

RCA Transition to NZGTTM – What Councils Need to Know

The transition from CoPTTM to the New Zealand Guide to Temporary Traffic Management (NZGTTM) represents a significant shift for councils, RCAs, and client functions. The move to a risk-based approach requires clearer organisational roles, stronger early engagement, and updated systems that reflect HSWA responsibilities rather than prescriptive controls.

For RCAs, this means stepping back from “TTM policing” and instead focusing on network safety, early hazard identification, regulatory approval, and coordinated access management. Councils also need to understand where their Client PCBU responsibilities sit; procurement, contract management, assessing competence, and ensuring that risk-based decisions are made and documented across programmes of work.

This resource brings together the checklist, example transition plan, and change-management templates to help councils map their journey. These materials support conversations about:

- Understanding current delegations and role boundaries
- Updating processes, systems, and assurance frameworks
- Identifying training and competency needs
- Communicating with contractors through the 3Cs (consult, cooperate, coordinate)

Recent Kickstart webinar sessions have highlighted the importance of starting early, identifying quick wins, and ensuring internal alignment across operational, H&S, procurement, and leadership teams. These tools are designed to help RCAs gain clarity and prepare for the NZGTTM implementation ahead.

[**RCA Transition Plan — Change Management Template**](#)

[**RCA Transition Plan — Checklist**](#)

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