



Climate Change (Other Removal Activities) Amendment Regulations 2024

Cindy Kiro, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 23rd day of September 2024

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

These regulations are made under sections 163 and 168 of the Climate Change Response Act 2002—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister of Climate Change made after complying with the requirements in sections 3A, 3B, 163(5), and 166 of that Act.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Climate Change (Other Removal Activities) Amendment Regulations 2024.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 January 2025.

3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Climate Change (Other Removal Activities) Regulations 2009.

4 Regulation 17 amended (Threshold for destroying synthetic greenhouse gases)

In regulation 17, delete “other than sulphur hexafluoride imported before 1 January 2013”.

Nicola Purvis,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 1 January 2025, amend the Climate Change (Other Removal Activities) Regulations 2009 (the **principal regulations**).

The amendment addresses a remaining reference to sulphur hexafluoride as a synthetic greenhouse gas. Sulphur hexafluoride has not been defined as such since 1 January 2013, when sulphur hexafluoride was not included in the definition of synthetic greenhouse gas that was inserted into section 4(1) of the Climate Change Response Act 2002.

Regulation 17 of the principal regulations is amended to no longer indicate that sulphur hexafluoride can be included in the activity of destroying synthetic greenhouse gases.

This amendment replaces the previous position in the principal regulations, which was that the destruction of sulphur hexafluoride, as a synthetic greenhouse gas, was permitted if it could be shown that it had been imported after 1 January 2013.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry for the Environment.