



CONSTRUCTION SITE ESTABLISHMENT AND CONTROL MEASURES

This Development Services Bulletin provides guidance on the site establishment and control measures that are required to be installed on construction sites. The most common control measures Council requires are outlined along with additional measures which may be required depending on the characteristics of the construction site.

Erosion and Sediment Control

Erosion and sediment controls must be implemented to prevent soil erosion, water pollution and the discharge of loose sediment into watercourses, stormwater drains, gutters and surrounding land.

Examples of erosion and sediment control measures include:

- Minimise disturbance;
- Diversion devices;
- Sediment barriers;
- Secure stockpiles;
- Other containments;
- Early stormwater connection; and
- Controlled vehicle access points.



Builders (including owner-builders), contractors, trades, landscapers and delivery personnel are directly responsible for preventing sediment and other material from leaving a building site. Councils have the authority and responsibility to monitor construction sites.

On-the-spot fines of up to \$8,000 apply to any person who allows soil or other pollutants to enter stormwater drains or waterways.



Site Toilets

Toilet facilities must be provided for a construction site before works begin and must be maintained until the works are completed. A toilet must be:

- A standard flushing toilet connected to Council's sewer or an approved on-site effluent disposal system (i.e. septic tank); or
- A temporary chemical closet (i.e. portable toilet)

Portable toilets should be located in a secure place with safe access and should be serviced regularly.

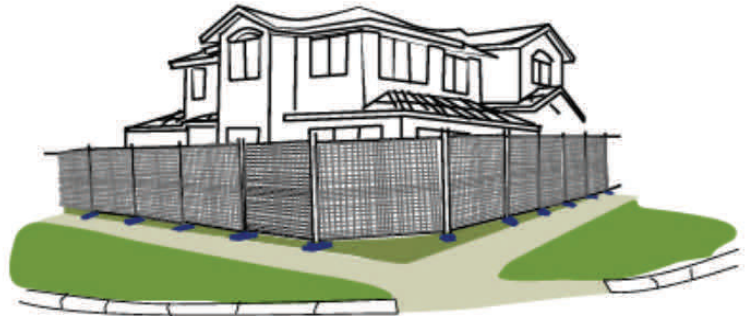


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Site Fence

The supervisor or manager of a site, on which construction work is being carried out, must ensure that the workplace is secured from unauthorised access.

Suitable fencing, hoarding or other barriers must be in place between the site and adjoining lands before works begin and must be maintained for the duration of the works.



Signs

A mandatory sign must be erected in a prominent position on a construction site, which states:

1. The name, address and telephone number of the principal certifier for the work (Council example shown);
2. The name of the principal contractor and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside of work hours; and
3. That unauthorised entry to the site is prohibited.



Waste

Waste bins must be provided at the work site, for both construction waste and other general waste (i.e. food scraps, papers).

The waste bins must be in place before works begin and must be maintained until the works are completed. The waste bins must be maintained to not cause odour or attract vermin.



Further Information

For further information please contact Council's Development Services Division on 6728 8200.