



4.5.2 Aquaculture and Intensive Animal Husbandry Code

Purpose

The purpose of this Code is to ensure that:

- Aquaculture and Intensive Animal Husbandry are established on suitable Sites;
- Aquaculture, Intensive Animal Husbandry and associated activities do not adversely affect the amenity of residential areas or residential uses; and
- Aquaculture and Intensive Animal Husbandry do not have adverse impacts on the environment.

Applicability

This Code applies to assessable development for a Material Change of Use for Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry.

Elements of the Code

Site Location and Suitability

| | PERFORMANCE CRITERIA | ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS |
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| P1 | The Site has sufficient area to accommodate the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility and to achieve adequate Setbacks. | No Acceptable Solution. (Information that the Council may request to demonstrate compliance with the Performance Criteria is outlined in Planning Scheme Policy No 10 – Reports and Information the Council May Request, for code and impact assessable development). |
| P2 | The establishment of Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry does not interfere with coastal processes or affect native vegetation. | A2.1 The area of the Site containing the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility is not located below Highest Astronomical Tide. A2.2 The establishment of the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility does not involve the removal of littoral, riparian or other remnant endemic vegetation. |
| P3 | The establishment of Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry does not result in the alienation of GQAL unless there is a lack of alternative Sites and an overriding need for the development. | A3.1 The area of the Site containing the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility is not classified as GQAL under the State Planning Policy. |



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| <p>P4 The topography of the Site is suitable for the intended use.</p> | <p>A4.1 The area of the Site containing the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility has a slope less than 10%.</p> <p>A4.2 The area of the Site containing the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry Facility is located above the Q100 flood level.</p> |
| <p>P5 The Site is provided with appropriate Access so that the use may operate effectively and efficiently.</p> | <p>A5.1 Access to the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry Facility is provided via a Road constructed to a rural all-weather standard, as a minimum standard.</p> |
| <p>P6 The establishment of Intensive Animal Husbandry does not adversely affect existing or planned urban areas.</p> | <p>A6.1 The Site is not less than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5000 metres from any Residential 1, Residential 2 or Tourist and Residential Planning Area; • 1000 metres from any Rural Settlement Planning Area; and • 1000 metres from any community facilities where people gather, such as community halls or schools. |
| <p>P7 The establishment of Aquaculture does not adversely affect existing or planned residential or community uses.</p> | <p>A7.1 The Site is not less than 300 metres from any Residential 1, Residential 2, Tourist and Residential or Rural Settlement Planning Areas or any community facility where people gather such as community halls or schools.</p> |



Site Management

| PERFORMANCE CRITERIA | | ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS | |
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| P8 | Buildings, pens, other structures, ponds and waste disposal areas are sited, constructed and managed so that the maximum number of animals intended to be kept or processed on the Site can be accommodated without having any significant adverse environmental impacts outside the Site ³⁶ . | A8.1 | Barriers are provided and maintained to prevent the escape of animals. |
| | | A8.2 | Waste disposal areas are situated only where there is minimal risk of contaminating any groundwater supply or surface water resource, and are of an adequate size to provide for the amount of waste generated on the Site. |

Amenity

| PERFORMANCE CRITERIA | | ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS | |
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| P9 | Buildings/structures, ponds and waste disposal areas are designed and sited so that the Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry facility does not impact on the amenity of the area and does not have significant adverse environmental impacts outside the Site. | A9.1 | Buildings, pens, other structures, ponds and waste disposal areas are sited clear of any Watercourse or any environmentally sensitive area. |

Noise and Odour

| PERFORMANCE CRITERIA | | ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS | |
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| P10 | The establishment of Aquaculture or Intensive Animal Husbandry does not create unacceptable levels of odour or noise. | | No Acceptable Solution ³⁷ . (Information that the Council may request to demonstrate compliance with the Performance Criteria is outlined in Planning Scheme Policy No 10 – Reports and Information the Council May Request, for code and impact assessable development). |

³⁶ Development and management of the site may need to satisfy State Government requirements.

³⁷ Environmental Protection Agency requirements may apply.



Treatment and Disposal of Waste

| PERFORMANCE CRITERIA | ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS |
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| P11 The treatment and disposal of waste and waste water does not have adverse impacts on the environment. | No Acceptable Solution. (Information that the Council may request to demonstrate compliance with the Performance Criteria is outlined in Planning Scheme Policy No 10 – Reports and Information the Council May Request, for code and impact assessable development). |