PĀTAKA KAI POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION

Te Kotahitanga o Te Arawa Waka Fisheries Trust & Te Arawa Fisheries Group are committed to supporting our Te Arawa whanau during difficult times, particularly in the event of a tangihanga. As part of this support, we provide fish through the MoanaNZ Pātaka Kai initiative at no cost to whanau for tangihanga held at any of our 10 Te Arawa iwi marae or pāpākāinga within the Te Arawa rohe, provided they meet eligibility requirements.

2. PURPOSE

This policy aims to:

(1) Outline our obligations regarding Pātaka Kai.
(2) Define the requirements for accessing Pātaka Kai.
(3) Establish the application and distribution process.
(4) Ensure consistency and fairness in the distribution of Pātaka Kai across our rohe.
(5) Clarify accountability, responsibilities, and reporting expectations.

3. DEFINITION

Pātaka Kai refers to kaimoana provided to iwi conducting a tangihanga. Kaimoana can include fish, mussels or other seafood.

4. ELIGIBILITY

Pātaka Kai is available for all tangihanga held at a marae under one of the 10 constituted Te Arawa iwi. It is also accessible for tūpāpaku (deceased) of Te Arawa descent who will be laid to rest at a home or pāpākāinga.

5. NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Requests must be made via direct contact to the Kaihautū Whakawhanaungatanga (KW)or other Te Arawa Fisheries staff member who will complete a formal request for kaimoana to MoanaNZ.

- **Notification of tangihanga should be made as soon as possible to avoid delays.**
- Approval is required from both the IDO and either the relevant iwi representative or appointed marae contact.
- The following details must be provided:
    - Name of the deceased
    - Iwi affiliation
    - Marae location/home address
    - Date of tangihanga

Upon confirmation of the required information, the IDO will arrange a collection or delivery time for the kaimoana. Application processes may change from time to time.

6. ENTITLEMENT

Pātaka Kai is strictly provided for tangihanga. Amount restrictions are as follows:

- 20 kg of frozen fish fillets for tangihanga held at a marae; or
- 10 kg of frozen fish fillets for tangihanga held at home or pāpākāinga; and
- One sack of fresh mussels or four (4) 20 litre buckets of marinated mussels, subject to availability.

7. LIMITATIONS

(1) Pātaka Kai is not available to people who do not whakapapa to one of our 10 Te Arawa iwi, unless express authorisation is given and the tangihanga is held on a Te Arawa marae.

(2) Pātaka Kai will not be supplied for use of unveilings, special occasions or before a person has passed away.

(3) Requests not approved by the designated iwi contact will not be accepted.

(4) Fish stored off-site and managed by associate marae or delegated persons are subject to the same conditions and entitlements under this policy and the Pātaka Kai Fish Storage and Distributions Policy.

8. REPORTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The IDO will document and file all details accordingly and provide reporting to the Trust as required. Statistical information and names of tūpāpaku will be shared and acknowledged in our internal and external reporting.

9. REVIEW AND UPDATE:

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its relevance and effectiveness in supporting the strategic objectives of the Trust and the needs of Te Arawa iwi members. Any amendments to the policy require Trust Board approval.

Version	Date Effective	Approved By	Amendment
1.0	01/10/2025	TB 24/04/2025	Initial Policy
1.1	01/10/2026	TB 03/09/2026	Minor amendments