

CITY OF BELMONT

THE KEEPING OF THREE DOGS

The City of Belmont's Consolidated Local Law 2020 and the *Dog Act 1976* limit the number of dogs on a premises to two dogs over the age of 3 months and the young of those dogs that are under the age of 3 months.

The City may give an exemption for three dogs to be kept at a premises subject to certain conditions.

The application to keep three dogs will only be considered by Council if the following criteria are met:

- **Two of the dogs must be currently registered with the third dog, if approved, to be registered within 14 days of approval being given;**
- **The dogs are not to be used for breeding purposes;**
- **The dogs are not of a restricted breed or declared a dangerous dog;**
- **The non-refundable application fee must be paid when lodging the forms;**
- **The Lot size where the dogs reside must be 500 square metres or greater, (although Council may determine that a larger area is necessary, dependent on the type / breed of the dogs in question);**
- **The suitable fenced or enclosed area of the premises is to have a minimum of 100m² of adequately maintained grassed area and depending on the breeds of dogs a larger area may be necessary as decided by the Council;**
- **Where the applicant does not own the property, a letter of support is required from the owner of the property for the application to be assessed.**

Application Fee: \$50.00

Please note that the Application Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE.

Should a received application meet the above criteria, a Ranger will conduct a property inspection to determine the demeanour and condition of the dogs and if there are means on the premises to effectively confine the dogs in accordance with the requirements of the Dog Act and the Consolidated Local Law.

Any history or current incidence of dog nuisance, wandering or control that is likely to impact on the surrounding community is also taken into account when considering an application.

Comments or objections from neighbours will also be sought through correspondence mailed directly to the occupiers of those properties in close proximity to the applicant's property.

Conditions will be placed on any approval to keep three dogs. Contravention of the conditions, the *Dog Act 1976* or the Consolidated Local Law may result in the exemption being revoked at any time.

Please note that:

- A review of applications, pending or approved, may also occur at any stage if it is found that you have contravened any of the above conditions and approval may be revoked or varied at any time;
- In the event that any of the registered dogs at the property, approved by the City, become deceased or are relocated on a permanent basis to another property, such additional dog or dogs shall not be replaced at the approved property unless a subsequent application and application fee has been submitted and approved by the City.

If you require any further information please contact the Ranger Service on 9477 7224.

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Application to Keep Three Dogs

Applicant Details

Name: _____

Address at which the dogs are to be kept: _____

Lot size of property (in square metres): _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Date of Birth (applicant must be over 18 years of age): _____

Description of dogs:

Name of Dog	Breed	Age	Sex	Sterilised	Registration Number

Reason for request to keep three dogs (if more space is required please attach a separate statement)



Does the property have a sufficient grassed area for the dogs to use? Please elaborate including size of grassed area in square metres:

Type of fences and gates for the containment of the dogs: _____

How you will be accommodating your responsibility to the pet's requirements for:

a) Training: _____

b) Regular Exercise: _____

c) Excreta Disposal: _____

d) Veterinary Checks / Health Program: _____

Once an application has been received by the City, a Ranger will conduct a property assessment.

Please note that:

- a) Your application may not be approved where your neighbours have valid reasons to object to the keeping of more than two dogs or there is a current or ongoing incidence of dog nuisance;
- b) A review of applications, pending or approved, may also occur at any stage if it is found that you have contravened any of the above conditions and approval may be revoked or varied at any time;
- c) In the event that any of the registered dogs at the property, approved by the City, become deceased or are relocated on a permanent basis to another property, such additional dog or dogs shall not be replaced at the approved property unless a subsequent application has been submitted and approved by the City.
- d) Please note that approval will not be granted if adequate means do not exist at the property to effectively confine the dogs.

The Application Fee of \$50.00 must be paid and a City of Belmont cashier's receipt attached to this application before it can be submitted. This Application Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE regardless of the outcome of your application.

Important: Please read and sign this declaration, applications will not be processed without your signature

Applicant
Signature: _____ Date: _____

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YOUR RIGHT TO LODGE AN APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

You may lodge an application for review whenever the City of Belmont makes a decision that grants, renews, varies or cancels an authorisation under the Local Government Act 1995 or under any local law or regulation that operates as it were a local law.

You may also lodge an application for review whenever Council gives you a notice requiring you as the owner or occupier of the land to do certain things to the land.

If we make a decision that you might consider unfavourable, we will give you a written notice stating the reasons for the decision and inform you of your right to lodge an application of review against the decision.

You may lodge an application of review to the State Administrative Tribunal within 28 days of being given notice of the decision.

The application of review must be in the prescribed form which is available from the State Administrative Tribunal. Application forms can be ordered by telephone (08) 9219 3111 or 1300 306 017, or by post at GPO Box U1991 Perth WA 6845, or are also available online and can be completed electronically using the State Administrative Tribunal website located at www.sat.justice.wa.gov.au.

The completed application for review form, together with any supporting documents and required fees can be posted to the State Administrative Tribunal GPO Box U1991 Perth WA 6845 or delivered in person to Level 4, 12 St Georges Terrace Perth WA.

You must give a copy of the review to the City of Belmont within 7 days of the application being accepted by the State Administrative Tribunal.

Once the State Administrative Tribunal has made a decision on how to dispose of the review, you will be given written notice of how and why the decision was made.

The decision of a review is final and effect is to be given to the decision unless the effect has been suspended.

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