



Rural Property Addressing Policy

<i>Responsible Officer/s</i>	Director Infrastructure Services
<i>Relevant Legislation / Documents</i>	Local Government Act 1999 (S220): National standard AS/NZ 4819:2003 updated in 2006
<i>Adopted</i>	15 June 2012
<i>Reviewed</i>	August 2023
<i>Next Review</i>	Every 4 years (SMT)

A. Purpose

Rural Property Addressing is a joint state and local government initiative aimed to provide all occupied rural properties in South Australia with a nationally consistent numbered address.

Many properties were located on un-named roads, which required property owner to rely on local knowledge and reference points among emergency services personnel (and service providers like vets and livestock officers) to find their property.

Descriptions of property location were often confusing, leading to time loss and frustration.

Council recognises the importance of a uniform numbering system for rural properties and is committed to ensuring all occupied rural properties are provided with a Rural Property Address (RPA) number and that property owners display their RPA in the correct location and in the correct format at all times.

B. Objective

To ensure consistent rural property addressing signage, both with installation and maintenance within the District Council of Loxton Waikerie by:

- Ensuring that all new residences acquire the correct rural property address
- Encouraging consistent signage to assist emergency, postal and other services, where the number clearly equates to the distance along the road
- Setting minimum standards for the installation of rural property addressing signage
- Clearly defining responsibility for the installation and replacement of rural property addressing signage

C. Policy

Council is committed to the implementation, installation and maintenance of rural property addressing. The system resolves issues with rural road names and ensures that a meaningful property number is created for each rural property with a residence. Properties are clearly numbered with the number equating to the distance along the road.

Pursuant to S220 of the Local Government Act 1999, an owner of land must, at the request of the council, ensure that the appropriate number for the owner's building or allotment is displayed in a form directed or approved by the council. It is the policy of Council that the numbering system be clear, consistent and supports the National standard AS/NZ 4819:2003 updated in 2006.

a. New rural residences

At the request from the property owner(s), Council will request a RPA from the Department of Transport Infrastructure, notifying the property owner of their RPA number.

A sign will be ordered from a preferred contractor and the RPA will be installed.

b. Businesses (non Residential) or Replacement sign

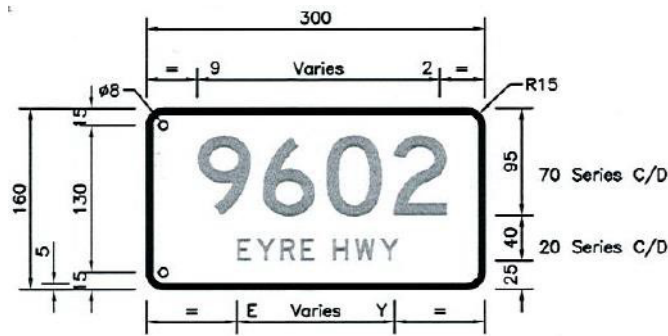
If Council receives a request for the installation of signage for a property without a residence or an additional/replacement sign, a fee will be charged for the supply of the sign.

A business or additional/replacement request for an RPA will be installed by the owner of the land at the direction of Council staff or a fee may be charged if the property owner requests Council install the sign.

The fee for a new RPA sign is specified in the Fees and Charges.

The correct format for the signs is as follows:

- Signs to be double sided and reflective;
- Sign to be installed pointing to the road so it is facing both directions of traffic;
- Mounted at top of standard black star dropper steel post;
- To be installed to a height of 1.0m at top of post;
- To be installed adjacent to the property access as follows:
 - Council owned roads: On, or as close as possible, to the property boundary;
 - DTI owned roads: Where practicable, no closer than 1.5m to the edge of the shoulder, or guide post alignment, or grader wind row whichever is further from the road.



D. Availability

This Policy will be available for inspection at the Council Offices at Loxton or Waikerie during ordinary business hours at no charge.

Copies of this Policy will also be available from Councils website: www.lwdc.sa.gov.au

E. Document history and version control

Date	Version	Authorisation	Amendment Details
12/9/2016	1.1	Endorsed by the Senior Management Team at the meeting of 12 September 2016	This policy notes only a change of review period and how the policy is made available
16 August 2023	2	Council meeting 2023-223	Formatting and Grammatical changes Update of internal procedures