



Application to keep an animal

A written request, and a written answer.

Complete this and give it to your strata or community corporation. A written application creates a dated record of what was asked and what was decided, which protects you and the corporation equally. South Australian schemes; check your own articles or by-laws, because they vary.

— READ THIS FIRST

If your animal assists you with a disability, you do not need permission.

Section 37(1)(d) and (e) of the Community Titles Act 1996 prevent a by-law from stopping an occupier with a disability keeping an assistance or therapeutic animal, or a visitor with a disability from using one. Both terms take their meaning from the Equal Opportunity Act 1984. Notifying the corporation is a courtesy, not an approval process.

— YOUR DETAILS

Name

Unit or lot number

Address

Phone

Email

Owner or tenant

— THE ANIMAL

Type and breed

Name

Age and adult size

Desexed

Microchip number

Council registration no.

Where it will be kept

Dogs and cats in South Australia are registered and microchipped through Dogs and Cats Online. Bring the number, not a promise to get one.

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WHAT YOU UNDERTAKE

- ☐ The animal will be **under effective control** on common property at all times, and on a lead where it is an animal that can be led.
- ☐ Droppings will be picked up immediately and disposed of properly.
- ☐ The animal will not be left to create **noise that disturbs other residents**, including while I am out.
- ☐ The animal will not be kept, exercised or toileted on common property except in transit.
- ☐ I will meet the cost of repairing any damage the animal causes, and of cleaning where required.
- ☐ I will keep current insurance covering liability for injury or damage caused by the animal, to the extent permitted by law.
- ☐ I will tell the corporation if the animal is replaced, rehomed or dies, so the record stays accurate.

ANYTHING ELSE THE CORPORATION SHOULD KNOW

SIGNED

Applicant signature

Date

FOR THE CORPORATION

Decision (approved / refused)

Decided by, and how

Date of decision

Conditions attached

Reasons, if refused

Signed

If approval is withdrawn. Any withdrawal should be in writing, state the reason, and give a reasonable period to remedy the problem before the animal has to go. An approval revoked without notice or reason is the kind of decision a Magistrates Court can be asked to review as unreasonable, oppressive or unjust under s 142 of the Community Titles Act 1996. **Strata schemes.** Under the Strata Titles Act 1988 the default Schedule 3 articles let the management committee decide, and your corporation may have replaced them. Read your own articles before applying. This form records an application and a decision; it is not legal advice.

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