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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995

SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON
FENCING LOCAL LAW 2017

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Under the powers conferred by the *Local Government Act 1995* and all other powers enabling it, the Shire of Northampton resolved on 16 June 2017 to make the following local law.

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

1.1 Citation

This local law is the *Shire of Northampton Fencing Local Law 2017*.

1.2 Commencement

This local law comes into operation 14 days after the date of its publication in the *Government Gazette*.

1.3 Application

This local law applies throughout the district.

1.4 Repeal

The *Municipality of the Shire of Northampton By-laws Relating to Fences* as published in the *Government Gazette* on 3 November 1989 is repealed.

1.5 Definitions

In this local law —

Act means the *Dividing Fences Act 1961*;

applicant means a person who makes an application for approval under this local law;

AS or AS/NZS means an Australian Standard or an Australian/New Zealand Standard published by Standards Australia and available for viewing free of charge at the Shire of Northampton Administration offices;

AS/NZS 1170 means *Australian/New Zealand Standard 1170:2011 Structural design actions - General principles*, published by Standards Australia as amended from time to time;

AS 2870 means the *Australian/New Zealand Standard 2870:2011 Residential slabs and footing*, published by Standards Australia as amended from time to time;

AS/NZS 3016 means *Australian/New Zealand Standard 3016:2002—Electrical Installations—Electricity security fences*, published by Standards Australia as amended from time to time;

authorised officer means a person appointed by the local government under section 9.10 of the *Local Government Act 1995* to perform any of the functions of an authorised person under this local law;

barbed wire fence means a wire or strand of wires having small pieces of sharply pointed wire twisted around it at short intervals;

boundary fence has the meaning given to it by the Act;

building surveyor means a Building Surveyor of the local government;

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the local government;

commercial lot means a lot where a commercial use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

composite fence means a fence constructed of brick piers and with infill panels between the piers of materials other than brick or a fence where the supporting posts and infill panels are of different materials.

dangerous in relation to any fence means—

- (a) an electrified fence other than a fence approved by the local government under this local law;
- (b) a fence containing barbed wire other than a fence erected and maintained in accordance with this local law;
- (c) a fence containing exposed broken glass, asbestos fibre, razor wire or any other potentially harmful projection or material; or
- (d) a fence which is likely to collapse or fall, or part of which is likely to collapse or fall, from any cause;

district means the district of the local government;

district planning scheme means a local planning scheme of the local government made under the *Planning and Development Act 2005*;

dividing fence has the meaning given to it by the Act;

electrified fence means a fence carrying or designed to carry an electric charge;

fence means any structure, not including a retaining wall, used or functioning as a barrier, irrespective of where it is located and includes any gate;

frontage means the boundary line between a lot and the thoroughfare which that lot adjoins;

front boundary means the boundary line between a lot and the thoroughfare upon which that lot abuts, or in the case of a lot abutting on more than one thoroughfare, the boundary line between the lot and the primary thoroughfare;

front setback area means the area between the building line of a lot and the front boundary of that lot;

height in relation to a fence means the vertical distance between—

- (a) the top of the fence at any point; and
- (b) the ground level or, where the ground levels on each side of the fence are not the same, the higher ground level, immediately below that point;

hours of business operations means the hours of the day during which business is usually conducted;

industrial lot means a lot where an industrial use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

licence means an electrified fence licence or a razor wire fence licence;

local government means the Shire of Northampton;

local government property means anything except a thoroughfare—

- (a) which belongs to the local government;
- (b) of which the local government is the management body under the *Land Administration Act 1997*; or
- (c) which is an otherwise unvested facility under section 3.53 of the *Local Government Act 1995*;

lot has the meaning given to it in the *Planning and Development Act 2005*;

notice of breach means a notice referred to in clause 5.1;

occupier has the meaning given to it in the *Local Government Act 1995*;

open construction means a visually permeable fence comprising of—

- (a) continuous gaps at least 50 millimetres wide which in aggregate occupy at least one third of the length of the fence; or
- (b) continuous gaps less than 50 millimetres wide which in aggregate occupy at least half of the length of the fence;

provided that the gaps are evenly distributed along the length of the fence.

