

Rainbow related kaupapa party stances since the 2020 General Election

Year	Policy / legislation	What happened / rainbow impact	Greens	Te Pāti Māori	Labour	Opportunity	National	ACT	NZ First
2021	Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Relationships Registration Act 2021	Introduced a self-identification process allowing people to change the sex recorded on their NZ birth certificate without medical evidence or a Family Court process.	✓	✓✓	✓	—	✓	✓	—
2022	Conversion Practices Prohibition Legislation Act 2022	Made conversion practices intended to change or suppress sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression unlawful.	✓	✓	✓	—	~	✓	—
2023	Human Rights (Prohibition of Discrimination on Grounds of Gender Identity or Expression, and Variations of Sex Characteristics) Amendment Bill	A Member's Bill introduced by Debbie Ngarewa-Packer proposing explicit Human Rights Act protection for gender identity/expression and variations of sex characteristics. It did not reach first reading, as it was drawn in August and Parliament was dissolved in September.	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—



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Mixed position



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Govt. action



Coalition commitment

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Red: negative for
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2023	National-ACT-NZ First Coalition Agreements	Coalition agreements relating to the rainbow community included commitments concerning replacement of RSE guidelines and publicly funded sport and gender participation.	—	—	—	—	C	C —	C
2024–2025	Sport NZ transgender inclusion principles – review and withdrawal	The Government directed Sport NZ to review its voluntary principles for including transgender people in community sport and subsequently directed their withdrawal.	×	×	×	—	G ✓	G —	G ✓ ✓
2025	Removal and replacement of Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) guidelines	Existing RSE guidelines and resources removed, including explicit guidance relating to gender and sexuality.	×	×	×	—	✓	G —	✓ ✓
2025	Medicines (Restriction on Prescribing Gonadotropin-releasing Hormone Analogues) Amendment Regulations 2025 and (No 2) 2025	Restricted new prescriptions of puberty blockers for children/adolescents with gender dysphoria or gender incongruence.	×	×	×	—	✓	✓	✓

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2025	la Tangata: Law Commission review of Human Rights Act protections	Law Commission recommended 27 reforms to strengthen and clarify protection for transgender, non-binary and people with innate variations of sex characteristics. This was a Law Commission report, not legislation.	✓	✓	✓	—	—	—	✗
2026	Government response to la Tangata	Government responded to the Law Commission's 27 recommendations but said progressing the reforms was not a priority at this time.	✗	✗	✗	—	✗	✗	✗
2026	Legislation (Definitions of Woman and Man) Amendment Bill	A Member's Bill introduced by NZ First MP Jenny Marcroft proposing statutory definitions of "woman" and "man" based on biological sex.	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓

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2026 Party Rainbow Policies and Public Statements

Greens: Explicit [rainbow policy](#) and [2026 manifesto](#) commitments

Te Pāti Māori: Explicit [Takatāpui policy](#) and public statements

Labour: Explicit support for rainbow rights within [constitutional principles](#) and [Rainbow Pae Ora strategy](#).

Opportunity: Public support for rainbow rights. Rainbow Statement for previous election (not found for this election, though)

National: No current rainbow policy identified

ACT: No current rainbow policy identified

NZ First: No current rainbow policy identified