

# **‘.iwi.nz’ Proposal for Moderation Policy Change**

## **Summary**

The .iwi.nz policy needs to be modified to meet the evolving needs of Iwi. If it is not modified .iwi.nz will fail to serve its purpose for Iwi to utilise.

## **Submission**

From its creation, ‘.iwi.nz’ was created with little or no Iwi consultation. Originally ‘.iwi.nz’ was exclusively for Tribal Trust Boards regardless of the fact that many Iwi, were not eligible to apply for, ‘.iwi.nz’.

In recent years the original criteria was modified to accommodate all traditional Māori Iwi, Hapu, Taura here and Urban Iwi Māori Authorities so that all iwi would be eligible to apply for the right to use, ‘.iwi.nz’.

Today many Māori Iwi organisations have grown from Trust Boards to commercial entities, service providers to their members and organizations that have iwi driven initiatives.

It is important that Iwi are able to show that such services, projects and entities are iwi initiatives by allowing Iwi to use ‘.iwi.nz’.

One immediate benefit from the change will be that tribal members will be able to see that their Iwi have lead such initiatives.

As a result of the natural growth of Māori Iwi the modifications shown in the attached draft policy (Section 3b) have been proposed for public consultation.

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