

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Local Laws



Regulated Parking

From 14 November 2011, Western Downs Regional Council is working under a new set of local laws to replace the local laws of the former Council areas and provide consistency across Western Downs. These local laws provide new or amended provisions in relation to regulated parking.

Why regulate parking?

Council regulates parking to ensure the efficient use of parking spaces within business areas, and safety of motorists and pedestrians throughout the region. It also helps to ensure that suitable spaces are regularly available for disabled persons.

What is new?

With the introduction of these local laws, regulated parking infringement values have changed. The infringement notice value is now \$15 for all infringements, other than stopping contrary to a people with disabilities parking sign, which will now be \$37.50.

What areas does this affect?

Whilst this local law is for the entire Western Downs Region, Dalby presently has the only regulated parking and regulated off street parking areas. It is important to note however, that Queensland Police Service have the powers to issue infringement notices for parking offences under *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995.*

Temporary Parking Permits

Temporary parking permits may be issued for people to park in a designated space, contrary to the official parking sign. These permits are available for businesses immediately adjacent the parking space, for a temporary activity where it is not reasonably practical for the applicant to carry on the temporary activity without exclusive use of the parking space.



Community Service Organisation Parking Permit

A community service organisation parking permit may be issued to a person engaged in a community service organisation to enable the person to undertake an activity which is consistent with the objectives of the organisation. This form of parking permit may only be issued where parking is regulated by time and the issue of the parking permit would not unduly impede the flow of the traffic.

Works Zone Parking Permit

A works zone parking permit may be issued to a business where they are undertaking lawful building works of a site immediately adjacent to the part of the road and it is not reasonably practical for all work activity to be confined within the site.

How do I apply for a Parking Permit?

In accordance with Subordinate Local Law No. 1.17 (Parking Contrary to an Indication on an Official Traffic Sign Regulating Parking by Time or Payment of a Fee) 2011, approval must be sought for a parking permit. This may be done by completing an Application for Approval of Parking Permit and returning to Council with the relevant attachments and fees indicated in the application. This form can be found on Council's website, or by visiting your local Customer Service Centre.

How long is a permit valid for?

Approved permit times vary according to the needs of the applicant. Temporary parking permits and works zone parking permits are limited to the term of the proposed temporary activity or construction work. Community service organisation parking permits are issued for a period at the discretion of Council, based on the information provided in the application.

For further information, contact Council:

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