

GUIDELINES - KEEPING OF PIGEONS WITHIN RESIDENTIAL ZONES

This information sheet summarises and explains Council's requirements with regards to the keeping of pigeons within residential zones.

Guidelines

Please find herewith standards set by the State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 Part 2 Division 1 Subdivision 4 Clause 2.8.

The development must:

- a) be for residential uses only, and
- b) not have a floor area of more than 10m², and
- c) be not higher than 2.4m above ground level (existing), and
- d) be located in the rear yard and at least 900mm from each side and rear boundary, and
- f) have an impervious floor, and
- g) be constructed or installed so that roof water is disposed of without causing a nuisance to adjoining owners, and
- h) not be more than 2 developments per lot.

Council requests that you:

- Ensure all food is kept in vermin proof containers and be stored appropriately so as to avoid attracting vermin.
- Ensure pigeon lofts are regularly cleaned and maintained in a healthy condition by removing food scraps, pigeon faeces or feathers which may create a food source and/or attract vermin.
- Ensure that pigeons are exercised and released from their lofts for a period of one hour intervals, twice a day. Exercising of birds should not occur between 8:00am and 3:30pm so that any possibilities of nuisances occurring are minimized.
- On no account should birds be allowed to roost on neighbouring buildings. "Open" lofts are not permitted.
- Ensure that health and noise nuisances are not created which may adversely impact on persons in the immediate vicinity.

Should Council receive notification of justified nuisances the owner of the pigeons may be directed to remove the birds from your premises.

For further information

Should you require additional information or advice, please contact Council's Customer Service team on 9725-0222.