owner has the meaning given to it in the *Local Government Act 1995*;

public access way means a portion of public land used as a means of pedestrian access between thoroughfares or other public places and for providing a corridor for public utility services;

public place means any place to which the public has access whether or not that place is on private property;

razor wire means a coiled strong wire with pieces of sharp cutting edges set across it at close intervals;

residential lot means a lot where a residential use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

retaining wall means any structure which prevents the movement of soil or retains soil or structures in order to allow ground levels of different elevations to exist adjacent to one another;

right of way means a strip of land available either for use by the general public, or a restricted section of the community, and may be created by subdivision, specific transfer, or continued use over a period of years.

rural lot means a lot where a rural use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

Schedule means a Schedule to this local law;

special residential lot means a lot where a special residential use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

special rural lot means a lot where a special rural use—

- (a) is or may be permitted under the district planning scheme; and
- (b) is or will be the predominant use of the lot;

structural engineer means a qualified engineer trained to understand and calculate the stability, strength and rigidity of built structures for buildings and non-building structures;

sufficient fence means a fence described in clause 2.1; and

thoroughfare has the meaning given to it by the *Local Government Act 1995*, but does not include a private thoroughfare which is not under the management or control of the local government.

1.6 Relationship with other laws

- (1) Anything allowed under any Act, Regulation or district planning scheme, is not affected by any prohibition, requirement or restriction under this local law.
- (2) In the event of any inconsistency with any Act, Regulation or district planning scheme, the provisions of those Acts, Regulations or district planning scheme are to prevail.

1.7 Approval fees and charges

All approval fees and charges applicable under this local law shall be determined by the local government from time to time in accordance with section 6.16 and 6.19 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

PART 2—SUFFICIENT FENCES

Division 1—Sufficient fences

2.1 Sufficient fences

- (1) A person shall not erect a dividing fence or a boundary fence that is not a sufficient fence.
- (2) Subject to subclauses (3) and (4), a sufficient fence—
 - (a) on a residential lot is a dividing fence or a boundary fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 2;
 - (b) on a commercial lot or an industrial lot is a dividing fence or a boundary fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 3; and
 - (c) on a rural lot or a special rural lot is a dividing fence or a boundary fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 4; and
 - (d) on a special residential lot is a dividing fence or a boundary fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 5.
- (3) Where a fence is erected on or near the boundary between—
 - (a) a residential lot and an industrial lot, a sufficient fence is a dividing fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 2;
 - (b) a residential lot and a commercial lot, a sufficient fence is a dividing fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 3;
 - (c) a residential lot and a rural lot, a sufficient fence is a dividing fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 4;
 - (d) a residential lot and a special rural lot, a sufficient fence is a dividing fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 4; and
 - (e) a special rural lot; rural lot and special residential lot, a sufficient fence is a dividing fence constructed and maintained in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 4.
- (4) An application must be made to the local government for grant of consent to any variation to the specifications in Schedules 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- (5) Unless an authorised officer determines otherwise, a sufficient fence on a boundary between lots other than those specified in subclause (3) is a dividing fence constructed in accordance with the specifications and requirements of Schedule 2.
- (6) Notwithstanding any other provision in this local law, a dividing fence or boundary fence constructed of masonry, stone or concrete shall be a sufficient fence only if it is designed by a suitably qualified structural engineer and constructed in accordance with that design where—
 - (a) it is greater than 1 800 millimetres in height; or
 - (b) the Building Surveyor requires.
- (7) Notwithstanding any other provision in this local law, a dividing fence or boundary fence shall not exceed 1 800 millimetres in height unless the approval of the local government has been obtained for such a fence.

Division 2—General

2.2 Fences within front setback areas

- (1) A person shall not, without the written consent of the Building Surveyor, erect a free standing fence greater than 1 200 millimetres in height, within the front setback area of a residential lot within the district.
- (2) The Building Surveyor may approve the erection of a fence of a height greater than 1 200 millimetres in the front setback area of a residential lot only if the fence on each side of the driveway into the lot across the front boundary is to be angled into the lot for a distance of not less than 1 500 millimetres along the frontage to a distance of not less than 1 500 millimetres from the frontage in order to provide appropriate splayed lines of vision for a motorist using the driveway for access to a thoroughfare.
- (3) The provision of subclause (2) shall not apply to a fence—

- (a) of open construction that does not obscure the lines of vision of a motorist using the driveway for access to a thoroughfare; or
- (b) that does not adjoin a footpath.

