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Animal Permit Application Conditions Guard Dog

NOTE:

Applicants should note that regardless of whether you are required to obtain a permit, local law states that you must comply with the relevant *Minimum Standards for the Keeping of Animals*.

When is a guard dog permit required?

A guard dog permit is required for using a dog which is released on commercial premises without a handler for the purpose or apparent purpose of acting as a deterrent to intruders.

Who must apply?

The person who uses the dog must apply for a permit, that is the owner or occupier of the land on which the dog is released, or the proprietor of the business which is using the dog to protect its premises.

Fee

The appropriate fee is required for a commercially hired guard dog permit.

Animal permit conditions

These conditions are standard conditions which will ordinarily be imposed on all permits required to keep a type of animal or carry out an activity. *They do not limit Council's power to set further conditions on a particular permit pursuant to the local law.*

Guard dogs specific

1. No more than four dogs over the age of three months to be kept at one place.
2. A guard dog must be kept behind a secure fence or enclosure which is adequate to prevent the dog from escaping and which is constructed to a standard approved by Council.
3. A Council approved warning sign must be clearly displayed adjacent to each entrance to any property where a guard dog is being kept or used.
4. The warning sign must provide a 24 hour contact number.
5. A guard dog must be confined in a secure enclosure at all times when the public has access to the property where the guard dog is being held or used.
6. A guard dog must be fitted with a microchip approved by Council.

7. A guard dog must wear at all times a Council approved guard dog collar.
8. If a guard dog is declared dangerous under the local law, the conditions of a dangerous dog order will apply to the keeping of that dog, in addition to the conditions of the guard dog permit. In the event of any conflict the conditions of a dangerous dog order will prevail.

NOTE: *All guard dogs must be registered and must wear a valid registration tag on their collar.*

Minimum standards for the keeping of animals

All animals

1. The animal must be fully vaccinated. Vaccinations must be carried out according to the program recommended for the particular animal by the Australian Veterinary Association.
2. All faeces and urine to be disposed of without causing a risk to the health and safety of any person and without causing environmental harm. Environmental harm is defined in the local law as having the meaning given in the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.
3. Animals must not be kept in a manner which:
 - (a) endangers or is likely to endanger the health of any person or animal; or
 - (b) causes a nuisance of any kind to the occupiers of premises in the surrounding area, e.g. barking.

Application lodgement options

By mail: *Do not pin, staple or fold cheque*

Return completed application with a cheque made payable to Brisbane City Council to:

Brisbane City Council
GPO Box 1434
BRISBANE QLD 4001

In person: *EFTPOS available*

At Brisbane City Council's Customer Service Centres or Regional Business Centres

For further information

Please contact Brisbane City Council on (07) **3403 8888** or visit Council's website at **www.brisbane.qld.gov.au**