

Authorisation and Liability Waiver for removal of graffiti

Property Address: (insert property address below)

The City of Kwinana intends to remove graffiti illegally placed on the above property. To enable us to complete this **free service** we seek your permission to enter onto the property. You, as the owner or a person so authorised by them, may either object to the intended entry or give permission for it to take place by completing the bottom portion of this notice.

The methods of removing graffiti may include the use of chemicals and high or low pressure water blasting or painting out. The operators have been appropriately trained in removal techniques and all reasonable care will be taken. Some surface textures may change slightly as a result of the removal and cleaning methods. Also, some brick fences have structural problems, which could be made worse by the removal and cleaning methods. Specific colours of paint may need to be provided by the owner.

Before any graffiti is removed by the City of Kwinana, it must first be reported to the police by reporting online at www.goodbyegraffiti.wa.gov.au and obtaining an "offence report number". The offence report number must be provided to the City of Kwinana when requesting graffiti to be removed.

Graffiti can be reported to goodbye graffiti by:

- Reporting online at www.goodbyegraffiti.wa.gov.au

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the City of Kwinana on 9439 0200.

I (being the owner or authorised person of the property address above) hereby give permission for entry onto the property herein mentioned, for the removal of graffiti in terms of this notice.

This waiver is valid for a period of eight weeks.

Name: _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____ Phone Number: _____

Offence report number: _____

Graffiti removal info sheet

Has your property suffered illegal graffiti damage?

Research and experience show that rapid removal within 24/48 hours is the most effective way to reduce repeat attacks of graffiti vandalism. Your insurance or that of the owner may cover the property for malicious damage.

What can you do?

This depends on the type of structure and the materials used to damage the structure. The City's Operations team can be contacted on 9439 0200 for advice and assistance with the removal of graffiti.

Reporting of Graffiti

All incidents should be reported to the police by:

- Lodging it online at www.goodbyegraffiti.wa.gov.au

Do it yourself

A large number of products can be used for effective graffiti removal. Some of these are common household products, including caustic oven cleaner for brick surfaces if applied and left for 6-8 hours before scrubbing off, liquid laundry detergent may remove texta from smooth cement surfaces, car 'cutting polish' on Colorbond etc., or a mix of equal parts of methylated spirits and ammonia in a spray bottle. Many hardware stores sell products specifically for the removal of graffiti. Always follow the manufacturer's safety instructions when applying products and use the appropriate personal protective equipment.

Brick structures and other natural surfaces

Removal from natural surfaces usually requires chemical or mechanical removal or a combination of both methods. The names of companies which specialise in graffiti removal are listed under "Cleaning Contractors – Steam, Pressure, Chemical etc." and "Paint Removal Surfaces and/or Supplies" in the Yellow Pages directory.

If you want to retain a natural look, it is best to apply clear non-sacrificial anti-graffiti coating. Details of the materials can be found under "Coatings – Protective" in the Yellow Pages directory.

Painted surfaces and cement fibre (Super "6") fencing

Direct paint over is effective and inexpensive if a close matched paint can be obtained. It is best to paint a whole section from the top to the bottom instead of just the affected area to avoid a patched over look.

More information on the removal and prevention of graffiti can be obtained from the State Graffiti Taskforce website www.goodbyegraffiti.wa.gov.au