



POLICY

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To allow temporary accommodation at the dog or cat management facility in an emergency.

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Legal Authority	Local Government Act 1995 Section 2.7 – Role of Council

Policy:

1. A registered dog or cat may be given temporary accommodation in an emergency situation within the dog or cat management facility, free of charge, for up to seven days.
2. An unregistered dog or cat may be given temporary accommodation in an emergency situation within the dog or cat management facility for up to seven days. The impoundment fee is to be waived and only the daily sustenance fee is to be charged. To be released:
 - Dogs must be microchipped and registered;
 - Cats must be microchipped, registered and sterilised.
3. An “emergency” in regards to this policy is in the case of:
 - a. storm damage to the property;
 - b. fire damage to the property;
 - c. earthquake causing damage to the property;
 - d. escaping from vehicle due to accident;
 - e. confirmed reports of vandalism or other criminal activities; or
 - f. other circumstances as determined by the Chief Executive Officer;
 which renders the property unsafe or incapable of holding a dog or cat.