

Proposed changes between 2020 and 2026 Commodity Levies (Milksolids) Order

Clause Within the 2020 Order where changes are proposed	Commodity Levies (Milksolids) Order 2020	Proposed Change
14	<p>Purposes for which DairyNZ must spend levy money</p> <p>DairyNZ must spend levy money for the following purposes relating to milksolids or dairy farmers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. research and development, including information transfer and farmer technology adoption practices: b. biosecurity activities, including disease control and mitigation: c. providing information to dairy farmers: d. promoting, and advocating on behalf of, the dairy industry: e. developing and supporting dairy industry evaluation systems, data networks, and databases, including publication of relevant indices, statistics, and economic information: f. education and training: g. administration of DairyNZ. 	<p>Purposes for which DairyNZ must spend levy money</p> <p>DairyNZ must spend levy money for the following purposes relating to milksolids or dairy farmers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. research and development, including economic research, analysis and insights b. Information transfer and farmer technology adoption practices: c. biosecurity activities, including disease control and mitigation: d. providing information to dairy farmers and the dairy industry: e. promoting, and advocating on behalf of, the dairy industry: f. developing and supporting dairy industry evaluation systems, data networks, and databases, including publication of relevant indices, statistics, and economic information: g. education and training: h. administration of DairyNZ and its subsidiaries i. communication to dairy farmers and the dairy industry in respect of the above.

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Consulting on how levy money spent

1. Each levy year, DairyNZ must consult dairy farmers on how it proposes to spend levy money.
2. Prior to its annual general meeting, DairyNZ must distribute to dairy farmers the audited financial accounts for the levy in the previous levy year and the expenditure plan for the next levy year.
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1. Each levy year, DairyNZ must consult dairy farmers on how it proposes to spend levy money in accordance with its Rules.
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Collection agents must make returns to DairyNZ

1. Collection agents must provide a completed return to DairyNZ when paying the levy.
2. The return must be in the form approved by DairyNZ.
3. The return must be made monthly.
4. The return must include, for each dairy farmer from whom the collection agent bought milksolids, –
 - a. the amount received for that month; and
 - b. the dairy farmer's name, contact details (including address, phone number, and email address), and unique supplier and party number; and
 - c. the month that the agent received the milksolids.
5. However, DairyNZ may request in writing from a collection agent any information that it may reasonably require to calculate and spend the levy.
6. As soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving a request under subclause 5, a collection agent must supply DairyNZ with a written return containing the information requested.

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 - c. the month that the agent received the milksolids.
5. However, DairyNZ may request in writing from a collection agent any information that it may reasonably require to calculate and spend the levy.
6. As soon as is reasonably practicable, but no later than two months, after receiving a request under subclause 5, a collection agent must supply DairyNZ with a written return containing the information requested.

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Confidentiality of information

1. This clause applies to information obtained –
 - a. under or because of this order; or
 - b. under the Act in relation to this order.
2. A person must not disclose information to anyone other than an officer or employee of DairyNZ unless the disclosure is –
 - a. the giving of evidence in any legal proceedings taken in relation to this order or under or in relation to the Act; or
 - b. required by law; or
 - c. the production of records or accounts under section 17(1) of the Act; or
 - d. the production of any statement under section 25 of the Act; or
 - e. the disclosure is allowed by subclause 3.
3. DairyNZ, a DairyNZ subsidiary, or a collection agent may disclose information –
 - a. for the following purposes:
 - i. statistical or research purposes that do not involve the disclosure of personal information; or
 - ii. invoicing or collecting the levy; or
 - iii. communicating with dairy farmers; or
 - iv. supporting research development and extension activities; or
 - b. if every identifiable person to whom the information relates consents

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3. DairyNZ or a DairyNZ subsidiary, may
 - a. disclose and use information for the purposes of research and development, statistical analysis and provision of insights, or extension activities, provided that the information is anonymised
 - b. confidentially disclose and use the levy information for any of the purposes for which the DairyNZ can spend the levy.
 - c. disclose or use the information with the consent of every identifiable person to whom it relates