

KEEPING OF POULTRY IN THE SHIRE OF CAPEL Info Note 14

Interpretation

In this Division, unless the context otherwise requires-

"Affiliated Person" means a person who is a member of a properly constituted Poultry Club;

"Code of Practice" means the Model Code of Practice for the welfare of animals – domestic poultry, published 1995 and amended from time to time and approved by the Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand Annual Health Committee.

"Poultry" includes fowls, peafowls, turkeys, geese, ducks and the like;

"Young Birds" mean any birds under 24 days of age and are recognised as birds without feathers on the flesh under their wings.

Limitation on Numbers of Poultry

- (1) An owner or occupier of premises within a townsite shall not keep more than 20 poultry without the approval of Council, on any one lot of land. Where a certificate of registration to keep pigeons or doves has been issued under Section 5.5.3, the permitted number of poultry shall be reduced by the same number of pigeons or doves has been issued under Section **5.5.3**, the permitted number of poultry shall be reduced by the same number as the number of pigeons or doves kept on the premises.
- (2) Sub-section (1) shall not apply to premises approved by the Council for veterinary purposes, poultry processing, egg production or poultry rearing

Conditions for Keeping Poultry in Limited Numbers

A person who keeps poultry or permits poultry to be kept shall ensure that—

- (a) no poultry is able to approach within 15 metres of a dwelling house, public building or premises where people are employed or where food is stored, prepared, manufactured or sold;
- (b) all poultry is kept in a properly constructed and securely fastened structure or enclosure;
- (c) the structure is in a yard having an otherwise unobstructed area of at least 30 square metres;
- (d) no poultry is able to approach within 15 metres of a street other than a right of way unless, in the case of land at the junction of two or more streets, Council has approved a lesser distance;
- (e) all enclosures or cages within which poultry are kept shall be maintained at all times in a clean condition and shall be disinfected or otherwise dealt with in a way as directed by an Environmental Health Officer.
- (f) All poultry shall be kept in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Practice.



Roosters, Geese, Turkeys, Peafowl's and Gamebirds

- (1) An occupier of premises within a townsite, shall not without the written approval of the Council, keep or permit to be kept on those premises, any one or more of the following fowl—
 - (a) a rooster;
 - (b) a goose or gander;
 - (c) a turkey;
 - (d) a peacock or peahen;
 - (e) a gamebird (includes emus and ostriches)
- (2) The Council may upon written application and payment of the annual registration fee grant approval with or without conditions to the owner or occupier of premises to keep any one or more birds as specified in subsection (1)..
- (3) A person who has been granted approval under this Section to keep a bird may keep the bird on the premises only while he is the occupier thereof and pays annually, the registration fee as fixed from time to time by Council under Section 344C of the Act.
- (4) The Council may revoke an approval granted under this Section if it is of the opinion that the keeping of the birds specified in the approval is causing a nuisance or is injurious, offensive or dangerous to health.

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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