### Community activities code

#### Application

This code applies to development identified as requiring assessment against the Community activities code by the tables of assessment in **Part 5 (Tables of assessment)**.

#### Purpose and overall outcomes

1. The purpose of the Community activities code is to ensure community activities are appropriately located to maximise community benefit and are designed in a manner which meets the needs of users and protects the amenity of surrounding premises.
2. The purpose of the Community activities code will be achieved through the following overall outcomes:-
   1. a community activity is established in a manner that maximises community benefit;
   2. where practicable, a community activity is integrated and co-located with other community or business activities; and
   3. the operation of a community activity does not have a detrimental impact on the amenity of adjoining residential premises.

#### Specific benchmarks for assessment

Benchmarks for assessable development

| **Performance outcomes** | **Acceptable outcomes** | **Compliance / Representations** |
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| ***Location and site suitability*** | |  |
| **PO1**  The community activity is located:-   1. conveniently to the population that it is intended to serve; and 2. in an area that is intended for a community activity use. | **AO1**  The community activity is located within the Community facilities zone.  **OR**  The community activity is located within a centre zone.  **OR**  The community activity is located in another zone, other than an industry zone, adjacent to an existing compatible community activity. | Provide a brief description how your proposal complies with the relevant Acceptable outcome (if applicable) or a detailed analysis how compliance is achieved with the Performance outcome. |
| **PO2**  The community activity is located on a site that is capable of accommodating a well-designed and integrated facility. | **AO2**  No acceptable outcome provided. | Click and provide your representations. |
| ***Scale of buildings and structures*** | |  |
| **PO3**  The scale of buildings and structures used for the community activity is appropriate for its setting having regard to the location of the community activity and the nature and scale of surrounding development. | **AO3**  Where a standalone use and not located in a centre zone, the community activity has a maximum site cover of 50%.  **OR**  Where not a standalone use or where located in a centre zone—no acceptable outcome provided. | Click and provide your representations. |
| **PO4**  The layout and design of the community activity provides a safe and secure environment for all users and incorporates crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) principles. | **AO4**  No acceptable outcome provided. | Click and provide your representations. |
| ***Protection of residential amenity*** | |  |
| **PO5**  The community activity does not impose unreasonable adverse impacts on any surrounding residential area. | **AO5.1**  Where adjoining a residential use, a minimum 1.8 metre high solid acoustic screen fence and a 2 metre wide landscaping strip is provided along the full length of all common site boundaries.  **AO5.2**  Intrusive outdoor activities are located and orientated away from residential premises.  **AO5.3**  Any building is set back a minimum of 3m from all site boundaries adjoining a residential use or land included in a residential zone.  **AO5.4**  Waste bin storage areas are enclosed and screened from the street frontage. | Click and provide your representations. |
| ***Recommended flood level*** | |  |
| **PO6**  The functioning of a community activity that is essential community service infrastructure is maintained during and immediately after flood and storm tide inundation events.  Editor’s note—essential community service infrastructure is defined in **Schedule 1 (Definitions)**. | **AO6.1**  A community activity that is essential community service infrastructure is:-   1. located in an area that is above the recommended flood levels identified in **Table 9.2.4.3.2** (**Recommended flood level for a community activity that is essential community service infrastructure)**; and 2. located and designed to ensure any components of the infrastructure that are likely to fail to function or may result in contamination when inundated by floodwaters (e.g. electrical switchgear and motors, water supply pipeline air valves) are:    1. located above the recommended flood level; or    2. designed and constructed to exclude floodwater intrusion/infiltration.   **AO6.2**  A community activity that is emergency services and shelters, police facilities and hospitals, and associated facilities has an emergency rescue area above the recommended flood level in **Table 9.2.4.3.2** for that activity. | Click and provide your representations. |

Recommended flood level for a community activity that is essential community service infrastructure

| **Type of community activity** | **Recommended flood level** |
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| Emergency service facilities (refer to note) | 0.2% annual exceedance probability (AEP) |
| Emergency shelters | In accordance with the *Design guidelines for Queensland public cyclone shelters* (available at [www.hpw.qld.gov.au](http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au)) |
| Hospitals and associated facilities | 0.2% AEP |
| Police facilities (refer to note) | 0.5% AEP |
| School facilities | 0.5% AEP |
| Stores of valuable records or items of historic or cultural significance | 0.5% AEP |

Note—some police and emergency services facilities (e.g. water police and search and rescue operations) are dependent on direct water access. The recommended flood levels do not apply to these aspects but other operational areas should be located above the recommended flood level to the greatest extent feasible.