

Guidelines for Keeping Poultry in the Resource Zone

Under the City of Cockburn's Local Laws



No more than 25 poultry may be kept on land in the resource zone



No more than 50 poultry may be kept on land zoned as rural.

Specific written approval is required to keep more than 50 poultry within a rural area or more than 25 poultry on land within the resource zone.



Poultry is required to be kept in an enclosure at all times.

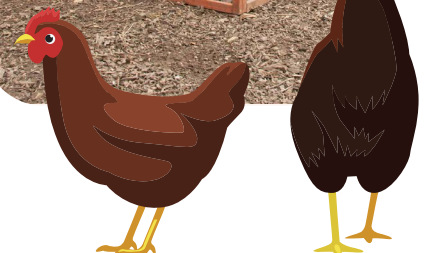
Within the resource zone, a poultry enclosure must be constructed in accordance with the following requirements:

- The enclosure is to be of sound construction
- The design and construction are to comply with all requirements of the City's Building Service. Further information on these requirements may be obtained by contacting the City's Building Service directly on 08 9411 3444
- The shed shall be no less than 1.8 m in height to facilitate cleaning
- Animal enclosures must be maintained at all times in a clean condition.



A poultry enclosure within the resource zone must be positioned so that it complies with the following set backs:

- No less than 1m from the boundary
- 15m from any dwelling house
- 15m from a street (other than a right of way), unless approved by an authorised person.



All residents keeping animals in the City of Cockburn have a responsibility to:



Keep the premises free from excrement, filth, food waste and all other matter that is likely to become offensive or injurious to health or to attract rats, vermin or insects.



Keep the premises, so far as possible, free of flies and use a residual insecticide or use other effective means to kill and repel flies as necessary.



Keep feed in a rodent-proof receptacle or compartment.



Where there is an indication of the presence of rodents (eg mouse droppings, gnaw marks) use a rodenticide bait or a baited trap and prevent rodents having access to water on the premises.



Ensure animal drinking water is changed frequently and kept clean and free from vegetable matter and slime to prevent mosquito breeding.



Follow any direction given by an authorised person, relating to any of the above requirements.



Manure Management:

- Store manure in a manner that prevents the escape of odours, dust and particles and must be fully enclosed or treated to prevent it becoming a breeding place for flies or other vectors of disease
- When storing manure temporarily prior to disposal, ensure it is kept in a dry receptacle or disposed of in sealed garbage bags in your waste bin
- Where manure is used as fertiliser, only store amounts that can be readily used within a reasonable time or dig manure into the garden immediately after removing from the enclosure
- Follow any direction given by an authorised person, relating to any of the above requirements.

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