



Additional entitlement to enrol in certain circumstances provision (Transitional or “Grandparenting clause”)

What is grandparenting or a transitional arrangement?

An additional entitlement to enrol in certain circumstances (AETE) (often referred to as grandparenting or transitional arrangement) can be included in new or amended zones to help reduce the impact of enrolment schemes to families that are already enrolled at the school.

This means that younger siblings can enrol at the same school as their older brother or sister and gives families certainty about their enrolment eligibility, without having to wait for an out of zone process. It means these students would be treated as in-zone and have the same entitlement to enrol as if they lived in the home zone.

You can see if your child may qualify in the flow chart on the next page.

What is the difference between ‘pre-enrolment’ and ‘enrolment’?

‘Pre-enrolment’ means the period in which applications for enrolment are invited and processed by a school.

‘Enrolment’ occurs when attendance at the school starts, and the student is first marked as present on the school roll.

Therefore, enrolment scheme changes apply to students whose enrolment is at or after the **commencement** date of the zone change.

However, the Additional Entitlement to Enrol provision is determined on the **implementation** date, not the **commencement** date.

Implementation date	This is the date that the Board ‘adopts’ the enrolment scheme at a Board meeting. It is after the Ministry has sent the approved scheme to the school. It is before the commencement date, sometimes by several months.
Commencement date	The date an enrolment scheme starts (the “effective” or “start date”). The new/amended zone applies to enrolments from this date.

New Enrolment Scheme

Is my younger child eligible for 'Additional Enrolment to Enrol'?

