

## Policy Type

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Council

## Policy Purpose

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The purpose of this policy is to adopt a position on circuses acceptable to operate within the City of Cockburn district.

## Policy Statement

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- (1) The City of Cockburn disapproves of circuses with exotic animals as a form of entertainment.
- (2) The City of Cockburn allows circuses without exotic animals to operate on City controlled land subject to the following conditions:
  1. The circus complies with current Western Australian legislation relevant to the welfare of animals, health, planning and public buildings.
  2. The circus demonstrating full compliance with all requirements of Public Liability Insurance. Certification must be presented with the application.
  3. The circus is required to adhere to the Animal Welfare Act – Code of Practice for the conduct of circuses in Western Australia (March 2003) and should there be any breaches or claims of breaches brought to the attention of the City the matter will be referred to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals W.A. Inc.
  4. The circus having in place a suitable Management Policy, Emergency Procedures and Safety Policy to ensure the full safety of the public to the satisfaction of Council.
  5. The circus owners provide to the City before the circus is held, a certificate from a Qualified Structural Engineer certifying that temporary structures including the seating and animal training performance cages are safe and secure.
  6. At the request of the City a traffic management plan is submitted to the City's satisfaction.
  7. Circuses are charged the appropriate hire fees and bond as set by the schedule of fees and charges.
- (3) The Chief Executive Officer is authorised to make decisions on Circuses Applications.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Prohibition of Exotic Animals in Circuses</b>
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