

INFORMATION SHEET

DEMOLITION

A Demolition Licence must be obtained before work commences on any demolition project whether residential, commercial or industrial in nature, within the Shire of Esperance.

The demolition of all buildings with the exception of a single storey dwelling (Class 1) and domestic sheds, garages, patios or similar (Class 10) will require a licenced contractor to apply for the Demolition Licence.

To apply for a Demolition Licence, a Demolition Licence Application Form together with photos and plans of the buildings to be demolished is to be submitted to the Shire of Esperance. A fee of \$50 per storey demolished applies when lodging an application for a Demolition Licence.

The payment of a kerb and footpath bond of \$1,000 (\$500 kerb / \$500 footpath) may be required prior to the issue of a Demolition Licence. Bonds are refundable upon the satisfactory completion of the demolition works provided kerbs and / or footpaths have not been damaged during the demolition process.

The Shire of Esperance Building Services department must be notified of the existence of any materials containing asbestos at least 7 days prior to demolition as there are specific requirements to be followed in regard to demolishing buildings containing asbestos products (as required by the Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996, see information sheet 'Removal of Asbestos Cement Building Products').

The Shire of Esperance Environmental Health Services department must be notified of the existence of any septic tanks on the demolition site at least 7 days prior to the emptying, filling or removal of such tanks. Any leach drains, soak wells or similar apparatus must be removed or filled with clean sand.

Buildings to be demolished must be rat baited 7 – 10 days prior to demolition and the Shire notified (via the form attached to the Demolition Licence) prior to commencing the demolition work.

Telstra, Horizon Power, Water Corporation and any other relevant supply authorities must also be notified before any demolition work commences and arrangements made for the disconnection of all such services. Applicants are advised to contact the 'Dial Before You Dig' hotline (1100) prior to commencing works which may impact unseen subterranean infrastructure.

The demolition site is required to be cleared, clean and tidy to the satisfaction of the Shire of Esperance within 90 days from the date of commencement of the demolition.

The applicant is responsible for ensuring all demolition works are carried out safely and in accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996 and Australian Standard 2601.

Before undertaking any demolition works, it is recommended that you discuss your proposal with Building Services on (08) 9071 0676 during normal office hours.

Note:

When disposing of materials containing asbestos, the Wylie Bay Waste Management Facility (08 9071 7594) must be notified at least 24 hours beforehand.