

	Stock on Roads Policy <i>Policy No. ENVPOL 02</i>	Version No:	2.0
		Responsible Officer/s	Exec Support Coordinator
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1. Purpose

To regulate the movement of stock through and within the Council area and the grazing of stock on roadsides within the Council area.

2. Scope

This Policy applies to road reserves in the District Council of Grant area.

3. Definitions

Drover - the person responsible for the droving of livestock and includes the owner of those livestock or an employee or contractor of that person engaged for the purposes of supervising the droving of those livestock.

Stock - abbreviation of "Livestock" - means an animal of any species used in connection with primary production or kept for recreational purposes, other than a dog or cat.

Shifting Stock - movement or transfer of stock from one property to another within the District Council of Grant by the shortest and most practical route.

Droving Stock - continual movement of stock through the Council area; or from outside the Council area towards a point of destination in the Council area; or from a location within the Council area to a point of destination outside the Council.

Grazing Stock - Stock are taken from their property onto the roadway to graze the grass on the roadway generally adjoining their property.

Straying Stock - Stock that have escaped from their normal enclosure and are moving along a roadway in an uncontrolled manner.

4. Policy

An owner or occupier of land on which stock are kept must ensure that the fencing of that land is adequate to prevent the escape of that stock.


A person who owns or is in charge of stock must not cause or allow the stock to be on a road unless that person is:

- Droving Stock;
- Grazing Stock; or
- Shifting Stock.

An owner/drover of stock may apply to Council for a permit to drove or graze stock in the Council area. Council does not issue permits for Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure roads (see list attached to permit application).

4.1 Droving Stock

Persons must not drove stock in the Council area without a Permit. Applicants issued with a permit, must have regard to any conditions listed in the approval, including, but not limited to provision of a plan indicating the route to be taken, length of time required, provision of confirmation of public risk insurance to a minimum value of \$10,000,000, portable stock control sign requirements being met (refer Clause 4.4). It is the responsibility of the stock owner to acquaint themselves with areas containing sensitive native vegetation, and avoid same.

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4.2 Grazing Stock

Persons must not graze stock in the Council area without a Permit. Applicants issued with a permit, must have regard to any conditions listed in the approval, including, but not limited to provision of a plan indicating the proposed grazing area, length of time required, provision of confirmation of public risk insurance to a minimum value of \$10,000,000, portable stock control sign requirements being met (refer Clause 4.4).

Grazing is not permitted on any roadsides which contain sensitive native vegetation. A list of prohibited roads is attached to each permit.

4.3 Shifting Stock

No permit is required, however stock must be attended at all times and road signage must comply with portable stock control sign requirements (refer Clause 4.4).

In the event of stock being moved at a rate of less than one kilometre per hour, a Grazing Permit must be obtained. It is the responsibility of the stock owner to acquaint themselves with areas containing sensitive native vegetation, and avoid same.

4.4 Portable Stock Control Signs

Signs and stands are to be supplied by the stockowner who will erect and remove signs at the appropriate times. Signs must be manufactured and used in accordance with the details supplied by the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure.

The Guidelines for using Traffic Warning Devices – Stock on Roads are available from the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure website at:- http://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/40259/2002795-v1-Tass_Publications_Stock_on_Road_2006.PDF It is important that stock owners refer to these Guidelines for information on the manufacture, use and placement of signs.


These signs are used to warn motorists of a potential hazard ahead. They offer no legal protection to the stockowner, and the stockowner may be legally responsible for any damage incurred by their use. Stockowners must take all precautions to ensure that reasonable care is taken in moving stock within the road reserve.

5. **Responsibilities**

Council Officers have delegated authority to issue permits.

6. **References:**

Local Government Act 1999
 Impounding Act 1920
 Stock Droving Permit (007)
 Stock Grazing on Road Reserves Permit (008)

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7. Review

This Policy shall be reviewed by the District Council of Grant at minimum every four (4) years, within 12 months of a general election (or on significant change to legislation or other matters which could affect this policy).

Action	Date	Minute Reference
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