



Brief Guide – Power Connections

© Crow Realty Limited – 07-Apr-2025



When you purchase a bare lot generally the Vendor will have provided power to a location at the boundary either by way of a power plinth (black square box, green circular box) or an in ground power supply point.

The process to get power on, a **new connection**, so that you can use it is not difficult but can be quite tedious as you need to involve, and generally dialogue with, multiple parties. We suggest the following:

1. Contract an electrician to do the work for you. Generally, they will arrange for the conduit (assuming underground supply) to be installed, size, source and pull in the required cable, supply, install the equipment for distribution e.g. builders temporary supply box). They may even arrange everything for you;
2. Contact Vector to confirm availability of supply. They will need to know what you require from a loading perspective which your electrician will be able to provide to you. They will determine what is available, generally by carrying out an inspection, provide you with a quote and once payment is made schedule the work. They will also provide you a unique installation control point (ICP) number;
3. Contact your electrical retailer, e.g. Mercury, Genesis etc. and provide them the ICP number;
4. Your electrician will then be able to get an electrical inspector to check and sign off their work and arrange to have the connection made live;



In regards timeframe allow at least 6 weeks, preferably 8 weeks, as organisations such as Vector do not tend to move with any urgency.

For further info etc. refer to this link:

<https://www.vector.co.nz/personal/electricity/new-connection>

Note: If the property does not have a power connection then Vector is the party you will generally need to contact to get it put on to the boundary including supply and installation of a transformer (if required). Vector do not provide free estimates or quotes but require upfront payment.

Disclaimer:

1. This document is intended to provide a brief overview of the process to connect power to bare lots and not to be the definitive guide;
2. It is strongly recommended that you undertake your own investigation by engaging the services of suitably qualified parties or a turnkey provider such as an electrician.