



## Kauri Gum Industry Act 1908

1908

- Citation:** 8 Edw. VII, No 92  
**Date of Assent:** 4 September, 1908  
**Commencement:** Date of Assent
- Repeal:** Repealed 1953, No 67  
**Amendments:** 1910, No 35.  
1914, No 41: See s2 – General powers of the Minister of Lands with respect to working kauri-gum lands or the purchase and sale of kauri gum.  
1915, No 60.  
1919, No 5.  
1927, No 32.
- Type of Legislation:** Public  
**Subject:** Other Resource Issues  
Govt Admin Specific to Maori/Maori Land
- Relevant Sections:** s2: The Governor may constitute kauri gum districts, set apart kauri gum reserves and authorise local authorities to issue licenses.  
s5: Kauri gum reserves shall be situate in the neighbourhood of a village or settlement and shall be available exclusively for kauri gum digging. No unlicensed person shall be entitled to dig in such a reserve unless a member of the particular settlement or a Maori residing in the district.  
s6: Qualifications of special license holders includes...  
(c) Native of the Maori race.  
s8: Further qualification that license holders of kauri gum reserves, in addition to qualifications of ss6 and 7, are members of the particular settlement or a Maori residing in the district.  
s10: Licenses confer rights to dig for kauri gum and occupy up to 2 acres of unoccupied Crown land within any Kauri Gum district.  
s11: Restrictions on digging for kauri gum...  
– (a) on any unoccupied Crown land or land subject to the NZ State Forests Act 1885 on which live or dead kauri trees are standing  
– (b) on all other land subject to the NZ State Forests Act 1885 or any unoccupied Crown land within one mile of State Forest land between 1 May and 30 Sept every year  
– (c) any kauri gum reserve (except for authorised licensee)  
– (d) any Native land except with consent of owners  
– (e) Privately owned or occupied land except with consent of owners.

*Relevant Sections and Commentary continued over page*



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**Relevant Sections:** *s15:* Prohibition for digging for kauri gum outside nominated districts.  
*s17:* Owner of Native or other land within a kauri gum district may dig without a license.  
*ss18 - 32:* Administration and enforcement of the Act. Rangers etc.

**Commentary:** Part of 1908 Consolidation.

**Cross Reference:** –