2.3 Gates in fences

A person shall not erect a gate in a fence which does not—

- (a) open into the lot, if the gate is providing access to a thoroughfare; or
- (b) open by sliding parallel and on the inside of the fence, which it forms part of, when closed.

2.4 Depositing fencing material on public place

A person shall not deposit or permit the deposit of any materials whatsoever used in the construction or maintenance of any fence, on any thoroughfare, public place or local government property without the approval of the local government.

2.5 Fences on a rural lot

A person shall not, without the written consent of the Building Surveyor, erect a fence on a rural lot of a height exceeding 1 500 millimetres.

2.6 Maintenance of fences

An owner of a lot on which a fence is erected shall maintain the fence in good condition so as to prevent it from becoming dangerous, dilapidated, or unsightly to the amenity of the locality.

2.7 Fences across rights-of-way, public access ways or thoroughfares

A person must not, without the approval of the local government, erect or maintain a fence or obstruction of a temporary or permanent nature across any right-of-way, public access way or thoroughfare so as to impede or prevent use of those facilities in the manner for which they are intended and constructed.

2.8 General discretion of the local government

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 2.1, the local government may approve the erection or repair of a dividing fence which is not a sufficient fence where all of the owners of the lots to be separated by the dividing fence make an application for approval for that purpose.
- (2) In determining whether to grant its approval under subclause (1), the local government may consider whether the erection or retention of the fence would have an adverse effect on—
 - (a) the safe or convenient use of any land;
 - (b) the safety or convenience of any person; or
 - (c) the visual amenity of the locality.

Division 3—Fencing materials

Where required by the Building Surveyor, fencing designs are to be certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer as being suitable for wind loadings found in Region D Category 2 areas in accordance with the current edition of *AS/NZS 1170:2011* as amended from time to time.

2.9 Pre-used fencing materials

- (1) Notwithstanding clause 2.1, a person shall not construct a fence on a residential lot, a commercial lot or an industrial lot from pre-used materials without the approval of the local government.
- (2) Where the local government approves the use of pre-used materials in the construction of a fence under subclause (1), that approval shall be conditional on the applicant painting or treating the pre-used material as directed by the Building Surveyor.

2.10 Barbed wire fences and spiked or jagged materials

- (1) This clause does not apply to a fence constructed wholly or partly of razor wire.
- (2) An owner or occupier of a residential lot or a commercial lot shall not erect, affix or allow to remain on any fence on such a lot any barbed wire or other material with spiked or jagged projections, unless the prior written approval of the local government has been obtained.

- (3) An owner or occupier of an industrial lot shall not erect, affix or allow to remain on any fence bounding that lot any barbed wire or other materials with spiked or jagged projections unless the wire or other materials are carried on posts at an angle of 45 degrees, and unless the bottom row of wire or other materials is setback 150 millimetres from the face of the fence and is not nearer than 2 000 millimetres from the ground level.
- (4) If the posts which carry the barbed wire or other materials referred to in subclause (3) are angled towards the outside of the lot bounded by the fence, the face of the fence must be setback from the lot boundary a sufficient distance to ensure that the angled posts, barbed wire or other materials do not encroach on adjoining land.
- (5) An owner or occupier of a lot shall not erect, affix or allow to remain as part of any fence or wall, whether internal or external on that lot, any broken glass.
- (6) An owner or occupier of a rural lot, a special rural lot or a special residential lot, shall not erect, affix or allow to remain any barbed wire upon a fence on that lot, where the fence is adjacent to a thoroughfare or other public place, unless the barbed wire is fixed to the side of the fence posts furthest from the thoroughfare or other public place.

