One Home to Live In Eligibility Flowchart

Most overseas people are not able to buy homes in New Zealand, but certain overseas people can apply to the Overseas Investment Office for consent to buy one New Zealand home and live in it. It is important that you find out whether you need consent to buy before you sign a sale and purchase agreement as there are significant penalties if you don't get consent first. These laws apply to homes that are categorised as 'residential' or 'lifestyle' on the District Valuation Roll.

