



Native Land Rating Act 1924

1924

- Citation:** 15 Geo. V, No 51
Date of Assent: 6 November, 1924
Commencement: Date of Assent
- Repeal:** Repealed 1925, No 30
Amendments: –
Type of Legislation: Public
Subject: Rating
Public/Native/Maori Trustee
Wahi Tapu & Non Tangible Resources
- Relevant Sections:**
- s2:* Terms defined as in Native Land Act 1909.
 - s3:* Save as otherwise provided in this Act, Native land shall be liable for rates as if it were European land.
 - s4:* Special exemptions of Native land from rates...
 - Customary land
 - Native land occupied by a Native burial ground (not over 5 acres)
 - Native land on which a church or meeting house is situated (not over 5 acres).
 - s6:* Where land vested in trustee, trustee to pay rates.
 - s9:* Recovery of rates due in respect of Native land by way of applications for charging orders upon the land.
 - s10:* If charge not paid within one year, land may be vested in Native Trustee for sale.
 - s11:* Person in actual occupation of Native land, whether with or without title, deemed to be occupier for purposes of principal Act.
 - s16:* Discharge of charges on land.
- Commentary:** This Act attempts to solve the problem of outstanding rates owed on Maori land by abolishing the current system of collecting Native rates and setting up a new method. The Act gave the Native Land Court responsibility for collection of rates with power to deal with each individual case before it. For example, rent could be used for the purpose of paying rates, or a portion of the land may be vested in the Native Trustee or the Crown for lease or sale. It sets out special exemptions of Native lands from rates, ie customary land, burial grounds on Native land and churches and Marae on Native land. Maori Freehold land is liable for rates. If rates not paid charging orders may be issued. If charge remains unsatisfied for more than 1 year land may be vested in the Native Trustee for the purposes of sale.
- Cross Reference:** NZPD vol 205 (1924) 460, 1050 - 1062.