



Domestic Animal Keeping Fact Sheet

AVIARY BIRDS

Local Law No. 4 (Animal Management) 2002 and Subordinate Local Law No. 4.1 (Animal Management) 2002 provide residents with consistent rules and recognise our urban, rural and semi-rural lifestyles.

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All premises are allowed to keep up to two birds in an enclosure. The size of each bird affects the minimum enclosure sizes. Assessment is required under Council's planning scheme to keep more than the approved number of birds such as sulphur crested cockatoos, galahs etc, as this is considered a development activity. No other approvals apply.

Enclosure requirements

The following standards are outlined in the Aviculture Code of Practice

Minimum indoor or suspended cage dimensions

| Size of bird (approximate length - millimetres) | Minimum floor area (square metres) | Number of birds | Minimum height of enclosure (millimetres) | Increased floor area for each additional bird (square metres) |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------|---|---|
| 100 | 0.1 | 2 | 340 | 0.1 |
| 200 | 0.16 | 2 | 340 | 0.1 |
| 300 | 0.5 | 2 | 900 | 0.25 |
| 400 | 1 | 2 | 900 | 0.6 |
| 500 | 2.25 | 2 | 1,500 | 0.85 |
| 900 | 4 | 2 | 1,500 | 1.4 |

Minimum outdoor aviary dimensions

| Size of bird (approximate length - millimetres) | Minimum floor area (square metres) | Number of birds | Minimum height (millimetres) | Increased floor area for each additional bird (square metres) |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---|
| 100 | 0.37 | 2 | 1,800 | 0.18 |
| 200 | 0.72 | 2 | 1,800 | 0.36 |
| 300 | 1 | 2 | 1,800 | 0.5 |
| 400 | 1.5 | 2 | 1,800 | 0.75 |
| 500 | 2.5 | 2 | 1,800 | 1.25 |
| 900 | 5 | 2 | 1,800 | 2.5 |

Enclosures must be:

- Constructed to prevent the escape of the bird/s.
- Cleaned at least once a week.

Enclosures must not be:

- within 900 mm of a boundary of the prescribed premises
- within 10 metres of a dwelling unit developed on the premises other than the prescribed premises.

General requirements

Bird keepers cannot keep more birds than what is specified.

The owner and keeper of the bird/s must ensure that keeping the bird/s does not result in:

- bird faeces build up
- breeding or harbouring of flies or vermin
- damage to property
- harm to human health or safety or personal injury
- nuisance
- significant disturbance, inconvenience or annoyance to a person's enjoyment of their place of residence