

# Ipswich

City Council

*Local Law No. 5  
(Parking) 2013*

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## **Part 1 Preliminary**

### **1 Short title**

This local law may be cited as *Local Law No. 5 (Parking) 2013*.

### **1A Commencement**

This local law commences on 1 August 2013

### **2 Object**

The object of this local law is—

- (a) to provide for safe, efficient and equitable parking regulation in traffic areas, on roads and in off-street regulated parking areas in the local government area in accordance with Chapter 5, Part 6 of the TORUM Act including -
  - (i) establishing and regulating parking in traffic areas, on roads and in off-street regulated parking areas; and
  - (ii) fixing parking fees and regulating paid parking; and
  - (iii) regulating the issuing and use of parking permits<sup>1</sup>; and
  - (iv) imposing temporary parking prohibitions and restrictions.
- (b) to provide for the regulation of parking and storage of heavy vehicles in residential areas.

### **3 Definitions - the dictionary**

- (1) The dictionary in the Schedule (Dictionary) defines particular words used in this local law.
- (2) The dictionaries in *Local Law No.1 (Administration) 2013* and *Local Law No.4 (Permits) 2013* also define words used in this local law.

### **4 Application of this local law**

This local law does not apply to a State-controlled road unless the chief executive of the department which administers the TORUM Act has given written approval.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See section 101(1)(b) *TORUM Act*.

<sup>2</sup> The *TORUM Act* is the primary legislation dealing with road use and the regulation of parking in Queensland. It gives local governments the power to regulate parking in their local government areas

## 5 Relationship with other laws

This local law is -

- (a) made pursuant to the TORUM Act in the case of regulation of parking<sup>3</sup>;
- (b) in addition to, and intended to complement Chapter 5, Part 6 of the TORUM Act; and
- (c) to be read with Local Law No. 1 (Administration) 2013 and Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013

## Part 2 Parking contrary to parking restriction

### 6 Issue of a permit

- (1) The local government may grant a permit for a permit regulated activity authorising a person to park—
  - (a) in a designated parking space where parking is restricted to permit parking; or
  - (b) in a traffic area, on a road or in an off-street regulated parking area contrary to an indication given by an official traffic sign regulating parking by time or payment of fee.
- (2) The local government may prescribe, by subordinate local law, persons who may be issued with a permit.

### 7 Types of permits <sup>4</sup>

A vehicle may be parked contrary to an indication on an official traffic sign regulating parking by time or payment of fee, if the vehicle displays—

- (a) a parking permit for people with disabilities<sup>5</sup> valid for the time and place at which the vehicle is parked; or

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<sup>3</sup> The TORUM Act is the primary legislation dealing with road use and the regulation of parking in Queensland. It gives local governments the power to regulate parking in their local government areas

<sup>4</sup> See the TORUM Act, section 103(4).

<sup>5</sup> Parking permits for people with disabilities are not issued by the local government under this local law. They are issued under section 111 of the TORUM Act by the Chief Executive of the State Government department administering that Act. The State government has adopted the Australian Disability Parking Permit scheme. Sections 203 and 205 of the TORUM Act are relevant to the use disability parking permits.

- (b) a permit issued under section 6 (Issue of a permit) of this local law.

## **8 Commercial vehicle identification labels<sup>6</sup>**

- (1) The local government may issue a commercial vehicle identification label.
- (2) A vehicle displaying a current commercial vehicle identification label may be lawfully parked in a loading zone.<sup>7</sup>
- (3) The local government may prescribe, by subordinate local law, vehicles which may be issued with a commercial vehicle identification label.<sup>8</sup>

## **Part 3 Parking areas**

### **9 Declaration of traffic areas**

- (1) The local government may by subordinate local law, declare the whole or a part of its area to be a traffic area.<sup>9</sup>
- (2) The boundaries of a traffic area must be defined in a subordinate local law.

