

Rangers Department

How Many Dogs Am I Able To Keep On My Property

A person is able to keep two registered dogs on a property. Should they wish to retain any further dogs they must first obtain permission from the Shire.

The steps that an applicant is required to follow when applying for permission to retain more than the prescribed number of dogs (2) are:-

- ◆ First notify neighbours of his/her intention to apply to keep extra dog/s.
- ◆ Get letters from all neighbours, giving their name address and contact numbers as to whether they agree or disagree to the intentions, of having an additional dog on the property.
- ◆ When the letters have been obtained the applicant must write to the Shire and apply for permission to retain the extra dog/s.
- ◆ The applicant must be able to guarantee that all dogs that will be retained on the premises will be adequately contained (fences capable of keeping dogs from escaping).
- ◆ The Shire must approve the request to retain more than the prescribed number of dogs (2) on any property and all neighbours must also be agreeable.
- ◆ Ranger services will then inspect the property to see that the property is adequately fenced and that there is sufficient room on the property for the additional dog/s.
- ◆ Should the applicant be successful in gaining permission to retain extra dog/s, he/she should be made aware that permission may be withdrawn at any time, if sufficient evidence is produced that would convince the Shire that the extra dog/s are creating a problem in the district.
- ◆ Should the applicant be successful in gaining permission to retain extra dog/s, he/she will be permitted to retain only the animals that have been approved by the Shire. Should any of the animals be rehoused, or pass away, the applicant is not permitted to purchase or obtain another dog to replace the one no longer under his/her control, unless they apply the same process that was required in the initial application to retain further dog/s.

If you have any queries please contact
Ranger Services on (08) 9191 0999