

Land occupiers are responsible for controlling rabbits on their land, as set out in the Regional Pest Management Plan.

We can help you with rabbit control

We provide a free consultation with our rabbit contractor, and give you advice and direction on:

- the best control methods to suit your property
- managing controls within a neighbourhood group of property owners

Book your consultation

This consultation will help you better tailor rabbit control to meet your specific needs – such as crop or stock management, and the size of the rabbit population.

What's happening?

Parts of Hawkes's Bay have had major rabbit problems, mostly attributable to droughts, soil type, land development, pasture fertility, resistance to RHD virus, habitat and farming practices. Rabbit populations vary from location to location but can explode during times of optimum conditions.



The Hawke's Bay Pest Management Plan States:

"Every land occupier shall, from mid-January to mid-August, maintain rabbit populations at or below Level 4 of the McLean Scale over any part of their land. A breach of this rule is an offence under section 154 of the Biosecurity Act 1993."

This means:

This means that land occupiers must keep rabbit populations to a level that doesn't impact on the environment or the production of their land.

For further assistance, contact our Rabbit contractor Rural Pest Services at possumsmasher@windowslive.com for a free onsite consultation. More information is available at https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/environment/pestcontrol/animal-pests/rabbits/

