

Residents living within the town sites of Byford, Mundijong, Jarrahdale and Serpentine are not permitted to keep bees or allow bees to be kept on land, without a valid permit issued by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. Residents in areas outside these town sites are permitted to keep bee hives, provided that they do not cause a nuisance.

How many hives can I have?

- On land that is less than 2,000 metres² - the occupier can have up to two bee hives.
- On land that is between 2,000 metres² and 20,000 metres² - the occupier can have up to 15 bee hives.

Conditions of Keeping Bees

A person who keeps or permits bees and hives to be kept shall ensure that:

- There is adequate water supply readily accessible.
- Each bee hive shall be kept at a specified distance from any thoroughfare, boundary or public place.
- Each bee hive is to be located near a screen or other barrier to prevent bees flying low over a thoroughfare, public place or adjoining land.

At any point should the officers from the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale determine that a person has contravened any provision of the Beekeepers Act 1963 or the Beekeeping Local Law, a written notice to remove all bees and hives will be issued.

Application for Permit to Keep Bees

Should you be in a town site and wish to keep bee hives, an application form must be submitted to the Manager of Health, Rangers and Compliance. Along with the application form, the following should be attached:

- Copy of registration under section 8 of the Beekeepers Act 1963.
- A site plan of the property the hives are to be kept on, showing;
 - Size of property.
 - Water available.
 - Distances from thoroughfare, public places and boundaries.
 - Location of hives.
- Any other documentation as required by Local Government.
- Fee of \$67.50.

Written application to the Shire will not guarantee an approval to keep any bees or hives.

Contact Us

Enquiries

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In Person

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