2.11 Electrified and razor wire fences

- (1) An owner or occupier of a lot shall not—
 - (a) construct or use an electrified fence on that lot, without obtaining the approval of the local government, in the form prescribed in Schedule 6; or
 - (b) construct a fence wholly or partly of razor wire on that lot, without obtaining the approval of the local government.
- (2) The local government shall not approve an application for the purpose of subclause (1)(a)—
 - (a) in respect of a lot which is or which abuts a residential lot;
 - (b) unless the proposed fence will comply with *AS/NZS 3016:2002* as amended from time to time; and
 - (c) unless provision is made so as to enable the fence to be rendered inoperable during the hours of business operations, if any, on the lot where it is erected.
- (3) The local government shall not approve an application for the purpose of subclause (1)(b)—
 - (a) if the fence is within 3 000 millimetres of the boundary of the lot; or
 - (b) where any razor wire used in the construction of the fence is less than 2 000 millimetres or more than 2 400 millimetres above the ground level.
- (4) An application for approval for the purpose of subclauses (1)(a) or (1)(b) shall be made by the owner of the lot on which the fence is or is to be erected, or by the occupier of the lot with the written consent of the owner.

2.12 Prohibited fencing materials

A person shall not affix or use broken glass in the construction of any fence.

PART 3—APPROVALS

3.1 Application for approval

- (1) Where a person is required to obtain the approval of the local government under this local law, that person shall apply for approval in accordance with subclause (2).
- (2) An application for approval under this local law shall—
 - (a) be in the form determined by the local government;
 - (b) be signed by the applicant and the owner of the lot;
 - (c) provide the information required by the form; and
 - (d) be forwarded to the CEO together with any fee imposed and determined by the local government under and in accordance with sections 6.16 and 6.19 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

(3) The local government may require an applicant to provide additional information reasonably related to an application before determining an application for approval.

(4) The local government may refuse to consider an application for approval which is not in accordance with subclauses (2) and (3).

3.2 Decision on application for approval

(1) The local government may—

- (a) approve an application for approval unconditionally or subject to any conditions; or
- (b) refuse to approve an application for approval.

(2) If the local government approves an application for approval, it is to issue to the applicant an approval in the form determined by the local government.

(3) If the local government refuses to approve an application for approval, it is to give written notice of that refusal to the applicant.

(4) Where a clause of this local law refers to conditions which may be imposed on an approval or which are to be taken to be imposed on an approval, the clause does not limit the power of the local government to impose other conditions on the approval under subclause (1)(a).

3.3 Compliance with approval

Where an application for approval has been approved, the applicant and the owner or occupier of the lot to which the approval relates, shall comply with the terms and any conditions of that approval.

3.4 Duration of approval

Unless otherwise stated in the form of approval, an approval granted under this local law runs with the lot to which it relates and for the avoidance of doubt, it may be relied upon by any subsequent occupier or owner of the lot, and may be enforced against them by the local government.

3.5 Cancellation of an approval

Subject to Division 1 Part 9 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the local government may cancel an approval issued under this Part if—

- (a) the fence no longer satisfies the required specifications; or
- (b) the owner or occupier breaches any condition upon which the approval has been issued.

PART 4—MISCELLANEOUS

4.1 False or misleading statement

A person shall not make a false or misleading statement in connection with any application, requirement or request under this local law.

PART 5—NOTICES OF BREACH

5.1 Notices of breach

(1) Where a breach of any provision of this local law has occurred in relation to a fence on a lot, the local government may give a notice in writing to the owner of that lot.

(2) A notice of breach shall—

- (a) specify the provision of this local law which has been breached;
- (b) specify the particulars of the breach; and
- (c) state that the owner is required to remedy the breach within the time specified in the notice.

(3) Should an owner fail to comply with a notice of breach, the local government may, by its employees, agents or contractors enter upon the lot to which the notice relates and remedy the breach, and may recover the expenses of so doing from the owner of the lot in a court of competent jurisdiction.

(4) The provisions of this clause are subject to section 3.25 and item 12 of Division 1 of Schedule 3.1 of the Act and any power of entry exercised by the local government under this local law is subject to Part 3, Division 3 of the Act.

PART 6—OFFENCES

6.1 Offences and penalties

- (1) A person who fails to comply with a notice of breach commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a penalty of not less than \$250 and not exceeding \$5 000 and, if the offence is a continuing offence, to a maximum daily penalty of \$500.
- (2) A person who fails to comply with or who contravenes any provision of this local law commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a penalty of not less than \$250 and not exceeding \$5 000 and, if the offence is a continuing offence, to a maximum daily penalty of \$500.

6.2 Modified penalties

- (1) An offence against any provision of this local law is a prescribed offence for the purposes of section 9.16(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.
- (2) The amount appearing in the final column of Schedule 1, directly opposite a prescribed offence in that Schedule, is the modified penalty for that prescribed offence.

