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Keeping Poultry in the Gympie Region

Summary of Amendments to Gympie Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) – Current as at 5 April 2019

The amendments to *Gympie Regional Council Subordinate Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2011* are summarised in the table below.

Keeping of Poultry in the Gympie Region

	Urban zones (all zones except Rural and Industry Investigation – NB: includes Rural Residential zone)	Non-urban zones (Rural and Industry Investigation)
Under 800m ²	Allowed 6 poultry allowed without approval	Allowed outright No restrictions on the number of poultry that can be kept
Over 800m ²	Allowed 20 allowed without approval	Allowed outright No restrictions on the number of poultry that can be kept

Keeping of a Rooster or Cockerel in the Gympie Region

	Urban zones* (all zones except Rural and Industry Investigation – NB: includes Rural Residential zone)	Non-urban zones (Rural and Industry investigation)
Under 4,000m ²	Prohibited outright	Allowed outright
4,000m ² to 9,999m ²	Allowed outright	Allowed outright
Over 10,000m ²	Allowed outright	Allowed outright

^{*}Note: Urban property means a property of less than 4,000m² that is entirely or mostly within the boundaries of a zone, other than the Rural zone or Investigation zone, defined in the local government's planning scheme.

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Minimum Standards for Keeping Poultry, Roosters or Cockerels

- 1. A fowl house must be constructed and maintained for the housing the animals.
- 2. The fowl house must-
 - (a) be located in a position which will minimised any adverse impacts of the keeping of the animals on the occupiers of neighbouring premises;
 - (b) not be located within 1 metre of any property boundary; and
 - (c) not be located within 6 metres of a property boundary adjoining a public road.

Minimim Standards for Keeping Animals Generally

- 1. Animals must be kept in a manner that does not create and is not likely to create a smell, dust or noise nuisance to contiguous or neighbouring land.
- 2. Waste waters from enclosures must be drained in a nuisance- and pollution- free manner.
- 3. Any excreta, offensive material or food scraps must be collected at least once each day and placed into a suitable waterproof and flyproof receptacle, which must be covered at all times and the contents removed at least twice weekly.
- 4. Any animal food must be stored in impervious flyproof and vermin proof receptacles or impervious flyproof and vermin proof storeroom facilities.