

Keeping of Animals

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Definitions

Animal: Animal means an organism (other than a Human Being) that is not a plant and includes eggs and semen. For example, cats, dogs, birds, stock, poultry etc

Birds: Birds means all birds other than special birds, poultry, roosters and racing pigeons

Animal	Circumstances in which keeping an animal is prohibited
Dog	<p>Keeping of one (1) or two (2) dogs on a premises is allowed as long as the dogs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microchipped and registered with Council • Contained within a proper enclosure on the premises that prevents the dog getting under, over or through the enclosure (including open gates) • Not causing amenity (including barking) nuisance <p>Dogs must be securely held on a leash when in public areas</p> <p>Dog poo must be picked up when in a public place</p> <p>Owners are responsible for the behaviour and control of their dog in designated off leash areas</p> <p>Keeping of 3 dogs on a premises will require a permit from Council and this will only be given in exceptional circumstances (eg: elderly parent moving in with a dog)</p> <p>Keeping 4 or more dogs on a premises is prohibited.</p>
Cat	<p>Keeping up to 3 cats on a premises is allowed if the cats are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adequately identified with owners name, address & phone no. (ie: Microchip or collar) • contained within an enclosure on the premises that is 10m from neighbouring premises, prevents the cat escaping from the premises onto the road & has adequate shelter and water • not causing unreasonable nuisance
Poultry	<p>Keeping up to 10 poultry is allowed on a premises if poultry are kept in an enclosure (house or run) which is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 metres from a dwelling on an adjoining premises & a place where food is kept, processed or stored and, • not within 2 metres of any premises boundary or road. <p>Keeping poultry on a premises that is less than 300 m² is prohibited</p> <p>Keeping more than 10 poultry in an urban area is prohibited</p>
Rooster	<p>Keeping a rooster on a premises that is in an urban area is prohibited</p>

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	<p>A rooster is required to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • contained within an enclosure on the premises that is 10m from neighbouring premises, prevents the roosters escaping from the premises onto the road & has adequate shelter and water • kept so it does not causing unreasonable nuisance or become injurious or prejudicial to health <p>Keeping a rooster closer than 50m from a neighbouring dwelling is prohibited</p>
Bird	<p>Up to 60 birds may be kept on a premises provided they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kept without nuisance • enclosed in a cage or aviary • cage or aviary is set back a min. 2metres from each boundary of the premises • birds food is kept in a sealed vermin proof container <p>Keeping more than 60 birds on a premises in an urban area is prohibited</p>
Stock	<p>Keeping stock on a premises less than 8,000m² is prohibited</p> <p>Stables are to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not located within 10m of a dwelling on adjoining premises or a place used for manufacture, preparation or storage of food (owners domestic kitchen exempted) • set back min. 2m from each boundary of premises • located min. 20m from any watercourse, well or bore • stable floor covered with absorbent soft floor material changed every 6 weeks • planning approval compliance • maintained in good condition <p>Stock are to be kept as per the Model Code of Practice for the Welfare of Animals</p>
Bees	<p>On premises:</p> <p>Less than 800m² = bee hives are prohibited 800m² – 2,000m² = 1 x hive permitted 2,000m² – 10,000m² = 2-8 hives permitted 10,000m²+ = 8+ hives permitted (Planning Approval may apply)</p> <p>Keeping non-native beehives closer than 15m from a neighbouring residence or place of public access is prohibited.</p>

Note: These conditions do not apply to premises where a development approval pertains to the use of premises for animal husbandry

Further Information

For further information contact Council at 1300 763 903 or email enquiries@cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au.

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