Horses



Keeping a horse

To keep a horse a minimum of 4000m2 is required to keep the horse. If your enquiry is in relation to a stable permit application please contact council's Planning and Development department on 1300 MACKAY (622 529) for further information.

When keeping horses you must ensure:

- all feed is to be stored in a vermin proof manner
- the keeping of a horse must not cause a noise, odour or fly nuisance
- the keeper must take all reasonable measures to effectively isolate the grazing behaviour of the horse from nearby properties (measures may include the construction of a fence).

Non-standard permits apply when you are:

- racing or trotting stables
- breeding horses for sale
- boarding horses for a fee or rewards.



Selling of horses

A person wishing to sell a horse must register the animal for sale or alternately keep a register of all horses sold or otherwise disposed.

Register must include:

- name and address of the new owner
- full description of each horse sold or otherwise disposed
- date of sale or disposal of each horse.

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