

# **GOLD COAST CITY COUNCIL**



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1 To be read with **Local Law No 13 (Hinze and Little Nerang Dams) Law**

**Application**

2 In line with local government's powers of regulations under the above Local Law, the following Local Law Policy will apply for the effective regulation of activities within the objectives of this Local Law.

**Area**

3 The Area under the influence of this Local Law is all local government owned or controlled land within the water supply catchment of Hinze Dam plus that local government owned Area downstream of the Hinze Dam that forms part of the Hinze Dam Park. All activities or references made in the Local Law includes the water bodies that make up the Little Nerang and Advancetown Lakes, both surface and sub-surface.

**Definitions**

4 In this Local Law Policy, the following shall have the meaning shown:-

**"Agent"** through to **"Vessel"**.

**Natural Environment**

5 Local government is committed to protect the natural environment, as far as is practicable, to maintain the natural amenity and beauty both for the enjoyment of visitors and for the sustainment of the flora and fauna within the local government controlled Area.

### **Built Environment**

- 6 Local government assets provided, either for the functions associated with the storage and transport of water or for the recreational use of visitors, are to be protected against damage and malfunction.

### **Water Quality**

- 7 The primary function of the Dams is the provision of a potable water supply. The integrity of the water supply is to be protected against pollution, particularly that resulting from human activities, within the catchment Area and in the impounded water body.

### **Camping**

- 8 Uncontrolled camping is not permitted on Local government owned land within the catchment due to the risk of pollution. Organised group camping eg. scouts, may be conditionally permitted in writing by the Authorised Person or Agent. Groups conducting recreational events on or around the Dams may similarly be conditionally permitted to camp in the Park Areas downstream of the Dam walls.

### **Safety**

- 9 No activity will be permitted in the Area that threatens or compromises the personal safety of any person.

### **Control of Animals**

- 10 (i) Domestic pets are permitted in the Area, but only under the strict control of their handlers, meaning dogs are required to be on a leash and kept under control. Animals present in the Area are subject to local government's Animal Control Local Laws and Local Law Policies.

- (ii) An Area of Hinze Dam Park is made available for dog exercising and training purposes. Within this Area, identified with appropriate signage, dogs are permitted without a leash, however the animals must remain under the effective control of the handlers so as not to cause damage to the environment or nuisance to other park users.
- (iii) Horses shall not be brought into or ridden in the Area without a conditional permit which may be issued by an Authorised Person or Agent.

### **Fishing**

- 11 Local government supports and encourages the recreational activity of freshwater fishing in Hinze Dam. The Hinze Dam Fish Management Committee has been established to coordinate the fish stocking of the Dam and to promote freshwater fishing. Funding for stockings of fish and fishing promotion shall be provided from the sale of Fishing Permits, the fees for permits to be determined by the Hinze Dam Fish Management Committee. Permits may be issued for fishing in Hinze Dam only.

### **Power Boating**

- 12 (i) Motor boats powered by or fitted with internal combustion engines are not permitted to be launched or operated in the Area without the approval of an Authorised Person or an Agent.
- (ii) A permit may be issued by an Authorised Person or an Agent for the launching and operation of a motor boat in the Area where such use is for safety and/or operational purposes and is directly associated with a permitted activity.
- (iii) Boats powered by electric motors are permitted in the Area.

### **Sailing and Rowing Boats**

- 13 (i) Sailing and rowing boats are permitted in the Area. Persons taking part in such activities are responsible for their own safety and compliance with relevant statutory conditions.
- (ii) Regattas and organised sailing or boating activities may be permitted in the Area, however a conditional permit must first be obtained by the organisers from an Authorised Person or Agent. Persons operating a boat in the Area shall not interfere with the staging of any such authorised regatta, boating or sailing activity.

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