

Intensive Animal Keeping is 'non-complying' in most zones in Kangaroo Island, and is a merit use in the General Farming and General Industry zone.

What is referred to the Environment Protection Authority?

A piggery application that involves "keeping or husbandry in confined or roofed structures" in the case of works of the scale outlined below, will be referred to the Environment Protection Authority as part of the development assessment process. Relevant works include:

As per Schedule 21 Part 4(4), Development Regulations, 2008 (Activities of environmental significance – Animal Husbandry – Piggeries)

- a) "more than 1,000 but less than 5,000 pigs at any one time: or
- b) where the yard or area is situated in a water protection area (as defined for the purposes of the Water Resources Act 1990) – more than 100 but less than 500 pigs at any one time",

As per Schedule 22 Part 5(4), Development Regulations 2008 (Activities of major environmental significance – Animal husbandry – Piggeries)

- a) "5,000 or more pigs at any one time; or
- b) Where the yard or area is situated in a water protection area (as defined for the purposes of the Water Resources Act 1990) – more than 500 pigs at any one time".

An application involving the keeping or husbandry of less than 1000 pigs (or 100 where the yard is located in a water protection area) at any one time will not be referred to the Environment Protection Authority.

Other information

When submitting your application to Council you will need to supply along with the information detailed above:

- a) a detailed site plan indicating all existing structures on the allotment along with all setback distances from the proposed piggery to all boundaries and existing structures and any watercourses on the allotment;
- b) Current Certificate of Title;
- c) structural details including elevations and floor plans of any new buildings to be associated with the piggery;
- d) detailed description of intended use of any proposed structures associated with the piggery;
- e) any other relevant information that would apply to your application;
- f) a completed development application form.

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PIGGERY

Piggery

A piggery is a commercial farm operation in which livestock pigs are raised for the production principally for meat and other animal by-products.

Piggeries are considered to be Intensive Animal Keeping as defined in the Development Regulations 2008:

The keeping or husbandry of animals in a broiler shed, chicken hatchery, feedlot, piggery, poultry battery or other like circumstances...

How is an application assessed?

When considering your application, Council will assess your application against the *Development Regulations 2008* and the Kangaroo Island Development Plan.

Intensive animal keeping should not be located within or adjoining a township, residential area or areas in which residential development is planned.

Piggeries should be located in such a way as to:

- a) Not cause noise, dust and odour problems;
- b) Not cause any adverse impact on the natural environment or amenity of the area;
- c) Not cause any adverse impact on adjoining land uses;
- d) Not cause any adverse impacts on the local community;
- e) Not cause or compound the denudation, erosion or pollution of land;

- f) Not cause or compound the pollution of water resources;
- g) Not be located on waterlogged or flood prone land
- h) Minimize excessive deterioration of soil quality and surface vegetation;
- h) Minimize the possible transmission of disease to another intensive animal keeping operations.
- J) Be incompatible with other development within the locality or the enjoyment of the locality.

Development including all buildings, yards, pens, runs and waste management facilities should:

- a) be located, designed and screened in such a way as to be unobtrusive, particularly when viewed from public roads and scenic roads;
- b) be located no less than three metres from the site boundary;
- c) be located to the rear of any existing dwellings on the site and no closer than 100 metres to any adjoining dwelling;
- d) be located such that they cause no nuisance to nearby residents;
- e) have a site area not less than 50 hectares;
- f) have a two metre wide landscape buffer planted with trees and shrubs around proposed buildings;
- g) ensure that the activity is a minimum of 500 metres from the nearest dwelling on adjoining/ adjacent land;
- h) If they involve rearing sheds or any other building intended to be used for breeding or boarding purposes, have floors or impervious materials which can be readily cleaned;

- i) Not have buildings or structures in excess of 8 metres in height;
- j) have adequate provision for the loading and unloading of vehicles on the site.

Piggery units should not be developed unless all effluent and other wastes are properly managed and disposed of without environmental, health, or water pollution risks and management is in accordance with environmental and health requirements to prevent the pollution of water resources.

All animals kept for intensive purposes should be adequately confined within secure fencing of a design and construction which does not detract from the appearance of the locality. Second-hand or re-used cladding should be of good quality.

An appropriate Management Plan should be prepared detailing all operational and management arrangements for the intensive animal keeping activities including:

- a) the treatment of effluent and other wastes;
- b) the prevention of pollution of water resources;
- c) the prevention of noise, dust and odour;
- d) the minimization of transmission of disease to another intensive animal keeping operation, or any other agricultural / pastoral operation;
- e) visual; obtrusiveness; and
- f) maintenance.