

# ratonga taiohi pānui

what you need to know



# get milking – dairy taster course

this short course is available to taiohi in youth service who are interested in a career in dairy



**Is dairy farming in your future?**

**Take the first steps to earning \$50,000 a year as a dairy farm assistant.**

Join Agracademy's short two hour online Dairy Taster course and step into the dynamic world of dairy farming! This course is tailored for job seekers who are eager to explore and excel in the dairy industry.

- It's all online with videos and bite sized learning modules.
- No classrooms or paper based learning.
- Study any time, from anywhere.
- Find out if this career could be for you.

**Enrol in Agracademy's Dairy Taster course and Get Milking NZ!**



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[www.getmilking.co.nz](http://www.getmilking.co.nz)



Get Milking  
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## How it works:

- The programme begins with a two hour online Dairy Taster Course, offering an introduction to farm tasks, animal care, and the realities of dairy work.
- Participants who pass an assessment interview move on to the Dairy Assistant Course, where they learn about milking, feeding, and livestock management.
- Graduates are then listed on Agracademy's job board and connected with employers through industry partners like DairyNZ.

To find out more visit [getmilking.co.nz](http://getmilking.co.nz)



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# ird number validation for taiohi applying for payments

## checking ird numbers match inland revenue's records

When young people apply for financial assistance, YSSU will attempt to match the young person's IRD number directly with Inland Revenue.

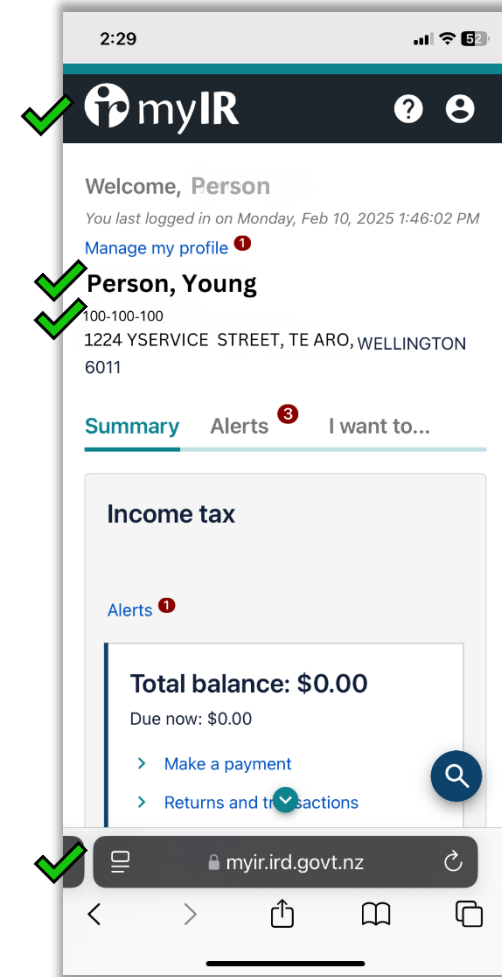
If the number does not match, YSSU may contact you to ask the young person to provide proof of their IRD number.

Acceptable ird number evidence must show the:

- Inland Revenue logo
- young person's full name
- IRD number, and
- web address (if providing a screenshot).

Examples of acceptable IRD number evidence are:

- paper copy of a letter from Inland Revenue
- digital copy of a letter from Inland Revenue
- myIR screenshot or photo (including web address).



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# youth service experience survey

we use the survey to measure how satisfied taiohi are with the service

We want to hear what taiohi think about Youth Service so that we can celebrate successes and find the problems that need to be resolved.

