

Did you know?

Local Law 4 – Local Government controlled Areas, Roads & Facilities

Local Law No 4 (Local Government controlled Areas, Roads and Facilities) 2011 allows Councils to protect the health and safety of persons using local government controlled land, facilities, infrastructure and roads and preserve features of the natural and built environment and other aspects of the amenity.

This Local Law sets out the regulations of access to local government controlled areas, and the prohibition or restriction of particular activities on local government controlled areas or roads, and miscellaneous matters affecting roads.

A full list and maps of the **identified local government controlled areas** in the Rockhampton Region are available in Schedule 6 of the Subordinate Local Law.

Did you know the following are **prohibited activities** for local government controlled areas or roads?

- Obstructing or interfering with a person who is a local government employee or a contractor in the performance of their duties
- Injuring, misusing, defacing, marking or otherwise damaging a building or structure in a local government controlled area
- Distributing any leaflet or advertisement, selling or buying any article in a Council cemetery
- Interfering with any turf, tree, shrub or plant in a Council cemetery, caravan park, park and or reserve
- Camping, sleeping, occupying or remaining overnight in a local government controlled area unless it is a caravan park or camping ground
- Using facilities in a way that makes them unclean or unsanitary in a Council caravan park, park or reserve
- Parking or standing a vehicle bearing a sign or advertisement that the vehicle is offered for sale or hire
- Parking or leave standing, an unregistered vehicle on a road
- Creating a nuisance on a road within the local government area
- Carrying out maintenance or repairs to a vessel on a boat ramp
- Obstructing another person's use of a boat ramp or landing
- Riding an animal on a boat ramp or a landing
- Bathing in any ornamental pond or lake in a Council park or reserve
- Entering into a Council swimming pool whilst intoxicated or under the influence of a stupefying drug
- Entering into a Council swimming pool if the person has an infectious or contagious disease, illness or skin complaint
- Swimming or bathing in the Fitzroy River Barrage or any creek within 200m upstream or 400m downstream of the barrage
- Behaving in a manner which is likely to encourage a crocodile attack, such as fishing whilst standing in knee deep water or on a log overhanging water
- Cleaning or gutting a fish or disposing of scraps on or near a boat ramp or landing

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Did you know the following are **restricted activities** for local government controlled areas or roads?

- Entering or remaining at a local government office unless it is a public place
- Busking to entertain the public and seeking voluntary reward for the performance
- Washing, cleansing, painting, repairing or maintenance of a vehicle on a road
- Installing a gate and/or a grid across a road
- Erecting or installing a memorial to a deceased person
- Conducting a social gathering or meeting of more than 50 people in a park or reserve
- Anchoring, mooring or placing a vessel in the water around a boat ramp or a landing
- Conducting a swimming club, learn to swim or life saving training at a Council swimming pool
- Bringing a motor vehicle onto, or driving a motor vehicle on a beach, the area of bathing reserve or foreshore

A person must not engage in a prohibited activity or a restricted activity without an approval.

Council may **temporarily and/or permanently close** a local government controlled area to public access to carry out construction, maintenance, repair or restoration work, or to protect the health and safety of a person or the security of a person's property, or because of a fire or other natural disaster, or to conserve or protect the cultural or natural resources of the area or native wildlife.

Did you know **land adjoining a road** may be required to be fenced to prevent the risk of animals escaping from the land and creating interference with the safe movement of traffic or the safe use of the road? The owner of the land may be required by Council to fence the land if not currently fenced, or repair or replace the fence if a current fence is in disrepair. Council may also set minimum standards that the fence must comply with.

Did you know the owner of land must not adopt a number for a building or allotment that is inconsistent with a numbering system adopted by Council and must display the number allocated on the allotment (other than vacant land) so it is easily identified from the adjoining road?

Did you know Council may give notice to the owner of land adjoining or adjacent to a road to perform work on the land or the road to protect public health, safety or amenity, or prevent environmental harm, environmental nuisance, or interference with the safe movement of traffic or the safe use of a road?

Full details are available in Local Law No 4 (Local Government controlled Areas, Faculties and Roads) 2011 and the associated Subordinate Local Law.

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