6.3 Forms of notices

For the purposes of this local law—

- (a) the form of the infringement notice referred to in sections 9.16 and 9.17 of the *Local Government Act 1995* is to be in the form of Form 2 of Schedule 1 of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*; and
- (b) the form of the withdrawal of infringement notice referred to in section 9.20 of the *Local Government Act 1995* is to be in the form of Form 3 in Schedule 1 of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*.

PART 7—OBJECTIONS AND REVIEW

7.1 Objections and review

When the local government makes a decision under clause 3.2, the provisions of Part 9 Division 1 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, and regulation 33 of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, apply to that decision.

Schedule 1 - Offences and modified penalties
[clause 6.2(2)]

Item No	Clause No.	Nature of offence	Modified penalties \$
1	2.1(1)	Erect a fence which is not a sufficient fence	250
2	2.2	Erect a fence greater than 1 200 millimetres in height within a front setback area of a residential lot without the written consent of the local government	250
3	2.3(a)	Erect a gate in a fence not opening into the lot, if the gate is providing access to a thoroughfare	200
4	2.3(b)	Erect a gate in a fence not sliding parallel and inside a fence	200
5	2.5	Erect a fence on a rural lot of a height exceeding 1 500 millimetres without the written consent of the local government	200
6	2.6	Failure to maintain a fence in good condition to prevent the fence becoming dangerous, dilapidated or unsightly	250
7	2.7	Erect or maintain a fence or obstruction of temporary or permanent nature across a right-of-way, public access way or thoroughfare without approval	250
8	2.9(1)	Construct a fence on a residential, commercial or industrial lot from pre-used materials without written approval	250

9	2.10(2)	Erect a fence using barbed wire or material with spiked or jagged projections in the fence construction without written approval	250
10	2.11(1)	Construct, erect or use razor wire in a fence or electrify a fence without approval	250
11	2.12	Affix, or use, any broken glass in a fence	250
12	3.3	Failure to comply with terms or conditions of approval	250
13	6.1	Failure to comply with notice of breach	250

Schedule 2 - Specifications for a sufficient fence on a residential lot
[clause 2.1(2)(a)]

Each of the identified categories in this Schedule is a sufficient fence on a residential lot –

1. Timber fence

- (a) corner posts to be 125 millimetres x 125 millimetres x 2 400 millimetres and intermediate posts to be 125 millimetres x 75 millimetres x 2 400 millimetres spaced at 2 400 millimetres centres;
- (b) corner posts to be strutted 2 ways with 100 millimetres x 50 millimetres x 450 millimetres sole plates and 75 millimetres x 50 millimetres struts;
- (c) intermediate posts to be doubled yankee strutted with 150 millimetres x 25 millimetres x 450 millimetres struts;
- (d) all posts to have tops with a 60 millimetres weather cut and to be sunk at least 600 millimetres into the ground;
- (e) rails to be 75 millimetres x 50 millimetres with each rail spanning 2 bays of fencing double railed or bolted to each post with joints staggered;
- (f) the fence to be covered with 75 millimetres x 20 millimetres sawn pickets, 1 800 millimetres in height placed 75 millimetres apart and affixed securely to each rail; and
- (g) the height of the fence to be 1 800 millimetres except with respect to the front setback area for which there is no minimum height but which is subject to clause 7.

2. Corrugated fence

A fence constructed of corrugated fibre reinforced pressed cement or steel sheeting constructed to manufacturer's specifications or which satisfies the following specifications—

- (a) a minimum in-ground length of 25 per cent of the total length of the sheet, but in any case shall have a minimum in-ground depth of 600 millimetres;
- (b) the total height and depth of the fence to consist of a single continuous fibre reinforced cement or steel sheet;
- (c) the sheets to be lapped and capped with extruded snap-fit type capping in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications; and
- (d) the height of the fence to be 1 800 millimetres except with respect to the front setback area for which there is no minimum height but which is subject to clause 7.