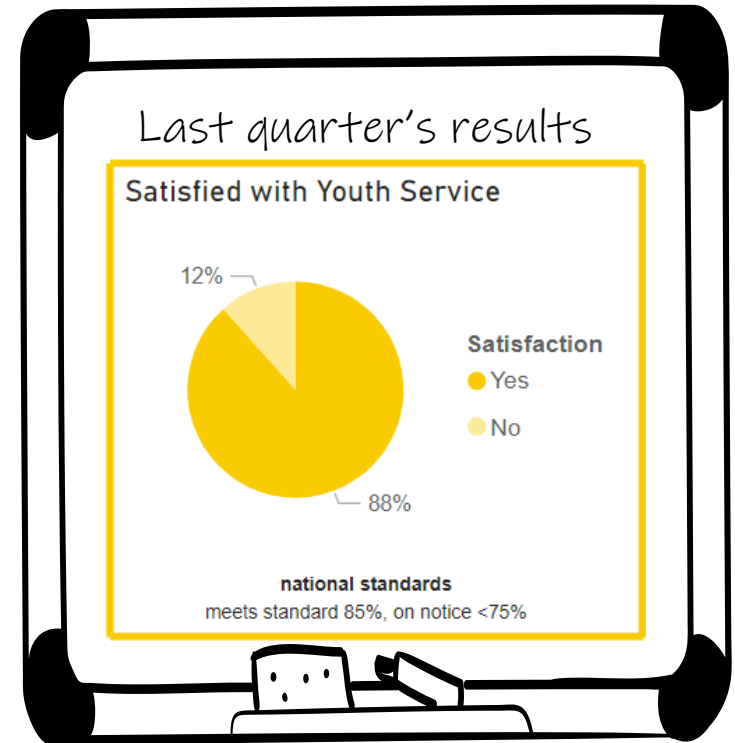
To encourage taiohi to fill in the survey you could:

- print out the QR code and encourage taiohi to scan it and fill in the survey when you see them
- send them a text with a link to the survey

**The survey will close tomorrow – Friday 7 March**



[www.surveymonkey.com/r/YouthServiceNZ](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YouthServiceNZ)



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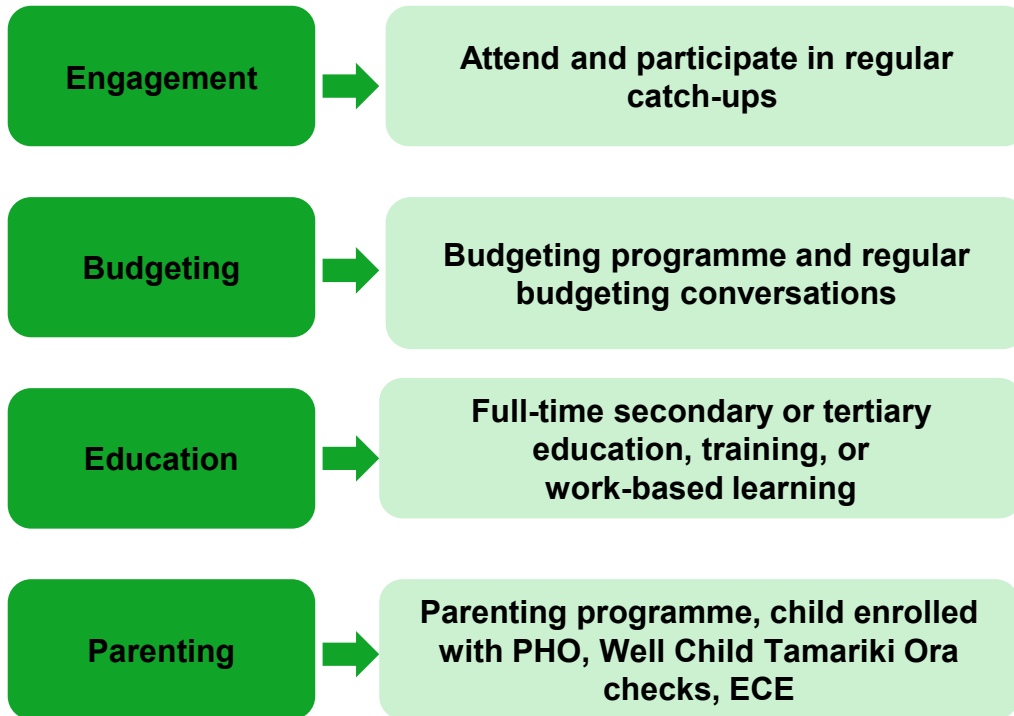


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# drop-in recap: obligations

youth payment, young parent payment and young partners have benefit obligations

The Youth Activity Obligations fall under four categories:



**Learn more**  
[meeting youth activity obligations | Youth Service providers](#)

## Exemptions

Exemptions are made when a young person is unable to reasonably meet their obligations for a period of time

Young people may qualify for full or Partial exemption from their youth activity obligations.

### Learn more

[YP Full or partial exemptions | Map](#)  
[YPP Full or partial exemptions | Map](#)  
[Table of exemptions | Map](#)



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# drop-in recap: obligation failures

obligation failures can be used when taiohi won't comply with their obligations

If you've tried everything else and a young person still won't meet their obligations, you can end the activity they aren't doing and **recommend an obligation failure.**

If YSSU agrees, the young person will **have five working days to re comply** (start doing the activity or an equivalent activity again) or give a [good and sufficient reason](#) for why they have not been doing what they need to.

