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Introduction

Mareeba Shire Council resolved on 19 February 2025 that;

1. A selective Approved Inspection Program be carried out to ensure compliance with the registration requirements of the Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008; and
2. A selective Approved Inspection Program be carried out to ensure compliance with section 14 of Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2018 - duty to provide a proper enclosure and prevent the animal from wandering.

Purpose of Program

To ensure that the owners of dogs within the Mareeba Shire council area have complied with;

- the registration requirements prescribed by the Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008 and
- the duty to provide a proper enclosure to prevent the animal from wandering in Council's Local Law.

Program Times

The selective inspection program will commence on 1 March 2025 and terminate on 1 July 2025. It will be conducted between the hours of 6.30am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday, with the majority of inspections to be carried out during normal working hours, or at such time depending on the circumstances of the householder.

Properties to be Inspected

Properties that may be inspected include properties in the town of Dimbulah and surrounds.

Enforcement

Registration

Where an Authorised Person identifies a dog as not being registered for the current year 24/25 an infringement notice (\$322.00) may be issued, if the owner does not register their dog/s within the prescribed timeframe.

Enclosure

Where an Authorised Person identifies that a proper enclosure is not provide:

1. A verbal or written warning will be issued encouraging the owner to comply with a proper enclosure within 14 days.
2. Where a proper enclosure has not been provided within 14 days a Compliance Notice will be issued to the responsible person requiring them to comply within 28 days.
3. Where owners subsequently fail to comply with the Compliance notice, they will be issued an infringement notice (\$806.00).