

BUILDING SITES

LOCAL LAW EXTRACT | MELTON CITY COUNCIL

The General Local Law is designed to provide services that protect and enhance the safety, health and amenity of the municipality and its residents and visitors. It defines standards which should be adhered to when building works are undertaken.

- The Local Law protects assets, such as footpaths, vehicle crossovers and nature strips from damage during the building process.
- The Local Law aims to minimise hazards and promote health and safety standards for people attending, passing by, or living adjacent to building sites.
- The Local Law aims to educate persons involved in building work to act responsibly to reduce litter and damage to public assets.
- The Local Law prohibits and controls the presence and disposal of refuse, rubbish and soil on building sites in the City of Melton to reduce hazards to the environment and maintain public amenity.

Please note that this publication does not in any way replace the total requirements of the Melton City Council Local Law. This publication only contains a selection of the General Local Law. To view the relevant section of the Local Law, please visit Council's website at melton.vic.gov.au/locallaw



CLAUSE 61

Prior to the commencement of any Building Work, the Owner, Builder or Appointed Agent must erect a sign at the main entrance to the Building Site which:

- Is at least 600 millimetres in height and 400 millimetres in width; and
- Is placed in such a location as to be clearly legible in normal lighting conditions from the Road immediately adjacent to the front boundary; and
- Contains the lot number as described in the relevant certificate of title; and
- Identifies the name, postal address and the 24 hour contact telephone number or numbers of the Person in charge of the Building Work.



CLAUSE 63.1 & 63.2

Prior to the commencement of any Building Work, the Owner, Builder or Appointed Agent must erect a fence around the entire perimeter of a Building Site which:

- Is not less than 1500mm in height;
- Is capable of preventing litter from being transported from the Building Site by wind;
- Has not more than one access opening which is located to correspond with the vehicle crossing referable to the Building Site.

The Owner, Builder or Appointed Agent must ensure that the site fencing referred to in subclause 63.1 is maintained at all times and remains in place for the duration of the Building Work.



CLAUSE 60.1

The Owner of a Building Site, Builder, and each employee or agent of a Builder, engaged to carry out Building Works on the Building Site must ensure that:

- A Refuse Facility is placed on the Building Site on commencement of any Building Works; and
- A Refuse Facility is kept on the Building Site for the deposit of Building Refuse; and
- The lid on the Refuse Facility remains closed at all times except when placing Building Refuse in the Refuse Facility; and The Refuse Facility is emptied immediately as it becomes full or at the discretion of an Authorised Officer; and
- All windblown Building Refuse created or accumulated on the Building Site is deposited into the Refuse Facility upon the Building Refuse being created or accumulated; and
- The Refuse Facility is removed from the Building Site within 7 days of the cessation of Building Work
- A Person must not, without first obtaining a Permit nor otherwise than in accordance with the conditions of such Permit, place or allow to be placed within a Road or Council Land any Bulk Waste Container.
- If the Bulk Waste Container is placed on council land, the Bulk Waste Container Permit holder must remove all waste within a 3 metre radius of the refuse facility, or any waste that has spilt or been blown from the refuse facility.



CLAUSE 62.1

Where any Building Work is carried out on a Building Site that necessitates the employment of staff, or the engagement of other contractors or sub-contractors, the Person in Charge must ensure that:

- a) A temporary toilet with hand washing facilities is provided on Building Site at all times, and is of a type approved by Council; and
- b) Servicing, maintenance and location of temporary toilets is to the satisfaction of Council



CLAUSES 60.1 (VIII) & 63.1B

The owner, builder, and each employee or agent of a builder, engaged to carry out Building Works on the Building Site must ensure that:

- a) All materials and refuse for or from the Building Site is contained within the boundaries of the Building Site.
- b) A fence is erected around the entire perimeter of a Building Site which is capable of preventing litter from being transported from the Building Site by wind.

DEFINITION: Litter includes any solid or liquid domestic or commercial waste, refuse, debris or rubbish and, without limiting the generality of the above, includes any waste glass, metal, plastic, paper, fabric, wood, food, soil, sand, concrete or rocks, abandoned vehicles, abandoned vehicle parts and garden remnants and clippings, but does not include any gases, dust or smoke or any waste that is produced or emitted during, or as a result of, any of the normal operations of the mining, building or manufacturing industry or of any primary industry



CLAUSE 60.1 (IX)

The Owner of a Building Site, Builder, and each employee or agent of a Builder, engaged to carry out Building Works on the Building Site must ensure that any mud or slurry remains on the Building Site and that any Vehicle exiting the Building Site does not carry any mud or slurry onto the adjoining or nearby Road.



CLAUSES 60.1B(VIII) & 64.1E

Waffle pods should be secured on site and in a fashion that will not allow them to break free in any wind conditions (secured to the site by means of netting attached to anchoring points).

Discarded waffle pods should be:

- bagged and secured to the site until removal
- removed from site within 48 hours of the completion of the slab pour.

Prior to the commencement of any Building Work, the Owner, Builder or Appointed Agent must erect a fence around the entire perimeter of a building site with is fitted with 1,500mm high gates that prevent litter from being transported from the building site by wind.



CLAUSE 64E

The Owner or Occupier of a Property must not allow unconstrained refuse, rubbish, rubble, demolished or discarded materials from Building Work or other matter to accumulate on the Property so as to constitute a hazard to the health or safety of any Person.

DEFINITION: Property includes land on which no Building is constructed, Buildings, Building Sites and Retail Premises.



CLAUSES 38.2 & 25

In addition to a Building Permit, a Person must obtain a non transferable Asset Protection Permit to carry out or allow to be carried out Building Works on a Property.

Asset Protection Permit may be subject to such conditions as Council determines, such as; Requiring a temporary Vehicle Crossing to be installed to Council's specification before commencement of any Building Works or delivery of any equipment or materials to the Property.

A Person must not access a Property in a Vehicle other than via a temporary or permanent Vehicle Crossing.

The permit holder is responsible for the repair, replacement or reinstatement of any Council assets or infrastructure damaged during building works.