3. Brick, stone or concrete fence

A fence constructed of brick, stone or concrete, which satisfies the following requirements and specifications—

- (a) a site classification is to be provided by a suitably qualified engineer in accordance with *AS 2870:2011 Residential slabs and footings* as amended from time to time;
- (b) the footing is to be designed in accordance with *AS 2870:2011 Residential slabs and footings* as amended from time to time;
- (c) footings having a minimum of 225 millimetres x 150 millimetres concrete 15MPa or 300 millimetres x 175 millimetres brick laid in cement mortar;
- (d) fences to be offset a minimum of 200 millimetres at maximum 3 000 millimetres centres or 225 millimetres x 100 millimetres engaged piers to be provided at maximum 3 000 millimetres centres;
- (e) expansion joints in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications; and
- (f) the height of the fence to be 1 800 millimetres except with respect to the front setback area for which there is no minimum height but which is subject to clause 2.2.

4. Composite fence

A composite fence which satisfies the following specifications for the brick construction—

- (1)
 - (a) brick piers shall have a minimum of 345 millimetres x 345 millimetres at 1 800 millimetres centres bonded to a minimum height base wall of 514 millimetres;
 - (b) each brick pier shall be reinforced with one R10 galvanised starting rod 1 500 millimetres high with a 250 millimetres horizontal leg bedded into a 500 millimetres x 200 millimetres concrete footing and set 65 millimetres above the base of the footing. The top of the footing shall be 1 course (85 millimetres) below ground level;
 - (c) the minimum ultimate strength of brickwork shall be 20MPa. Mortar shall be a mix of 1 part cement, 1 part lime and 6 parts sand;
 - (d) the ground under the footings is to be compacted to 6 blows per 300 millimetres and checked with a standard falling weight penetrometer; and
 - (e) control joints in brickwork shall be provided with double piers at a maximum of 6 metre centres;

or

- (2)
 - (a) brick piers of a minimum 345 millimetres x 345 millimetres x 2 700 millimetres centres bonded to the base wall; and
 - (b) each pier shall be reinforced with 2 R10 galvanised starting rods as previously specified.

Schedule 3 - Specifications for a sufficient fence on a commercial lot or an industrial lot [clause 2.1(2)(b)]

Each of the identified categories in this Schedule, with minimum and maximum specifications where stated, is a sufficient fence on a commercial lot or an industrial lot and the fence design being certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer as being suitable for wind loadings found in Region D Category 2 areas in accordance with the current edition of *AS/NZS 1170:2011* as amended from time to time.

1. Galvanised or PVC fence and gate

A fence constructed of galvanised or PVC coated non-rail link mesh, chain mesh or steel mesh which satisfies the following specifications—

- (a) corner posts to be a minimum of 50 millimetres nominal bore x 3.5 millimetres and with footings of a 225 millimetres diameter x 900 millimetres;
- (b) intermediate posts to be minimum 37 millimetres nominal bore x 3.15 millimetres at maximum 3.5 metre centres and with footings of a 225 millimetres diameter x 600 millimetres;
- (c) struts to be minimum 30 millimetres nominal bore x 3.15 millimetres fitted at each gate and 2 at each corner post and with footings 225 millimetres x 600 millimetres;
- (d) cables to be affixed to the top, centre and bottom of all posts and to consist of 2 or more 3.15 millimetres wires twisted together or single 4 millimetres wire;
- (e) non-rail link, chain or steel mesh is to be to a height of 2 000 millimetres on top of which are to be 3 strands of barbed wire carrying the fence to a height of 2 400 millimetres in accordance with the requirements and standards of the district planning schemes; and
- (f) galvanised link mesh wire to be 2 000 millimetres in height and constructed of 50 millimetres mesh 2.5 millimetres galvanised iron wire and to be strained, neatly secured and laced to the posts and affixed to cables. Vehicle entry gates shall provide an opening of not less than 3.6 metres and shall be constructed of 25 millimetres tubular framework with 1 horizontal and 1 vertical stay constructed of 20 millimetres piping and shall be covered with 50 millimetres x 2.5 millimetres galvanised link mesh strained to framework. Gates shall be fixed with a drop bolt and locking attachment.

2. Other fences

- (a) a fence of cement sheet or steel sheeting constructed to the minimum specifications referred to in Schedule 2;
- (b) a fence constructed of aluminium sheeting when supported on posts and rails provided that it is used behind a building line and is of a minimum height of 1 800 millimetres but no greater than 2 400 millimetres; or

- (c) a fence of timber, brick, stone or concrete constructed to the minimum specifications referred to in Schedule 2.

