

KEEPING OF ANIMALS AND BIRDS IN THE SHIRE OF CAPEL

Info Note 11

INTERPRETATION

In this division, unless the context otherwise requires –

“Animal” includes cats, dogs rabbits and ferrets or the like; and

“Bird” includes galahs, parrots, budgerigars, finches, pigeons and doves or the like.

CLEANINESS

As owner or occupier of premises, excluding and extensive farming premises, in or on which an animal or bird is kept shall –

- (a) Keep the premises free from excrement, filth, food waste and all other matter which is likely to become offensive or injurious to health or to attract rats or other vectors of disease;
- (b) When so directed by an Environmental Health Officer, clean and disinfect the premises;
- (c) Keep the premises, so far as possible, free from flies or other vectors of disease by spraying with a residual insecticide or other effective means; and
- (d) Ensure the animal or bird kept is not causing a nuisance or is injurious, offensive or dangerous to health.

ANIMAL ENCLOSURE

- (a) A person shall not keep or cause or permit to be kept any animals or birds on premises which are not affectively drained.
- (b) The owner or occupier of premises, where animals or birds are kept shall, when directed by Council, pave, grade and drain floors of all structures and the surface of the ground of all enclosures used for the keeping of animals or birds.

DISPOSAL OF DEAD ANIMALS

- (a) An owner or operator of a veterinary practice where dead animals are kept for more than 12 hours, shall refrigerate the carcass prior to its removal and disposal, at an approved disposal site.
- (b) An owner or occupier of premises, other than a veterinary practice, on which there is a dead animal shall immediately remove the carcass for its disposal at an approved disposal site.
- (c) An owner, or a person having the care of any animal that dies or is killed in a public or private place shall immediately remove the carcass and arrange for its disposal at an approved disposal site.



REMOVAL OF NON – CONFORMING STRUCTURE OR ENCLOSURE

- (a) If a structure, shelter or enclosure is used for the keeping of animals or birds contrary to the provisions of these laws, the Principal Environmental Officer may direct the owner or occupier to remove it.
- (b) An owner or occupier shall comply with a direction from the Principal Environmental Health Officer under this section.

Enquiries may be made to Councils Principal Environmental Health Officer, Colin Dent on 97270222 or email info@capel.wa.gov.au

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