### **10 Off-street regulated parking areas**

The local government may by subordinate local law specify an area of land owned or controlled<sup>10</sup> by the local government, including structures on the land, as an off-street regulated parking area.<sup>11</sup>

*Example:*

*A local government might under an arrangement with the owner of a shopping centre, specify a public parking area at the shopping centre as an off-street regulated parking area and regulate parking in the area under this local law.*

### **11 Temporary parking restrictions**

- (1) The local government may temporarily prohibit or restrict parking on a road where the local government is satisfied that:
- (a) a temporary prohibition or restriction on parking is necessary because

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<sup>6</sup> See the *TORUM Act*, section 103(5).

<sup>7</sup> See also *Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Road Rules) Regulation 2009*, section 179, relating to drivers who are permitted to stop in a loading zone.

<sup>8</sup> The *TORUM Act* already defines certain vehicles designed for the carriage of goods as commercial vehicles – see schedule 4, definition, commercial vehicle.

<sup>9</sup> See the *TORUM Act*, sections 102(3)(a) and 102(2)(b).

<sup>10</sup> See the *TORUM Act*, section 104(2).

<sup>11</sup> See the *TORUM Act*, sections 104(1)(b) and 101(1)(c).

of a particular event; or

- (b) conditions temporarily applying in a particular part of the local government area warrant the prohibition or restriction.

*Examples of subsection (1)—*

- The local government may temporarily prohibit parking on a particular part of a road if building work that is being carried out on, or adjacent to, the road makes it impracticable to use the relevant part of the road for parking.
  - The local government may temporarily prohibit parking on a particular part of a road if the road is to be closed to traffic for the purpose of a festival or public assembly.
- (2) Notwithstanding section 11(1) (Temporary parking restrictions) of this local law, the local government cannot regulate parking on a State-controlled road without the written agreement of the chief executive of the department which administers Chapter 6 (Road Transport Infrastructure) of the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*.
- (3) A temporary prohibition or restriction on parking imposed under section 11(1) (Temporary parking restrictions) of this local law takes effect when the local government installs the appropriate official traffic sign indicating the prohibition or restriction and ceases to take effect on removal of the sign by the local government.

## **Part 4 Heavy vehicle Parking**

### **12 Parking or storage of heavy vehicles in residential areas**

- (1) The parking or storage of heavy vehicles in residential areas is a permit regulated activity and a person must not park or store a heavy vehicle or allow a heavy vehicle to be parked or stored in a residential area unless authorised by a permit<sup>12</sup>.

Maximum penalty for subsection (1) –

- (a) for first offence – 20 penalty units.
  - (b) for second offence within a 2 year period – 30 penalty units.
  - (c) for third or further offences within a 2 year period – 50 penalty units.
- (2) For the purposes of this section —

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<sup>12</sup> See *Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013* as application for and issue of permits.

***parking or storing a heavy vehicle*** means the parking or storage of a heavy vehicle for a period longer than is necessary for the loading and unloading of the heavy vehicle in a residential area including on premises in a residential area; but does not include—

- (a) the parking of a heavy vehicle owned or used by the local government on land owned or occupied by the local government; and
- (b) the parking of a heavy vehicle that is—
  - (i) an emergency vehicle; or
  - (ii) involved in a public utility undertaking for the period during which the vehicle is being used to carry out the undertaking ;  
or
  - (iii) of a class specified in a subordinate local law.

## Part 5 Offences

### 13 Parking infringement notice penalties<sup>13</sup>

The local government may, by subordinate local law, prescribe an amount as the infringement notice penalty for a minor traffic offence committed in the local government's area.<sup>14</sup>

### 14 Defence

It is a defence to any breach or non-compliance of any provision contained in this local law if a person has a lawful excuse or defence.

*Example—*

- It is a defence to any breach or non-compliance of any provision contained in this local law if a person was not criminally responsible in accordance with Chapter 5 (Criminal Responsibility) of the *Criminal Code*.
- Section 165 (Stopping in an emergency etc. or to comply with another provision) of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Road Rules) Regulation 2009* details a number of circumstances that are a defence to prosecution for an offence against a provision of Part 12 (Restriction on stopping and parking) of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Road Rules) Regulation 2009*.

