



# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Māori Land Court Amendment Rules 2026

**Portfolio**                      **Māori Development**

On 26 March 2026, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1        **noted** that the Māori Land Court Rules Committee (the Committee) has resolved to make minor and technical changes to the Māori Land Court Rules 2011 (the Rules);
- 2        **noted** that section 95 of Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993 requires the concurrence of the Chief Judge of the Māori Land Court, and two or more members of the Committee, to rules regulating the practice and procedure of the Māori Land Court and Māori Appellate Court;
- 3        **noted** the advice of the Minister for Māori Development that this requirement has been met;
- 4        **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Māori Land Court Amendment Rules 2026 [PCO 26299/15.0];
- 5        **noted** that the Māori Land Court Amendment Rules 2026 come into force on 30 April 2026.

Sam Moffett  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon David Seymour  
Rt Hon Winston Peters  
Hon Paul Goldsmith (Chair)  
Hon Judith Collins KC  
Hon Tama Potaka  
Hon Brooke van Velden  
Hon Casey Costello  
Hon James Meager  
Stuart Smith MP  
Todd Stephenson MP  
Jamie Arbuckle MP

**Officials present from:**

Officials Committee for LEG