

ROAD, STREET AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE LIGHTING POLICY

COMMUNITY POLICY



1 Scope

This policy applies to all road, street and public open spaces lighting located in roads, streets and public open spaces under the control of Rockhampton Regional Council and within the Region.

2 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure the provision of road, street and public open spaces lighting is efficient, effective and conducive to the safe and comfortable movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic at night and discourages illegal and anti-social acts.

3 Related Documents

3.1 Primary

Nil

3.2 Secondary

Local Government Act 2009

Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1158 (0-6) Lighting for Roads and Public Spaces

Capricorn Municipal Development Guidelines

Road, Street and Public Open Spaces Lighting Procedure

Road, Street and Public Open Spaces Lighting Prioritisation Guideline

Road, Street and Public Open Spaces Lighting Provisional Standards Guideline

Rockhampton Region Planning Scheme

4 Definitions

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions apply:

Council	Rockhampton Regional Council
Public Open Space	Land held by the local government in freehold or leasehold, or as trustee of a reserve, that is generally accessible to the community and provides for a range of sport, recreation, cultural, entertainment or leisure pursuits.
Region	Rockhampton Regional Area defined by the Local Government Areas of Queensland.

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Road	As defined in section 59 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> : (a) An area of land that is dedicated to public use as a road; or (b) An area of land that: (i) Is developed for, or has as one of its main uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles; and (ii) Is open to, or used by, the public; or (c) A footpath or bicycle path; or (d) A bridge, culvert, ford, tunnel or viaduct. However, a road does not include: (a) A State-controlled road; or (b) A public thoroughfare easement.
Street	A public thoroughfare, usually paved, in a village, town or city, including the footpath or footpaths.
The relevant Australian Standards	AS/NZS 1158 (0-6) Lighting for Roads and Public Spaces.

5 Policy Statement

The provision of road, street and public open space lighting is to be provided in accordance with the lighting categories contained in the relevant Australian Standards. These categories are category V lighting and category P lighting.

5.1 Category V Lighting

Category V lighting is applicable to roads and streets on which the visual requirements of motorists are dominant, for example, traffic routes.

5.2 Category P Lighting

Category P lighting is applicable to:

- (a) Roads, streets and pathways on which the visual requirements of pedestrians are dominant; and
- (b) Outdoor public areas and carparks, where the visual requirements of pedestrians are dominant.

5.3 Staged Implementation

Council recognises that it is technically difficult and cost prohibitive to meet the intent of this policy in the short to medium term for areas already developed. Therefore Council stages the provision of lighting for roads, streets and public open spaces to meet the relevant Australian Standards as funds allow. Provision of lighting within new developments must be in accordance with the Rockhampton Region Planning Scheme and the Capricorn Municipal Development Guidelines.

Consideration is given to the upgrading or installation of new lighting schemes in developed areas as part of Council's capital budget program. Requests for improved lighting are assessed with respect to the following relevant factors:

- (a) The proportion of night time use of the road/facility;
- (b) Volume of vehicles;
- (c) Pedestrian and cycle activity and their interaction during night time use;
- (d) Historical or expected night accident or incident rate;
- (e) Environmental impacts associated with spill lighting and glare; and
- (f) The competing needs of other Council controlled roads or facilities.

It is not the intent of Council's policy to provide lighting for or on privately owned premises or privately

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owned public spaces.

Requests for removal or alteration of existing or recently installed lighting are not supported unless there is no detriment to the lighting scheme meeting the relevant Australian Standard now or in the future and the requestor funds the removal or alteration.

Road, street and public open space lighting is provided in accordance with the Road, Street and Public Open Space Lighting Procedure.

6 Review Timelines

This policy is reviewed when any of the following occur:

- (a) The related information is amended or replaced; or
- (b) Other circumstances as determined from time to time by the Council.

7 Document Management

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