

DEEMED APPROVALS –ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011

Subordinate Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011

Under section 6 of Council’s Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011 an approval is required before a person keeps animals in certain situations (such as keeping 1 or 2 dogs in a unit in a multi-residential premises). Schedule 2 of Subordinate Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011 contains a description of each situation for which a specific approval is required.

Council recognises that most people strive to minimise nuisance caused by their animals, and try to be considerate of their neighbours. Therefore, in order to reduce the regulatory burden upon the community, Council has decided to give deemed approvals for the keeping of animals in some situations, where the potential impact of the kept animals upon neighbouring properties is relatively low.

The approval will be deemed to apply only if the person keeping the animals ensures that the animals are kept in a way that does not cause nuisance or significant loss of

amenity to any neighbouring property. If council receives complaints about the way animals are being kept at a property, Council may give notice that it withdraws the deemed approval, and require the person keeping the animals to apply for and obtain a specific written approval.

This means that if you wish to keep animals in the situations listed in the deemed approvals table below, and you can manage the impact that the animals will have upon your neighbours, then you do not have to apply for a specific approval. With a deemed approval, you can immediately start keeping the animals.

For circumstances where you need specific approval, or where the animal keeping is prohibited, see the information on page 2.

DEEMED APPROVALS - You don’t need to apply for approval, as described above

Animal	Circumstances in which keeping of animal or animals requires approval (deemed approval applies)
1) Dog Please note that you will still be required to register any dogs that are kept under the deemed approval.	(a) 1 or 2 dogs over the age of 3 months on multi-residential premises. (b) 1 or 2 dogs over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 400m ² .
2) Horse (including a racehorse), mule, ass, donkey, cow, bull, buffalo or camel	(a) 1 animal to which this item 2 applies on an allotment with an area between 2,001m ² and 4,000m ² . (b) More than 2 animals to which this item 2 applies on an allotment with an area between 4,001m ² and 10,000m ² .
3) Sheep, goat, alpaca, llama, ostrich or emu	(a) More than 4 animals to which this item 3 applies on an allotment with an area between 2,001m ² and 4,000m ² . (b) More than 6 animals to which this item 3 applies on an allotment with an area between 4,001m ² and 6,000m ² .
4) Budgerigar, canary or other bird of a similar size or racing pigeons	More than 20 birds to which this item 4 applies on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² .

For more information:

>> refer to Council’s website: townsville.qld.gov.au

>> contact Council on 13 48 10

>> visit one of our Customer Service Centres at 103 Walker Street, Townsville City or 86 Thuringowa Drive, Thuringowa Central.

SPECIFIC APPROVALS AND PROHIBITED ANIMAL KEEPING

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SPECIFIC APPROVALS - You must get specific, written approval from council in these circumstances.

Animal	Circumstances in which keeping of animal or animals requires approval
1) Dog	(a) 3 or 4 dogs over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² . (b) The operation of a kennel.
2) Cat	(a) One or two cats on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² . (b) Up to 6 cats on an allotment with an area 4,000m ² or greater. (c) 3, 4, 5 or 6 cats on an allotment with an area at least 400m ² , but less than 4,000m ² . (d) The operation of a cattery.
3) Cockatoo, galah or other bird of a similar size, peahen or peacock	1 bird to which this item 3 applies on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² .

PROHIBITED ANIMAL KEEPING - You are NOT permitted to keep animals in these circumstances.

Animal	Circumstances in which keeping of animal or animals is prohibited
1) Dog	(a) More than 4 dogs over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² unless the dogs are kept for the purposes of the operation of a kennel. (b) More than 2 dogs over the age of 3 months on multi- residential premises. (c) More than 2 dogs over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 400m ² . (d) Any of the following breeds anywhere in the local government area: American Pit Bull Terrier or Pit Bull Terrier; Dogo Argentino; Fila Brasileiro; Japanese Tosa; Perro de Presa Canario or Presa Canario.
2) Cat	(a) More than 6 cats over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² unless the cats are kept for the purposes of the operation of a cattery. (b) More than 2 cats over the age of 3 months on multi- residential premises. (c) More than 2 cats over the age of 3 months on an allotment with an area less than 400m ² .
3) Horse (including a racehorse), mule, ass, donkey, cow, bull, buffalo or camel	An animal to which this item 3 applies on an allotment with an area less than 2,000m ² .
4) Sheep, goat, alpaca, llama, ostrich or emu	An animal to which this item 4 applies on an allotment with an area less than 2,000m ² .
5) Rooster	A rooster on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² .
6) Poultry (other than a rooster) duck or goose	(a) More than 6 birds to which this item 6 applies on an allotment with an area less than 1,000m ² . (b) More than 12 birds to which this item 6 applies on an allotment with an area between 1,001m ² and 4,000m ² .
7) Pig	(a) A pig on an allotment with an area less than 4,000m ² . (b) More than 2 pigs on an allotment with an area between 4,001m ² and 10,000m ² .