 1 – Information about the nominator – person making the nomination. |

**Personal details** \* Required details

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| Title \* |  |
| First Name \* |  |
| Middle Names |  |
| Surname \* |  |
| Current Royal Honours |  |
| Relationship to the nominee \* |  |

**Contact details**

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| Street/Apartment No. \* |  | Post Code \* |  |
| Street Name \* |  | Home Phone |  |
| Suburb |  | Mobile Phone |  |
| City/Town \* |  | Email Address |  |

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| Section 2 – Information about the nominee - person you are nominating for a New Zealand Honour. |

**Personal details** \* Required details

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| Title \* |  |
| First Name \* |  |
| Middle Names |  |
| Surname \* |  |
| Date of birth |  | Gender \* **[ ]** Male **[ ]** FemaleAnother gender **[ ]** (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Citizenship |  | Ethnicity(if known) |  |
| Current Royal Honours |  | Crown Appointments |  |

**Contact details**

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| Suburb  |  | Mobile Phone |  |
| City/Town \* |  | Email Address \* |  |
| Section 3 – The nomination details |

Please complete all of the sections below.

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| **1. Describe the service and achievements of the nominee:** |
| **2. Describe the contribution the nominee has made to one or more of the following; their local community, their region, New Zealand as a whole, and/or internationally:** |

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| **3. Describe what makes the nominee’s service and achievements stand out above and beyond that of their peers, or above and beyond what might reasonably be expected as part of their paid employment:** |

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| **4. Describe how the nominee’s service and achievements are regarded by their colleagues, and whether they have been formally recognised by their colleagues or through other awards (e.g. life membership of an organisation, honorary doctorate, etc.):** |

### Positions or offices held by the nominee

Please set out the main positions or offices held by the nominee, and the period of service.

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| Organisation | Position | From (date) | To (date) / current | Paid or voluntary? |
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### Letters of Support

Please obtain **two** or more letters that endorse the nominee’s contribution from people who are familiar with their service and achievements. The letters of support add depth, beyond what has been supplied by the person making the nomination. Please attach the letters of support to this form and list the names of the support persons below.

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| **Name of person or organisation**  | **Tick if letter is attached** |
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| Section 4 – Checklist and Sending Application |

**[ ]** Have you re-checked your nomination and ensured all the compulsory information has been provided?

**[ ]** Have you answered all the questions in section 3?

**[ ]** Are your letters of support enclosed with this nomination?

PLEASE SEND THIS FORM AND ANY ENCLOSURES TO:

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| The Honours UnitCabinet OfficeExecutive Wing L10Parliament BuildingsWellington 6011 |

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| Telephone number: | (04) 830 5011 |
| E-mail: | honours@dpmc.govt.nz |
| Web: | [www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours](http://www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours) |
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**Nominator signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

# New Zealand Royal Honours Nomination Guidelines

This guide is designed to help you nominate (or re-nominate) a person for a New Zealand Royal Honour.

Honours Lists are published at New Year and on the occasion of The King’s Birthday.  Special Lists are published periodically (e.g. for gallantry and bravery awards).

**WHO CAN MAKE A NOMINATION**
Anyone can nominate a person they think is worthy of a New Zealand Royal Honour and anyone can be nominated. The nominator needs to complete a nomination form. Completed nomination forms can be sent to:

The Honours Unit

Cabinet Office
Executive Wing L10
Parliament Buildings
Wellington 6011
Email: honours@dpmc.govt.nz

Once the Honours Unit has received your nomination a short citation on your nominee will be written, based on the information you provide. This will be presented to the [Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee](https://www.dpmc.govt.nz/cabinet-committees/aph-cabinet-appointments-and-honours-committee). This committee is chaired by the Prime Minister, who makes the final decision on who will receive a New Zealand Royal Honour and what level of honour will be awarded.

**COMPLETING THE NOMINATION FORM**
Please complete the [nomination form](https://www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours/make-nomination/nomination-form-and-guide-making) completely and accurately. It is important that you provide as much factual, relevant information as possible about your nominee and the reasons for which recognition is sought.