Schedule 4 - Specifications for a sufficient fence on a rural lot or special rural lot

[clause 2.1(2)(c)]

Each of the identified categories in this Schedule, with minimum and maximum specifications where stated is a sufficient fence on a rural lot or a special rural lot and the fence design being certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer as being suitable for wind loadings found in Region D Category 2 areas in accordance with the current edition of *AS/NZS 1170:2011* as amended from time to time.

1. Non-electrified fence

- (a) wire shall be high tensile wire and not less than 2.5 millimetres. A minimum of 5 wires shall be used, generally with the lower wires spaced closer together than the higher wires so as to prevent smaller stock passing through, and connected to posts in all cases.
- (b) posts shall be of indigenous timber or other suitable material including—
 - (i) timber impregnated with a termite and fungicidal preservative;
 - (ii) standard iron star pickets; or
 - (iii) concrete;
- (c) cut not less than 1 800 millimetres long x 50 millimetres diameter at small end if round or 125 millimetres x 60 millimetres if split or sawn;
- (d) posts to be set minimum 600 millimetres in the ground and 1 200 millimetres above the ground; and
- (e) strainer posts shall be not less than 2 250 millimetres long and 150 millimetres diameter at the small end (tubular steel to be 50 millimetres in diameter) and shall be cut from indigenous timber or other suitable material. These shall be placed a minimum of 1 000 millimetres in the ground.

2. Electrified fence

An electrified fence having 4 wires is a sufficient fence if constructed generally in accordance with a non-electrified fence.

Schedule 5 - Specifications for a sufficient fence on a special residential lot

[clause 2.1(2)(d)]

A sufficient fence on a special residential lot is a fence of posts and wire construction, shall satisfy the following minimum specifications -

- (a) wire shall be high tensile wire and not less than 2.5 millimetres. A minimum of 5 wires shall be used, these to be spaced equally and threaded through 6 millimetres holes in posts to all fences;
- (b) posts shall be of indigenous timber or other suitable material including timber impregnated with a termite and fungicidal preservative cut not less than 1800 millimetres long x 100 millimetres diameter at small end if round or 125 millimetres x 60 millimetres if split or sawn. Posts to be set minimum 600 millimetres in the ground and 1200 millimetres above the ground spaced at 4000 millimetres maximum centres; and
- (c) strainer posts shall be not less than 2250 millimetres long and 150 millimetres diameter at the small end and shall be cut from indigenous timber or other suitable material. These shall be placed a minimum of 1000 millimetres in the ground and set at all corners, gateways and fence line angles but not exceeding 200 metres apart.
- (d) No boundary fence shall be constructed of the following materials—
 - (i) fibro cement;
 - (ii) metal sheeting; or
 - (iii) wooden pickets.

Schedule 6 - Licence for approved electrified fence
[clause 2.11(1)(a)]

This is to certify that

(1) _____

of (2) _____

is licensed, subject to the conditions set out below, to have and use an electrified fence on

_____ (address)

from _____ 20 _____ and until this licence is transferred or cancelled.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Northampton

Conditions of Licence—

The holder of the licence must—

- (a) display the licence in a prominent position on the land or premises on which the electrified fence has been erected;
- (b) upon the request of a Building Surveyor produce to him or her the licence;
- (c) within 14 days of a change in the ownership or occupation of the land or premises in respect of which the licence has been granted, notify the CEO in writing of the details of that change or those changes;
- (d) obtain the written consent of the authorised person prior to the commencement of any alteration, addition or other work relating to or affecting the electrified fence; and
- (e) comply with *AS/NZS 3016:2002* as amended from time to time.

Transfer by Endorsement

This licence is transferred to (3) _____

of (4) _____

from and including the date of this endorsement.

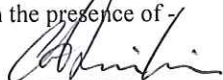
Dated this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Northampton

- (1) Name
- (2) Address
- (3) Name
- (4) Address

Dated 16-6 2017

The Common Seal of the)
Shire of Northampton was affixed by)
authority of a resolution of the Council)
in the presence of)



CRAIG SIMKIN
President



GARRY KEEFFE
Chief Executive Officer



