



Approval Requirements

- The application is subject to a non-refundable fee as listed in the Fees and Charges Register
- All applications will be subject to an internal approval process
- The property where the Livestock/Poultry are housed may be subject to inspections by Council's Authorised Officers
- Public consultation will be conducted with immediate neighbours to seek comment on the activity
- If the permit is approved the Livestock/Poultry cannot be used for commercial purposes

Granting of Permits

Prior to the Council granting permission the Council must (in addition to any other relevant matters) consider whether:

- an insanitary condition exists or has existed on the premises as a result of the keeping of animals;
- a nuisance is caused or has been caused to any neighbour as a result of the keeping of animals on the premises or is likely to be caused by the keeping of the livestock;
- there exists sufficient space, shelter on the premises for the keeping of the livestock;
- the livestock can be adequately contained to the premises;
- any other animals are kept or proposed to be kept on the premises;
- any order pursuant to Section 254 of the *Local Government Act 1999* has been issued in respect of the premises or the applicant for permission.

Information Guide

Compliance with Prescribed Standards

- The owner of livestock kept on residential premises must ensure that the livestock is kept in a place that complies with the prescribed place standards provided for in Part 4.
- The owner of livestock kept on residential premises in a structure must ensure that the structure complies with the prescribed structure standards provided for in Part 4.
- The owner of livestock kept on residential premises must ensure that any food for the livestock is stored in an air-tight, rodent proof container when not in use.

Part 4 – Prescribed Standards

A place complies with the 'prescribed place standards' if:

- the livestock may extend its legs, wings or body to their full natural extent;
- the livestock may stand, sit or perch, or the place is otherwise adequate for the needs of the animal;
- the place is in a clean and sanitary condition; and
- the livestock can be adequately contained to the premises.

Structure Standards for Poultry/Pigeons

- located in the rear yard of the premises;
- located not less than 1 metre from the boundary line between the owner's premises and any abutting premises;
- soundly constructed of durable materials;
- impervious to water;
- constructed of materials that may be readily sanitised;
- maintained in a good state of repair free from cracks, holes, rust and other damage;
- kept in a way that minimises the transfer of pathogenic agents; and
- adequately ventilated for the health and comfort of the livestock
- The owner of poultry/pigeons kept on a residential premises must ensure that all faeces, feathers, refuse and dropped or scattered feed on the premises are removed and disposed of at least twice each week

Part 4 – Prescribed Standards (for pigeons only)

An enclosure complies with the 'prescribed enclosure standards' if it:

- is adequate for the size and breed of pigeon;
- has its inside walls and ceilings (except walls and ceilings constructed of wire) painted or disinfected at least twice yearly;
- otherwise complies with the prescribed place and shelter standards provided for in paragraphs 10 and 11 of this by-law.

Conditions of Permit

Complaints Received

Where a complaint is received due to the animals kept at the property and an investigation by Council's authorised officer finds the complaint to be justified, the person responsible for the animals will reduce the number of animals on the property to that allowed by the City of Charles Sturt Council's By-law. Any permit issued for the keeping of excess animals will be revoked.

Only Valid on Property

Permit is valid only for the person, property and the animals to which the permit is issued.

Comply with By-Law 6

The owner must abide at all times by the City of Charles Sturt By-Law 6 (Domestic Livestock Management) and subsequent By Law amendments.

Open for Inspection

The property must be open to inspection by an authorised officer or police officer at any reasonable time deemed necessary by Council.

Exceeding Permitted Number of Animals

The number of animals kept on the property shall not exceed that number for which the permit is granted. This includes visiting animals.

Production of Permit

This permit must be retained and produced for inspection upon request of an authorised person or a police officer.

Offences

Any offences committed against the Councils by-laws may result in this permit being revoked.

Change to Number of Animals

The owner must within 14 days notify Council in writing if the animals are removed from the property, sold, deceased or given away.

Feeding of Pigeons

The owner of a pigeon kept on a residential premises must not feed or permit a person to feed the pigeon unless it is inside in the prescribed enclosure.

Roosters

A person must not, without permission, keep a rooster on residential premises.

Council Retains the Right to:

- a. Revoke a permit so issued if the conditions of the permit are breached at any time. In such a case Council will give notice in writing that all animals except for the allowable limit as per the by-law be removed from the property within such time as the Council considers necessary in that particular case.
- b. Revise any permit where conditions have been breached and, by doing so impose a policy of non-replacement which would have the effect of reducing the number of animals on the property to that allowed under the by-law.