

Paroo Shire Council

Subordinate Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This subordinate local law may be cited as *Subordinate Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011*.

2 Purpose and how it is to be achieved

- (1) The purpose of this subordinate local law is to supplement *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011*, which provides for protecting the environment and public health, safety and amenity within the local government's area.
- (2) The purpose is to be achieved by providing for—
 - (a) declaration of local pests; and
 - (b) prohibition of lighting or maintaining certain fires; and
 - (c) declaration of fire hazards; and
 - (d) declaration of community safety hazards; and
 - (e) prescribed requirements for owners of land containing community safety hazards; and
 - (f) declaration of noise standards.

3 Authorising local law

The making of the provisions in this subordinate local law is authorised by *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011* (the **authorising local law**).

4 Definitions

Particular words used in this subordinate local law have the same meaning as provided for in the authorising local law.

Part 2 Declared local pests

5 Declaration of local pests—Authorising local law, s 6(1)

For section 6(1) of the authorising local law, the animal or plant prescribed in column 1 of schedule 1 is a declared pest in the corresponding part of the local government's area mentioned in column 2 of schedule 1.

6 Persons exempted from introducing etc a declared local pest— Authorising local law, s 12(2)

For section 12(2) of the authorising local law, a person mentioned in column 1 of schedule 2 is exempt from section 12(1) of the authorising local law in relation to introducing, propagating, breeding or providing harbour to a declared local pest mentioned in the corresponding part of column 2 of schedule 2.

Part 3 Overgrown and unsightly allotments

This part in the authorising local law does not contain any matters to be provided for by subordinate local law.

Part 4 Fires and fire hazards

7 Prohibition on lighting or maintaining fires—Authorising local law, s 15(2)

- (1) This section applies to the following fires¹—
- (a) a fire in which neither the height, width nor length of the material to be consumed exceeds 2 metres; and
 - (b) a fire lit for the purpose of burning the carcass of a beast; and
 - (c) a fire lit at a sawmill for the purpose of burning sawdust or other residue resulting from the operation of a sawmill; and
 - (d) a fire lit out-doors, if enclosed in a fireplace so constructed as to prevent the escape of fire or any burning material therefrom.
- (2) For section 15(2) of the authorising local law, lighting or maintaining a fire described in column 2 of schedule 3 is declared to be prohibited in the corresponding part of the local government's area mentioned in column 1 of schedule 3.

8 Fire hazards—Authorising local law, s 16(3)(b)

For section 16(3)(b) of the authorising local law, the following are declared to be fire hazards—

- a) live cinders or hot ash that is not enclosed in a fireplace so constructed as to prevent the escape of cinders or ash;
- b) a substantial accumulation of grass clippings that is liable to spontaneous combustion;
- c) dry vegetation that could be easily ignited or other flammable materials.

¹ Pursuant to a notification by the Fire and Rescue Services Commissioner published in the gazette on 6 August 2004 under section 63 of the *Fire and Rescue Service Act 2004*, the listed fires can generally be lit without a permit issued by a fire warden, provided adequate precautions are taken to prevent the spread of fire and the fire confirms with any local law. Local laws can therefore regulate these types of fire, which is the purpose of this subordinate local law.

Part 5 Community safety hazards

9 Community safety hazards—Authorising local law, s 17(c)

For section 17(c) of the authorising local law, the following are declared to be community safety hazards—

- a) electric fencing; and
- b) unsecured roof sheeting, guttering, sheet metal.

10 Prescribed requirements for community safety hazards—Authorising local law, s 20(1)

For section 20(1) of the authorising local law, owners of land that contains a community safety hazard listed in column 1 of schedule 4 must meet the requirements prescribed in the corresponding part of column 2 of schedule 4.

Part 6 Noise standards

11 Prescribed noise standards—Authorising local law, s 21(2)

- (1) For section 21(2) of the authorising local law, the noise standard in column 2 of schedule 5 is prescribed for the section of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*, chapter 8, part 3B, division 3 stated in column 1 of schedule 5.
- (2) For section 21(2) of the authorising local law, the noise standard in column 2 of schedule 5 applies in the corresponding part of the local government's area mentioned in column 3 of schedule 5.

Part 7 Miscellaneous

This part in the authorising local law does not contain any matters to be provided for by subordinate local law.

Schedule 1 Declared local pests

Section 5

Note –

This schedule has been retained but left intentionally blank to accommodate possible future declared pests under section 6(1) of the *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011*.

Schedule 2 Persons exempted from offence of introducing etc declared local pest

Section 6(2)

Note –

This schedule has been retained but left intentionally blank to accommodate possible future exempted persons under section 12(2) of the *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011*.

Schedule 3 Prohibited fires

Section 7(2)

	Column 1 Applicable part of local government's area	Column 2 Prohibited fire
1	All Council controlled land	A fire that is not in a fireplace, barbeque or incinerator constructed by the local government.
2	Entire Local Government area	(a) A fire from which the smoke or other products of combustion are likely to cause irritation, annoyance or distress to others. (b) A fire that exposes property to the risk or damage of destruction by fire.

Schedule 4 Prescribed requirements for community safety hazards

Section 10

Column 1 Community safety hazard	Column 2 Prescribed requirements to be met by owner of land
1 Electric fencing	<p>(a) An electric fence shall not be erected or used within the area of a township or near swimming pools or dams used for swimming.</p> <p>(b) All electric fences shall carry warning signs placed at intervals of not less than one hundred metres along any section of such fence where members of the public might reasonably be expected to touch the fence.</p> <p>(c) An electric fence shall be so located that telephone lines, power lines, radio or television aerials shall not make contact with the fence, including contact likely to result in the event of damage to the fence or such power lines, radio or television aerials.</p> <p>(d) Should it be necessary to construct an electric fence parallel to an electric authority power line or telephone line, the fence shall be located not less than fifty (50) metres from the power line or telephone line.</p> <p>(e) An electric fence shall not be earthed to another electrical wiring or plumbing or any building or structure.</p> <p>(f) Uninsulated output wires shall not contact any building or structure.</p> <p>(g) The electric fence energiser shall be installed in a sheltered position, protected from weather.</p> <p>(h) Fencing must be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with AS/NZS 3014:2003.</p> <p>(i) Fencing for security must be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with AS/NZS 016:2002.</p>
2 Unsecured roof sheeting, guttering, sheet metal.	Any materials not fixed to a structure to be weighted down or tied down to prevent them from becoming airborne during high winds.

Schedule 5 Prescribed noise standards

Section 11

Note –

This schedule has been retained but left intentionally blank to accommodate possible future prescribed noise standards under section 21(2) of the *Local Law No. 3 (Community and Environment Management) 2011*.