THE INTERNATIONAL VISITOR CONSERVATION AND TOURISM LEVY AND ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORITY - UPDATE

There are some changes coming that will affect international travellers to New Zealand. On 1 July, the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) will start to be automatically collected on applicable visa applications (refer below) while later in July, travellers from 60 visa waiver countries will be able to request an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA), for travel taking place from 1 October onwards.

To get you ready for these changes, ETA and IVL awareness information will be available for you over the coming weeks and throughout July. This will include an online piece called ‘ETA and IVL Explained’, and it will cover why we have an ETA, how the ETA will affect international travellers, and who it will impact within INZ. Further modules will follow and these will be available on learn@mbie for everyone across INZ to view so you can get up to speed on what the ETA and the IVL means for international travellers and ongoing border management.

We will be in touch closer to the release date to provide a links to these modules. Visit the ETA Project Page for further information or contact us at nzeta.information@mbie.govt.nz if you have any feedback.

Who will pay the IVL?

NZeTA Travellers and 84 Visitor, student and work visa applicants are required to pay IVL as per the lists below.
Who will not pay the IVL?

There will be some exemptions, most notably Australian passport holders and Pacific Island nation's passport holders. Crew and transit passengers are also exempt, as well as diplomatic, humanitarian and other exemptions to meet international obligations and interests.

**IVL Exempt Nationalities**

- Australia
- American Samoa
- Cook Islands
- Fiji
- Kiribati
- Republic of Marshall Islands
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Nauru
- New Zealand
- Niue
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Pitcairn Islands
- Samoa
- Solomon Islands
- Tonga
- Tokelau
- Tuvalu
- United Nations
- Vanuatu

Note: As with French passport holders, French Polynesian and New Caledonian passport holders will be charged the IVL.

**Visa Type exemptions:**

- Resident and Transit visas.
- Diplomatic, military, medical and humanitarian visas.
- People travelling to Antarctica in under the Antarctic Treaty (including people travelling on the Antarctic Traveller Transit Visa).
- Recognised Seasonal Employment workers.
- Business Visitor Visas (including APEC business travel cards).
- Ship and airline crew.
- Most visas for dependents (partners and children) of work and student visa holders.
- Travellers whose visa requirements have been waived by INZ.