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<sup>13</sup>Section 13 (Parking infringement notice penalties) of this local law does not create an offence. The offences, and the relevant legislation which create them, are specified in *Subordinate Local Law No. 5.1 (Parking) 2013*.

<sup>14</sup> See section 108(1) (Local laws about minor traffic offences) of the *TORUM Act*.

- Part 19 (Exemptions) of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Road Rules) Regulation 2009* details a number exemptions whereby certain provisions of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Road Rules) Regulation 2009* do not apply.

## Part 6 Miscellaneous

### 15 Subordinate local laws

- (1) The local government may make a subordinate local law with respect to-
  - (a) traffic areas pursuant to section 9 (Declaration of traffic areas) of this local law; and
  - (b) off-street regulated parking area pursuant to section 10 (Declaration of off-street regulated parking areas) of this local law;
  - (c) persons who may be issued with a parking permit to park contrary to an indication on a traffic sign pursuant to section 7 (Types of permits) of this local law; and
  - (d) vehicles which may be issued with a commercial vehicle identification label pursuant to section 8 (Commercial vehicle identification labels) of this local law); and
  - (e) infringement notice penalty amounts which apply for minor traffic offences pursuant to section 12 (Parking infringement notice penalties) of this local law.

## Part 7 Transition, Savings and Repeals

### 16 Repeals

The following Local Laws are repealed —

- Local Law No. 6 (Heavy and Other Vehicle Parking) 2004, gazetted 27 February 2004
- Local Law No. 27 (Regulated Parking) 1997, gazetted 9 January 1998

### 17 Existing Permits

Any person who immediately before the commencement of this local law held a permit under any local law to operate an activity which is now a permit regulated activity under this local law is taken to be a holder of a permit under this local law and *Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013* to operated that activity.



## Schedule Dictionary

### Section 3

**adjunct vehicle** means any of the following—

- (a) any trailer designed or adapted for the carriage of goods with a carrying capacity in excess of two (2) tonnes tare including the trailer of an articulated vehicle;
- (b) any trailer designed or adapted for earthmoving or road making purposes, including a vehicle or equipment designed or adapted for excavating materials or equipment such as rollers, compressors or the like designed or adapted to be drawn behind a heavy vehicle;
- (c) any trailer containing a refrigeration unit;
- (d) any earthmoving equipment or vehicle which is capable of being transported on the tray of a heavy vehicle;
- (e) any other trailer or equipment which is consistent with those trailers or equipment listed above.

**commercial vehicle identification label** means a label of the type depicted in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices as a commercial vehicle identification label.

**declared road** has the same meaning as in the TORUM Act

**emergency vehicle** means—

- (a) an ambulance; or
- (b) a fire appliance or other vehicle necessary to attend a fire or chemical incident or a vehicle used for building inspections and community education; or
- (c) a police vehicle; or
- (d) a State Emergency Service vehicle; or
- (e) such other vehicle as is specified in a subordinate local law.

**heavy vehicle** means any of the following—

- (a) a vehicle or combination of vehicles (including an adjunct vehicle) that has a gross vehicle mass (GVM) of more than 4.5 tonnes, or has a total length of in excess of 7.5 metres;
- (b) a trailer or semi-trailer standing alone which has a GVM of 3 or more tonnes or has a length exceeding 5 metres;

- (c) any vehicle of whatever size equipped to carry, by whatever means, a motor vehicle;
- (d) a tractor;
- (e) any vessel whose length exceeds nine (9) metres;
- (f) any other vehicle or equipment which is consistent with those vehicle listed above.

**infringement notice penalty** means an infringement notice fine under the State Penalties Enforcement Act 1999.

**local law** has the meaning in the Act, section 26, and includes a subordinate local law.

**the local government** means Ipswich City Council.

**local government area** has the meaning in the Act.

**official traffic sign** see TORUM Act, schedule 4.

**off-street regulated parking area** see TORUM Act, schedule 4.

**minor traffic offence** see TORUM Act, section 108(4).

**parking permit for people with disabilities means—**

- (a) a parking permit for people with disabilities issued under the TORUM Act; or
- (b) an Australian Disability Parking Permit under a corresponding provision of the law of another State or Territory.

