

**CROYDON SHIRE
COUNCIL
LOCAL LAW POLICY
NO. 6
(KEEPING AND
CONTROL OF
ANIMALS)**

This Local Law Policy is to be read with Local Law No. 6 (Keeping and Control of Animals).

Made by Council resolution on 24th March, 1999.

1. Citation

This local law policy may be cited as Local Law Policy No. 6 (Keeping and Control of Animals).

2. Objects

The objects of this Local Law Policy are to provide detailed information called upon by Local Law No. 6 (Keeping and Control of Animals) to regulate the keeping of animals:

- (a) to protect the community against risk of injury and damage; and
- (b) to ensure that animals do not create a nuisance, or a hazard to health or safety; and
- (c) to prevent pollution and other environmental damage resulting from the keeping of animals and to protect the amenity of the local environment; and
- (d) to ensure that animals are kept and used in a way that is consistent with the rights and expectations of the local community.

3. Local Law - section 5(1) - Requirement to hold permit

For the purposes of section 5(1) of the Local Law, a permit is required to keep all animals except for:

- (a) Dogs

- i) However a permit is required to keep more than two (2) household dogs or three (3) working dogs within the town common area;
- (b) Cats;
- (c) Birds
 - i) However a permit is required to keep more than sixteen (16) chickens, per household;
- (d) Fish;
- (e) Horses;
- (f) Cattle and;
- (g) Kangaroos.

4. Local Law - section 7 - Requirement to register animal

For the purposes of Section 7 of the Local Law, the keeper of the following animal is required to have the animal registered:

- (a) a dog older than 3 months old.

5. Local Law - section 8(2) - Obligation to register

For the purposes of section 8(2) of the Local Law, a registered animal is required to have the following identification tag:

- (a) a dog is required to have fixed to its collar a registration tag issued by local government and renewed annually by 30 September of each financial year.

6. Local Law - section 10(1) - Prescription of minimum standards by local law policy

For the purposes of section 10(1) of the Local Law, the minimum standards for the keeping of animals is as follows:

Chickens

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- (a) all cages, chicken runs or fowl houses shall not be situated within twenty (20) metres of a dwelling or a place where foods is kept, stored or processed;
- (b) all cages, chicken runs, fowl houses or other places where chickens are kept shall be thoroughly cleaned.

7. Local Law - section 13(2) - Term of permit

For the purposes of section 13(2) of the Local Law, a permit is granted or renewed for a term of 1 year.

8. Local Law - section 14(3) - Conditions of permit

- (1) For the purposes of section 14(3) of the Local Law the following conditions must be imposed on a permit:
 - (a) an authorised person may enter the premises of the keeper of the animal to ensure that the conditions of the permit are complied with;
 - (b) that the animal is sufficiently fed and watered;
 - (c) that the animal has adequate protection from the weather;
- (2) For the purposes of section 14(3) of the Local Law the following conditions will ordinarily be imposed on a permit:
 - (a) the size, location, boundary distances and description of enclosure for the animal;
 - (b) the animal must be kept in a fenced area or tethered;
 - (c) the animal is placed in fully enclosed area at night;
 - (d) the animal is securely tied or tethered at night;
 - (e) the animal is vaccinated against
 - (f) that the enclosure, in which the animal is kept, is clean;
 - (g) the enclosure must be situated no closer than 6 metres to any building on any adjoining land without further approval from local government;