








How to get it right on a building site

The City of Ballarat has created Community Local Law 2017 to protect the safety, health and amenity of residents and visitors to Ballarat. Several clauses within the local law deal with the standards that need to be met when you are doing building works.





Below is a simple list of what to do and not do to make sure your building site complies with the local law.

If you are on a building site...

Do

-  Apply for a permit to place a mobile waste bin, skip, or any waste container on City of Ballarat land or road.
-  Apply for a non-transferable Asset Protection Permit from the City of Ballarat to carry out or allow to be carried out Building Works on a property.
-  Put all building refuse in a refuse container with a lid. When it's full, make sure it's collected immediately.
-  Put a 1.5m fence around the edge of the building site, prior to the commencement of works, with one access point at the vehicle crossing at the front of the property. Keep the fence up until all works are finished.
-  Put up a sign at the front of the site, prior to the commencement of works, that can be clearly read in normal light conditions from the road. At a minimum the sign must include the builder's name and postal address, builder's contact number and site address, including the Lot number. Keep the sign there until all building work is done.

Don't

-  Put any materials or items, such as building refuse, on City of Ballarat land without approval from the City of Ballarat.
-  Put up fences that block footpaths or access to property next door that is not controlled or owned by the builder.
-  Leave polystyrene products, builder's materials, soil or refuse on City of Ballarat land.
-  Illegally park vehicles, for example not on City of Ballarat nature strips or reservations.

Remember: penalties of up to \$1,500 apply to anyone found not complying with the local law. The permit holder is responsible for the repair, replacement or reinstatement of any Council assets or infrastructure damaged during building works.

For more information on how to apply for a local law permit visit ballarat.vic.gov.au.

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