

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

Know Your Responsibilities before Starting

If you read nothing else it is important that you read this... it could save you \$315

Building sites can be the source of a number of issues, such as environmental, stormwater pollution, parking and property damage. Safety can be jeopardised and annoyance or inconvenience can be caused by the action of builders and contractors if they do not do the right thing. Substantial fines can be issued for breaching legislation, by-laws, regulations and parking rules; they range from \$45 for exceeding the parking time limit up to \$315 for littering and stormwater pollution.

Builder, contractors and developers are responsible for ensuring the following conditions are met:

Environment

- Waste water from painting, cutting bricks (or the like), mixing concrete, tool/equipment/machinery washing is to be contained and not discharged or deposited accidentally or deliberately into the stormwater system.
- Any soil or material dragged onto the road by vehicle tyres is to be cleaned up before the end of each day or installing a stabilised entry / exit point will minimise this from occurring.
- Sand, gravel, soil and clay are not to be deposited / stored on Council land.
- Adequate pollution control measures must be used to contain materials on-site (ie sediment fencing).
- No rubbish, sawdust, paint (or associated paint materials), building/construction/demolition waste is to be discharged/deposited on roads or street gutters, including locations where it is reasonably likely to be carried by wind or surface runoff to roads or street gutters.

Pedestrian and Traffic

- Pedestrian and vehicle traffic along the street is not to be impeded and safety must be assured at all times.
- The rights and comfort of neighbours is to be respected at all times.
- The footpath, reserves (or the like), median strips are not to be used for the parking of vehicles.
- All parking controls must be abided by including time-limited zones. Specific permits are available from Council.

Development

- Written permission must be obtained from Council prior to any hoarding, crane or other structure being placed on the road or footpath.
- Written permission is required from Council prior to a rubbish skip being placed on the road or footpath.
- The footpath (the area of land between the kerb and the property alignment, including the crossover) is not to be used (even briefly) for the storage of building materials, pallets, sand, soil or other materials.
- No road, footpath, kerb, watertable, trees, shrubs, parking signs or any Council property is to be removed or interfered with.

**Ensure contractors and employees know about your commitment –
it could save you money**