

Safety signage in recreational areas

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Strategy	5.2.8 Identify and manage risk associated with all Council activities and ensure a safe and healthy work environment

1. Purpose

To ensure that Council has in place appropriate, compliant and consistent safety signage in its public recreation areas, including beaches, swimming pools, playgrounds, parks and reserves.

2. Scope

The scope of the Policy covers all safety signage to be erected throughout the Clarence Valley following the adoption of this policy.

3. Policy Statement

Council will ensure that appropriate safety signage is erected in its public recreation areas.

Public recreation areas include beaches, swimming pools, skate parks, playgrounds, parks and reserves.

Prior to erecting any signage, Council will undertake a risk assessment of the area to determine the risks/hazards that may exist.

The risk assessment will determine the safety signage that is appropriate for that area, as well as its location within that area.

All signage will comply with, and be prepared in accordance with, the relevant Australian Standards and with the Statewide Best Practice Manual on signs.

Signs will be practical with an emphasis on symbols. They will provide clear and consistent messages and will be visible, legible and durable. Where appropriate, signs will include a general warning message.

Council will develop a corporate signage style and all signs will be consistent with this style.

Following erection, all signs will be linked to an inspection and maintenance program.

4. References

Statewide Best Practice Manual on Signs