Describe what is special about your nominee’s achievements and what they have done to deserve a
New Zealand Royal Honour. Tell the story of how they have made a difference in their community or field of work and give an indication of their longevity of service. Show how they have demonstrated innovation or entrepreneurship, improved the lives of others, or exemplified selfless voluntary service.

You may list your nominee’s occupation and positions held in organisations, but be specific about the achievements that make them stand out above and beyond their peers.

Nominations should be made while the nominee is still active and, if possible, at least 12 months before they are expected to retire or stand down.

Support letters add depth to the nomination and validate your nominee’s character and achievements.

You may use additional sheets, but please ensure you include the nominee’s name on each page. Please do *not* send in examples of the nominee’s work such as DVDs, photographs or books.

It is not appropriate to nominate yourself for a New Zealand Royal Honour, and such nominations will not be considered.

**SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION**
Nomination forms are accepted throughout the year, but the processing and consideration of nominations is likely to take at least six months prior to the announcement of an honours list at King's Birthday or New Year. You will receive a letter from the Honours Unit letting you know we have received your nomination, and informing you of the list for which your nominee will be considered.

The Honours Unit will not enter into any further correspondence on your nomination. New Zealand Royal Honours Lists are published at New Year and on The King’s Birthday in June. You will need to check the appropriate honours list at the time of its announcement, in the national media and on the honours website, to see if your nomination has been successful.

If the nomination is successful, nominees are formally asked by the Governor-General, on behalf of The King, whether they accept or decline the proposed honour. Sometimes the reason your nominee does not appear on the list is that they may have declined the honour.

**MAKING ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED**
You should aim to submit nominations in their entirety (completed nomination form, support letters and any other additional documents) when they are ready. Additional information or support letters will not be taken into account for consideration after nominations have closed for an honours list, though new or amended material can be added to the nomination record for completeness. Additional material can be submitted with re-nomination requests for subsequent honours lists, if your nominee is not included on a list when it is announced.

Please advise the Honours Unit if there have been any changes to the nominee’s personal details or any other information supplied on the nomination form. **You must notify the Honours Unit immediately if your nominee dies. It is not possible for a posthumous award to be made (except for Gallantry or Bravery Awards).**

**CONFIDENTIALITY**
The consent of the person being nominated is not required. The nominee should not be informed that they have been nominated, as it is not fair to raise expectations in case they are not met.

All nominations for honours are treated in the strictest confidence. No information regarding the nominee or the details of the nomination is divulged.

**THE NUMBER OF HONOURS AWARDED**
The number of honours available is strictly limited for each list. Not everyone can receive recognition, no matter how worthy their accomplishments. It is important to realise that an honour will not automatically follow a nomination.

**RE-NOMINATING UNSUCCESSFUL NOMINATIONS**
Your nominee may be considered for two honours lists; if they are not successful in either list, you may assume that the nomination has lapsed. In order for your nominee to be reconsidered, you will need to either write to or email the Honours Unit (honours@dpmc.govt.nz) and request the nominee be reconsidered.

All previously sent information and nomination forms are kept on file at the Honours Unit. You do not need to re-submit any nomination forms, information or support letters previously sent.

If your nominee has completed more service worthy of recognition since the time you first nominated them, please inform the Honours Unit so we can update their file. Please inform us if your nominee’s personal information, such as address, has changed.

**NON-NEW ZEALAND CITIZENS**
Non-New Zealanders are eligible for honorary awards.

**NEW ZEALAND BRAVERY AWARDS**
Nominations for New Zealand Royal Bravery Awards are made by completing a Bravery Award nomination form which is available for download from the [New Zealand Bravery Awards](https://www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours/new-zealand-royal-honours-system/components-new-zealand-5) page at [www.dpmc.govt.nz](http://www.dpmc.govt.nz). Special lists for the Bravery Awards are published periodically.

**ENQUIRIES**
Information on the honours system can be found at [www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours](http://www.dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/new-zealand-royal-honours).  If you have any further questions or require guidance in the preparation of the nomination, please contact the Honours Unit:

**Honours Unit**
**Cabinet Office**
**Parliament Buildings**
**Wellington**

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