

DOMESTIC SATELLITE DISHES

Planning Information Sheet

WHAT IS A DOMESTIC SATELLITE DISH?

A Domestic Satellite Dish is an external fixture associated with a dwelling.

DOES IS REQUIRE PLANNING APPROVAL?

Domestic Satellite Dishes that require planning approval are:

- Any satellite dish in excess of 1.2m diameter; and
- Any satellite dish which is visible from any neighbouring properties, the street or other public areas.

Domestic Satellite Dishes that **do not** require planning approval are:

- Any satellite dish with a diameter less than 1.2 metres, which is not visible from any neighbouring properties, the street or other public areas; and
- Dishes associated with Temporary mobile communication facilities; State emergency services communication equipment; Any other public authority communications infrastructure acting within the scope of its statutory responsibility.

For more information about what forms, fees and information is required please download the [Planning Application Checklist](#). Once planning approval is obtained, a Building Permit must be sought from the City's Building Services.

HOW TO APPLY FOR PLANNING APPROVAL

Development standards for domestic satellite dishes are contained within Local Planning Policy LPP 1.9 - Domestic Satellite Dishes which can be downloaded from the City's website. However the general requirements are listed below:

Development Standards

1. Dishes must be located to minimise their visual impact from neighbouring properties, the street or other public areas.
2. Dishes must be ground mounted with a maximum diameter of 3.0 metres.
3. Dishes should be erected below the height of fences where practicable and are to be adequately screened at ground level from view of neighbouring properties.

Screening measures include the following:

- a) establishment of mature fast growing plantings;
- b) construction of standalone lattice screening (or similar) inside the property boundary i.e. in close proximity to the dish itself;
- c) planting of fast growing creepers to cover the lattice or screening device; and
- d) painting the dish and/or lattice structure to 'colour match' its background.