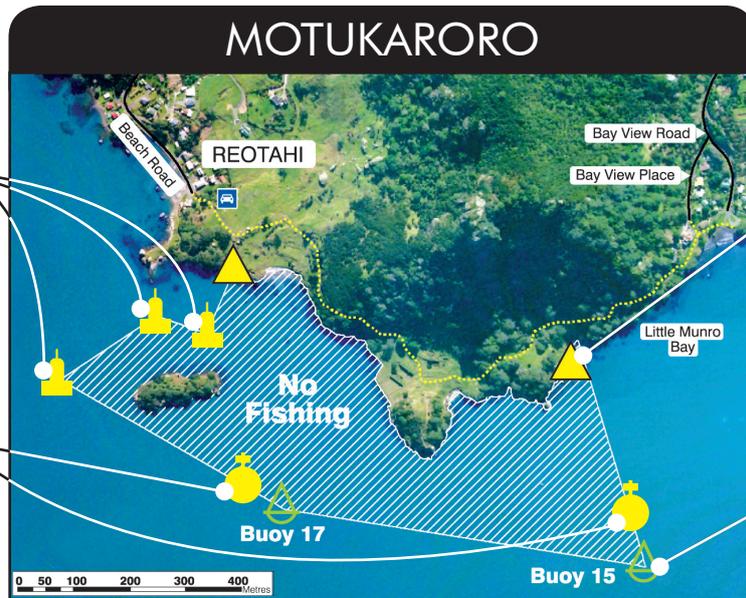
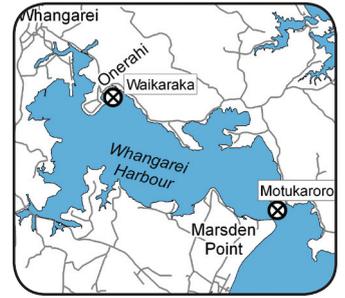


# Whangarei Harbour Marine Reserve Information Sheet

The **Whangarei Harbour Marine Reserve** protects 237 hectares, less than 3% of the Whangarei Harbour, and is made up of: Motukaroro (Aubrey/Passage Island) near Reotahi, and an intertidal mudflat/mangrove environment at Waikaraka. Both sites help to sustain different types of marine life and are important links in the sustainable management of our harbour.

**Fishing or the harming of any marine life is not allowed within a marine reserve. Penalties for fishing inside the reserves are significant, including imprisonment, the confiscation of fish and fishing gear, and/or a fine up to \$10,000. The boundaries are clearly defined in the pictures below.**



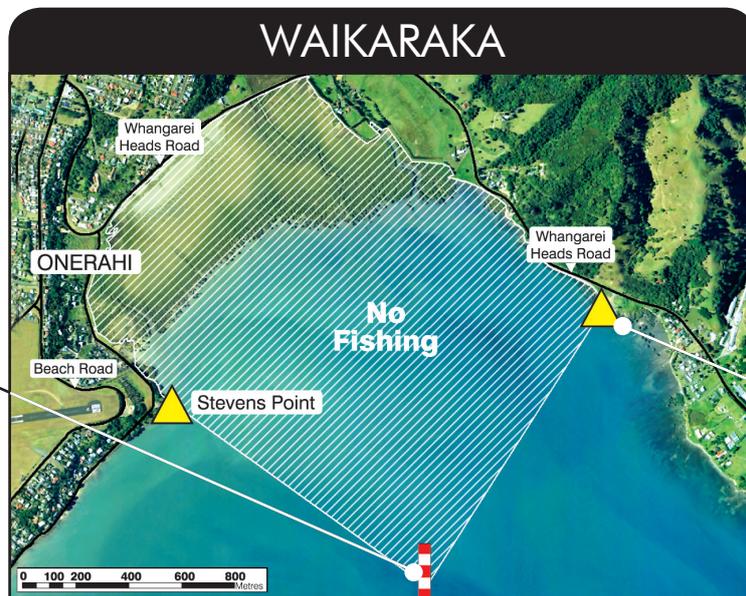
Yellow marine reserve marker buoys



Yellow shoreline boundary marker triangles



Green harbour channel marker buoys



Barber pole



Yellow shoreline boundary marker triangles



**A speed limit of 5 knots must be observed within the Marine Reserve for the safety of all users. Keep a good lookout for Snorkelers and Divers.**



For more information about the reserves call **09 470 3304** or go to **www.doc.govt.nz**  
Phone **0800 DOC HOT - 0800 362 468** to report offences