

Division 3: Agricultural Use Code**About the Agricultural Use Code**

- The Agricultural Use Code regulates Agriculture and Intensive Agriculture uses, whether they are Self assessable, Code assessable or Impact assessable.
- The Code would therefore apply to the general growing of plants or crops, as a new use of land.
- The Code regulates the location of new uses in terms of their potential impacts on the amenity of nearby residential uses, and the road network.
- Other potential impacts of the uses, such as on water resources and important habitats, are regulated through the relevant Zone Code and Overlays.

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The provisions in this division comprise the Agricultural Use Code. They are;

(i) The Purpose of the Agricultural Use Code - Section (2); and

(ii) The Specific Outcomes, Probable Solutions and Acceptable Solutions for Agricultural Uses – Table 6.3.1.

(2) The Purpose of the Agricultural Use Code

The purpose of the Agricultural Use Code is to achieve the following overall outcomes;

Agriculture and Intensive Agriculture uses are;

(i) Located where the potential impacts upon the amenity of the area are minimised; and

(ii) Located where there is adequate vehicular access to service the use, without detriment to the road network's efficiency and safety.

TABLE 6.3.1 AGRICULTURAL USE CODE

Specific outcomes (S) for Code and Impact assessable development	Probable Solutions (P) for Code and Impact assessable development; and Acceptable Solutions (A) for Self assessable development. (where Self assessable development does not meet the Acceptable Solutions in the applicable codes, it requires Code assessment. Refer to Section 1.2.9).
<i>All Agriculture and Intensive Agriculture</i>	
Separation Distances	
<p>S1 Agriculture and Intensive Agriculture uses are located; (i) Away from urban areas and residential uses, to protect the amenity from the impacts of agricultural activities; and (ii) In a manner which satisfies the provisions of the <i>Planning Guidelines: Separating Agricultural and Residential Uses</i>.</p>	<p>P/A1.1 Agriculture and Intensive Agriculture uses are setback from uses in the Residential Use Class, in accordance with Schedule A of the Rural Zone Code.</p>
<p>S2 Harvesting, packing and loading of produce is conducted in a manner that minimises impacts on the amenity of the locality.</p>	<p>P/A2.1 Where located within 1000m of any use in the Residential Use Class, whether on adjoining land or not, the operation of equipment and machinery, and the use of outdoor lighting is limited to the following; (i) Monday to Saturday - 7am to 7pm; and (ii) Sunday and Public Holidays - 8am to 7pm.</p>
<i>All Intensive Agriculture</i>	
Road Network	
<p>S3 Augmentation of the existing road network is provided to the extent necessary to service intensive agricultural uses.</p>	<p>P3.1 External road works, whether new road construction or the upgrade of existing roads, are undertaken to provide a road network designed to the standards specified in the Development Standards Code – Works - Roads.</p>