**permit for a permit regulated activity** means a permit which has been granted pursuant to section 7 (Grant of a permit) of *Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013* and this local law —

- (a) which has not expired pursuant to section 8(2) (Term of a permit) of *Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013* and this local law; and
- (b) which has not been cancelled pursuant to section 12 (Cancellation of a permit) of *Local Law No. 4 (Permits) 2013*; and
- (c) includes a parking permit.

**permit regulated activity means—**

- (a) an activity which is specified as a permit regulated activity in this local law;
- (b) an activity which would ordinarily be prohibited by this local law or subordinate

local law unless authorised by a permit;

- (d) parking contrary to a an official traffic sign regulating parking by time or payment of fee or contrary to the provisions of this local law or its subordinate local law; or
- (e) parking in a designated parking space where parking is restricted to holders of a permit for such parking.

**public utility undertaking** means the provision of services to the public such as—

- (a) water, hydraulic power, electricity, gas; or
- (b) sewerage or drainage; or
- (c) telecommunications to the public.

**residential area** includes areas comprising predominantly residential development and land (other than *roads*), that is situated in one or more of the following zones or other similar designation under a *Structure Plan* under the Planning Scheme—

- (a) within the Urban Areas Locality—
  - (i) Large Lot Residential Zone;
  - (ii) Residential Low Density Zone;
  - (iii) Residential Medium Density Zone;
  - (iv) Character Areas - Housing Zone;
  - (v) Future Urban Zone;
  - (vi) Character Areas - Mixed Use Zone;
  - (vii) Business Incubator Zone;
  - (viii) Bundamba Racecourse Stables Area Zone;
  - (ix) Special Uses Zone;
  - (x) Special Opportunity Zone;
- (b) within the Rosewood Locality—
  - (i) Character Areas - Housing Zone;
  - (ii) Residential Low Density Zone;

- (iii) Residential Medium Density Zone;
- (iv) Urban Investigation Zone;
- (iv) Special Uses Zone;
- (c) within the City Centre Locality—
  - (i) Residential High Density Zone;
- (d) within the Township Locality—
  - (i) Township Residential Zone;
  - (ii) Township Character Housing Zone;
  - (iii) Township Character Mixed Use Zone;
  - (iv) Stables Residential Zone;
  - (v) Special Uses Zone.
- (e) within the Springfield Structure Plan—
  - (i) Community Residential Designation.
- (f) within the Rural Locality—
  - (i) Rural Living Zone.

and includes land approved for residential development pursuant to a development approval, including a development which is recorded on the Planning Scheme pursuant to section 3.5.27 *Integrated Planning Act* 1997 or section 391 of the *Sustainable Planning Act* 2009.

**road** means —

- (a) a road as defined in the Act, section 59; and
- (b) a declared road in respect of which the chief executive has given written agreement under the TORUM Act section 101(b).

**State-controlled road** means a State-controlled road under the Transport Infrastructure Act 1994.

**the Act** means the Local Government Act 2009.

**TORUM Act** means the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act* 1995.

*traffic area* see TORUM Act, schedule 4.

## Endnotes

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### **2 Date to which amendments incorporated**

This reprint includes all amendments that commenced operation on or before the

### **3 Key**

Key to abbreviations in list of legislation and annotations

Key Explanation

amd = amended  
ch = chapter  
def = definition  
div = division  
hdg = heading  
ins = inserted  
om = omitted  
p = page  
pt = part  
renum = renumbered  
rep = repealed  
s = section  
sch = schedule  
sdiv = subdivision

### **4 Table of reprints**

A reprint is issued upon the commencement of an amending instrument. A reprint is given the date of commencement of the amending instrument.

Table of reprints of this local law – no amendments

### **5 List of legislation**

Original Local Law  
*Local Law No.5 (Parking) 2013*  
date of gazettal 5 July 2013

## **6 List of annotations**