

6.2.7 Low-medium density residential zone code

6.2.7.1 Application

- (1) This code applies to assessing development in the Low-medium density residential zone.
- (2) When using this code, reference should be made to Part 5.

6.2.7.2 Purpose

- (1) The purpose of the Low-medium density residential zone code is to provide for a range and mix of dwelling types including dwelling houses and multiple dwellings supported by community uses and small-scale services and facilities that cater for local residents.
- (2) The local government purpose of the code is to:
 - (a) implement the policy direction set in the Strategic Framework, in particular:
 - (i) Theme 1 : Settlement pattern, Element 3.4.2 – Urban settlement, Element 3.4.5 Residential areas and activities, Element 3.4.7 – Mitigation of hazards.
 - (ii) Theme 4 : Strong community and identity, Element 3.7.3 – Active communities, Element 3.7.4 – Sense of place, community and identity, Element 3.7.5 – Housing choice and affordability.
 - (iii) Theme 6 : Infrastructure and transport, Element 3.9.2 - Energy, Element 3.9.3 – Water and waste management, Element 3.9.4 Transport, Element 3.9.5 – Information technology.
 - (b) establish a low-medium density residential character consisting predominantly of low-rise 1 and 2 storey dwelling houses, dual occupancies and multiple dwellings.
 - (c) provide for a diversity in housing choice through other housing types to cater for different housing needs and family structures.
 - (d) provide support for compatible small scale non-residential use activities.
 - (e) ensure development occurs on appropriately sized and shaped lots.
- (3) The purpose of the code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:
 - (a) Development provides a range of residential dwelling choices including multiple dwellings and other forms of permanent-living residential development, including Residential care facilities.
 - (b) Development encourages and facilitates urban consolidation and the efficient use of physical and social infrastructure.
 - (c) Development is designed to provide safe and walkable neighbourhoods.
 - (d) Development maintains a high level of residential amenity having regard to traffic, noise, dust, odour, lighting and other locally specific impacts.
 - (e) Development is reflective and responsive to the environmental constraints of the land.
 - (f) Development provides a high level of amenity and is reflective of the surrounding character of the area.
 - (g) Development is supported by necessary community facilities, open space and recreational areas and appropriate infrastructure to support the needs of the local community.

6.2.7.3 Criteria for assessment

Table 6.2.7.3.a – Low-medium density residential zone code – assessable development

Performance outcomes	Acceptable outcomes
For self-assessable and assessable development	
<p>PO1 The height of all buildings and structures must be in keeping with the residential character of the area.</p>	<p>AO1 Buildings and structures are not more than 8.5 metres and two storeys in height.</p> <p>Note – Height is inclusive of roof height.</p>
Setbacks (other than for a dwelling house)	
<p>PO2 Buildings are setback to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) maintain the character of residential neighbourhoods; (b) achieve separation from neighbouring buildings and from road frontages; (c) maintain a cohesive streetscape; (d) provide daylight access, privacy and appropriate landscaping. 	<p>AO2 Buildings are setback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a minimum of 6 metres from the main street frontage; (b) a minimum of 4 metres from any secondary street frontage; (c) 4.5 metres from a rear boundary; (d) 2 metres from a side or an average of half of the height of the building at the side setback, whichever is the greater.
Site coverage	
<p>PO3 The site coverage of all buildings does not result in a built form that is bulky or visually obtrusive.</p>	<p>AO3 The site coverage of any building is limited to 50%.</p>
For assessable development	
<p>PO4 The establishment of uses is consistent with the outcomes sought for the Low-medium density residential zone and protects the zone from the intrusion of inconsistent uses.</p>	<p>AO4 Uses identified in Table 6.2.7.3.b are not established in the Low-medium density residential zone.</p>
<p>PO5 Development is located, designed, operated and managed to respond to the natural characteristics, features and constraints of the site and surrounds.</p> <p>Note – Planning scheme policy – Site assessments provides guidance on identifying the characteristics and features and constraints of a site and its surrounds.</p>	<p>AO5 No acceptable outcomes are prescribed.</p>
<p>PO6 Development does not adversely affect the residential character and amenity of the area in terms of traffic, noise, dust, odour, lighting or other physical or environmental impacts.</p>	<p>AO6 No acceptable outcomes are prescribed.</p>
<p>PO7 New lots contain a minimum area of 450m².</p>	<p>AO7 No acceptable outcomes are prescribed.</p>
<p>PO8 New lots have a minimum road frontage of 15 metres.</p>	<p>AO8 No acceptable outcomes are prescribed.</p>
<p>PO9 New lots contain a 20 metre x 15 metre rectangle.</p>	<p>AO9 No acceptable outcomes are prescribed.</p>

Table 6.2.7.3.b — Inconsistent uses within the Low-medium density residential zone

Inconsistent uses		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult store • Agricultural supplies store • Air services • Animal husbandry • Aquaculture • Bar • Brothel • Bulk landscape supplies • Car wash • Club • Crematorium • Cropping • Detention facility • Emergency services • Extractive industry • Food and drink outlet • Function facility • Funeral parlour • Garden centre • Hardware and trade supplies • High impact industry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital • Hotel • Indoor sport and recreation • Intensive animal industry • Intensive horticulture • Landing • Low impact industry • Major electricity infrastructure • Major sport, recreation and entertainment facility • Marine industry • Medium impact industry • Motor sport facility • Nature based tourism • Nightclub entertainment facility • Non-resident workforce accommodation • Office • Outdoor sales • Outstation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking station • Permanent plantation • Port services • Renewable energy facility • Research and technology industry • Resort complex • Roadside stall • Rooming accommodation • Rural industry • Rural workers accommodation • Service industry • Shop • Shopping Centre • Showroom • Special industry • Theatre • Tourist attraction • Transport depot • Veterinary services • Warehouse • Wholesale nursery • Winery

Note – This table does not imply that all other uses not listed in the table are automatically consistent uses within the zone. Assessable development must still demonstrate consistency through the assessment process.