If they don't have a good reason or re comply then they will be sanctioned, meaning that their payments will be reduced or stopped until they re comply.

The sanction will be is determined by the young person's circumstances.

[Click on the table to read about the different sanctions young people may get](#)

	youth payment (yp)	young parent payment (ypp)		
	Single person	Single person	Couple, one fails	Couple, both fail
grade one and two sanction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-hand allowance (or \$50) and incentive payments suspended</li> <li>Supplementary assistance not affected</li> <li>YP and supplementary assistance suspended if taiohi does not re comply within four weeks (except DA if they continue to be eligible)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-hand allowance (or \$50) and incentive payments suspended</li> <li>Supplementary assistance not affected</li> <li>check entitlement for assistance if taiohi does not re comply within four weeks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-hand allowance (or \$50) and incentive payments suspended for sanctioned taiohi</li> <li>Supplementary assistance not affected</li> <li>For sanctioned taiohi, youth coach to check entitlement for assistance if they do not re comply within four weeks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-hand allowance (or \$50) and incentive payments suspended for both</li> <li>Supplementary assistance not affected</li> <li>check entitlement for assistance for both if they do not re comply within four weeks</li> </ul>
grade three sanction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All payments cancelled (except DA which may need to be re-granted as a non-beneficiary)</li> <li>13 week non-entitlement period</li> <li>Taiohi can be paid a provisional benefit during non-entitlement period when they undertake an approved six week activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incentive payments and 50% of YPP is cancelled</li> <li>Supplementary assistance not affected</li> <li>Check entitlement for DA, CDA, GCAP and Childcare Assistance</li> <li>Family tax credit and Best Start tax credit not affected</li> <li>13 week non-entitlement period</li> <li>Taiohi can be paid a provisional benefit during non-entitlement period when they undertake an approved six week activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50% of YPP, supplementary assistance and incentive payments cancelled for sanctioned taiohi</li> <li>Partners payment not affected and can continue to receive couple rate of Winter Energy Payment</li> <li>13 week non-entitlement period</li> <li>Sanctioned taiohi can be paid a provisional benefit during non-entitlement period when they undertake an approved six week activity</li> <li>Check entitlement for DA, CDA, GCAP and Childcare Assistance</li> <li>Family tax credit and Best Start tax credit not affected</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50% of YPP and incentive payments cancelled.</li> <li>Each person can receive 25% of couples entitlement of supplementary assistance</li> <li>13 week non-entitlement period</li> <li>Both can be paid a provisional benefit during non-entitlement period when they undertake an approved six week activity</li> <li>Check entitlement for DA, CDA, GCAP and Childcare Assistance</li> <li>Family tax credit and Best Start tax credit not affected</li> </ul>

## Learn more

- [eLearning module youth activity obligations](#)
- [webpage youth activity obligation failures](#)

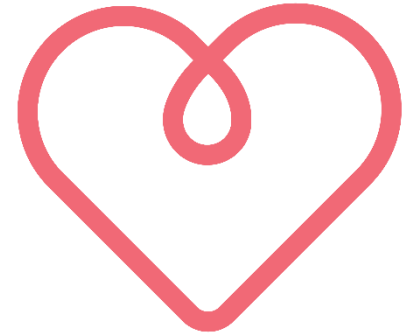


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# cultural days this week



**Ramadan**  
28 February - 30 March



**International Women's Day**  
8 March

**Lent**  
5 March - 17 April



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# upcoming drop-in sessions

drop-in to meet other youth coaches and learn about youth service



## lsv programme Tuesday 11 March, 10am



The Limited Service Volunteer (LSV) Programme is a free six week programme where young people take part in a range of activities to help them move on to jobs, training or study.

Learn more about the programme and how you can support taiohi to access it.

[Join teams meeting](#)

## young people aging out Tuesday 18 March, 10am



The beginning of April is one of the times where there is a spike in the number of young people exiting Youth Service.

In this session, we will discuss what you need to do to prepare for taiohi to leave Youth Service.

[Join teams meeting](#)

You can find the full drop-in session schedule on our provider site  
[drop-in sessions | Youth Service providers](#)



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# realising the dreams and aspirations of youth

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