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Policy Type

Local Planning Policy

Policy Purpose

A consistent set of guidelines for the development of outbuildings in the Rural, Rural Living and Resource zones is required, which is consistent with Town Planning Scheme No. 3 (TPS 3) and takes into account local needs.

The policy is intended to provide uniform development requirements for outbuildings within the Rural, Rural Living and Resource zones, consistent with local needs.

Policy Statement

Definition:

Outbuilding has the same meaning as in the Residential Design Codes of Western Australia (R-Codes).

A lean-to is defined as a roofed structure attached to an outbuilding that is completely unenclosed on all sides, except to the extent that it abuts the side or sides of the outbuilding.

- (1) The combined floor area of existing and proposed outbuildings and the wall and ridge height of proposed outbuildings are not to exceed the following:

Zone	Maximum floor area of all outbuildings and lean-to's combined (m²)	Maximum wall height of outbuildings and lean-to's (m)	Maximum ridge height of outbuildings and lean-to's (m)
Rural & Resource	300	5	7
Rural Living	200	4.5	6

- (2) Outbuildings and lean-to's are to be sited within a building envelope prescribed for any lot.
- (3) Outbuildings and lean-to's are generally to be sited wholly behind the primary residence in all zones.
- (4) Subject to Clause 8 of this Policy outbuildings proposed in the Development zone where there is no structure plan will be assessed on their merits having regard to the future intent of the area. In any case, the development standards shall not exceed those for outbuildings in rural areas as shown in the table above.

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- (5) Outbuildings are to be constructed of a non-reflective material and colour that matches the dwelling and/or harmonises with the surrounding environment and that does not detract from the visual amenity of the area.
- (6) Where a proposal does not comply with the prescriptive requirements of the above table but it can be demonstrated by the applicant to the satisfaction of Council officers that the application will not result in any negative impacts on the amenity of neighbouring properties or the area, the application may be approved by Council officers under delegation. All applications seeking a variation to the requirements of the above table shall be advertised to nearby landowners who in the opinion of Council officers may be affected by the proposal.

Any subsequent actions as a result of refused applications are carried out in accordance with Council's Policy.

- (7) The floor area of any approved sea containers will contribute towards the combined maximum floor area of outbuildings contained in this Policy.
- (8) Planning applications for Outbuildings and lean-to's will not be supported in the absence of a dwelling on site. Applications may be supported where a dwelling is constructed to at least plate height level.

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