

This activity checker gives an indicative overview of procedures that may apply to common rewilding activities. It does not replace site-specific legal advice or confirmation from the competent authority. Read together with the full legal guidance note.

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ACTIVITY	AUTHORISATIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED	IMPORTANT CAVEAT
Building a hide for birdwatching	May require a building permit or communication to the municipality.	Depends on municipal rules, size and location.
Putting up a fence	May require prior consent, communication or no authorisation, depending on municipal rules.	Municipal rules vary; check height / location rules.
Changing land use from commercial forestry to conservation / from agricultural land to woodland/natural ecosystem	Check the Territorial Government Plan. If the change is permitted a permit may be required. If it is not permitted a plan variation may be required.	The competent authority is not obliged to approve a requested variation.
Changing irrigated agriculture to rainfed agriculture	Check whether the change is allowed under the Territorial Government Plan and planning rules.	Rules may be affected by irrigation infrastructure or river reservoir programmes.
Restoring riparian forest gallery	May not require authorisation but a case-by-case assessment should still be carried out.	Always check applicable regulations.
Removing a small dam	River Basin Authority authorisation likely required.	Authorisation is required to carry out works in the riverbed or in the areas surrounding a public watercourse or on land belonging to the cadastral domain, and is likely required for other small dams. Always check with the River Basin Authority.
Modifying a creek	Authorisation from the River Basin Authority may be required.	You should also check whether the creek is subject to any existing authorisations that may impact the proposed activities.
Introducing ancient breed of cattle for extensive grazing on private land	May not require authorisation if carried out on private land.	If the land is in a protected area or public/civic use land, environmental or administrative authorisations may be required.
Felling eucalyptus or other trees	Regional/provincial tree-felling rules must be checked.	As a general principle, no authorisation is required for trees with trunk diameter under 80 cm. Authorisation may be needed above 80 cm. You should also check if the trees are a protected species or otherwise subject to restrictions.
Installing fences around trees	Authorisation likely NOT required.	You should still check whether protected-area or local rules apply.
Converting a house into tourist accommodation / hostel	May involve a change of use and planning regulations should be checked for this. May also involve a communication to the municipality about hostel activities.	Depends on cadastral and urban planning regulations and municipal requirements.