**Local Laws**

Application to Keep Additional Animals

*General Local Law No. 8 2015*

An owner or occupier of land must not keep or allow to be kept more than four different types of animal on that land at any time or allow to be kept any more in number for each type of animal as set out in Council’s General Local Law No. 8 2015.

Applicants should refer to Part 4 – Animals of General Local Law No. 8 2015 prior to lodging this application. Formal notice from Council will be posted to you on approval.

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| **Your Details** | | | |
| Surname |  | | |
| Given Name/s |  | Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms) |  |
| Business Name (if applicable) |  | ABN (if applicable) |  |
| Street Address |  | | |
|  |  | Postcode |  |
| Mailing Address |  | | |
|  |  | Postcode |  |
| Day time Contact Number |  | | |
| Email |  | | |
| **Permit Details** | | | |
| **I hereby apply for a permit to keep the following additional animals:** | | | |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | More than two (2) cats (residential) | | More than two (2) dogs (residential) | |  | More than five (5) cats (rural) | | More than five (5) dogs (rural) | |  | Other: *(specify)* |  | | | | | |

**at the following location:**

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| Street Address | |  | | | | | | |
| Town | |  | | | Postcode | | |  |
| **Conditions** | | | | | | | | |
| Approval of this permit is subject to: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. This application being completed in full. | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Neighbour’s Consent obtained. | | | | | | | | |
| 3. A Community Ranger will contact you to make an appointment to assess the property for compliance. | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Compliance with the Campaspe Shire Council General Local Law No. 8 2015. | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Any other conditions pertaining to this application. | | | | | | | | |
| **Applicant’s Signature** |  | | | **Date** | | |  | |
| **Lodgement Details** | | | | | | | | |
| Please return completed form, supporting documents and cheque to: | | | | | | | | |
| **Mail** | | | **Email** | | | **Phone** | | |
| Campaspe Shire Council | | | shire@campaspe.vic.gov.au | | | 5481 2200 / 1300 666 535 | | |
| PO Box 35 | | | **Web** | | | **Fax** | | |
| ECHUCA VIC 3564 | | | www.campaspe.vic.giv.au | | | 5481 2290 | | |

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| **Neighbour Consent Form** |
| Dear Neighbour  I am applying to the Campaspe Shire Council for a permit to keep       *(number)* of       *(type of animal)*  at my residential address as the Local Law requires me to have a permit for: |
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As an owner of an adjoining property I would appreciate your support for my application by signing the lower part of this letter and returning it to me.

Thank you.

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| Applicant’s Signature |  |
| Name |  |
| Street Address and Town |  |
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| Re Local Law Permit to Keep Additional Animals  **To: Local Laws Coordinator, Campaspe Shire Council** |
| *(tick where applicable)* |
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| Neighbour’s Name |  | | |
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| **Conditions** |

**General Local Law No. 8 – 2015**

The following conditions shall apply to all approvals for the keeping of additional animals unless expressly excluded, amended or varied in the approval.

## Dogs and cats

### An owner or occupier of land in a residential area must not, without a permit, keep or allow to be kept more than two dogs and / or two cats on that land;

### For the purpose of calculating the maximum number of dogs or cats kept, any progeny may be lawfully kept, without a permit, for 12 weeks after birth;

### Council may by resolution exempt any class of dog or cat from the requirement to be kept with a permit under Clause 46(1).

## Keeping animals in the municipality

### An owner or occupier of land must not keep or allow to be kept without a permit more than four different types of animal on that land at any time or allow to be kept any more in number for each type of animal than as set out in the following table:

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| **Type of Animal** | **Maximum allowed in residential areas** | **Rural living areas** | **Rural areas** |
| Dogs | 2 | 2 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | 5 |
| Cats | 2 | 2 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | 5 |
| Poultry (other than turkeys and geese) | 8 Fowls or 2 Ducks | 8 Fowls or 2 Ducks allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Turkeys and Geese | None allowed unless otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | None allowed unless otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Pigs | None Allowed | None allowed unless otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Horses, Donkeys, Camels, Cattle, Sheep, Goats | None Allowed | None allowed unless otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Ferrets | None allowed except where the block is larger than 2 hectare or it is otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required | No Local Law permit required |
| Guinea Pigs | 6 | 6 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Domestic Birds | 6 | 6 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Pigeons | 50 | 50 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Domestic Rabbits | 10 | 10 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Any other livestock or agricultural animal | 0 | Allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |
| Roosters | a) None allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit.  b) None allowed unless the person keeping the rooster(s) is a member of the Victorian Poultry Fanciers Association and complies with their Code of Practice. | 2 allowed except where otherwise determined by Council in each individual application for a permit | No Local Law permit required |

### Sub clause (1) applies to animal keeping under the Planning Scheme where it determined to be ancillary to the use of a dwelling on the land.

### Sub clause (1) does not apply where a planning permit has been obtained for land used for the purposes of animal boarding, breeding, keeping or training.

### Keeping of additional animals

In determining whether to grant a permit for the keeping of animals where the number exceeds that which is set out in the Table to clause 45 (1), the Council must take into account:-

#### the zoning of the land;

#### the proximity of the area to adjoining properties;

#### the amenity of the area to that of adjoining properties;

#### the type and additional numbers of animals to be kept;

#### the area of land available for keeping the animals;

#### the likely effects on adjoining owners or occupiers;

#### whether the animals are being temporarily homed under an approved community foster care network;

#### the adequacy of animal shelters; and

#### whether the animals have been desexed; and

#### any other matter relevant to the circumstances associated with the application.

### Accommodation for Animals - Shelters

In determining what may be reasonable shelter, consideration should be given to:-

#### the type of animal to be kept;

#### the height of the shelter;

#### the distance from the street frontage of the property;

#### the distance from any other street or road;

#### the distance from the boundary of any adjoining property; and

#### the distance from any dwelling.

### Animal shelter standards

All animal shelters must be constructed in accordance with the following standards:

#### The floor area of any animal shelter must be sized to allow 0.7 square metres of floor area for each head of poultry kept or be of a size approved by Council for keeping of any other animal.

#### An animal shelter must be located in a position approved by Council.

#### Animal shelters must be constructed of approved materials and be roofed so as to exclude all rainwater. Roof drainage is to be connected to an approved stormwater system.

#### The floor of an animal shelter shall be constructed in an approved material and the finished floor level shall be a minimum of 80mm above surrounding ground level.

#### Shelters for poultry and domestic birds shall be constructed so as to be rodent proof.

#### Poultry houses shall be constructed with a minimum 200mm plinth directly above and around the edge of the floor capable of holding a bed of litter of a minimum depth of 200mm.

### Animal shelter maintenance and cleaning

All animal shelters must be maintained in accordance with the following standards so that:-

#### all manure, litter and other waste is removed and / or treated as often as necessary so that it does not cause a nuisance or offensive condition;

#### all manure, litter and other waste to be stored in a fly and vermin proof receptacle until removed from the premises or otherwise disposed of to the satisfaction of the authorised officer;

#### the ground surrounding the shelter is drained to the satisfaction of the authorised officer;

#### the area of land within three (3) metres of the area or structure in which the animal is kept must be kept free from dry grass, weeds, refuse, rubbish or other material capable of harbouring vermin;

#### all animal food, grain or chaff is kept in vermin proof receptacles;

#### the area where animals are kept must be thoroughly cleaned and maintained at all times in a clean and sanitary manner so as not to give rise to any nuisance and to the satisfaction of the authorised officer.

Penalty: 3 Penalty Units