

52.14 MOTOR VEHICLE, BOAT OR CARAVAN SALES

Purpose

To ensure that amenity, site layout and design are considered when land is to be used for motor vehicle, boat or caravan sales, especially if the site adjoins a residential zone.

To ensure that use of land for motor vehicle, boat or caravan sales does not impair traffic flow or road safety.

Requirements to be met

Land may be used for motor vehicle, boat or caravan sales only if the following requirements are met. A permit may be granted to vary the requirements.

- No more than 2 vehicle crossovers may service the site from a road and at the road alignment a crossover must be no wider than 9.2 metres.
- Except at crossovers, a kerb or barrier must be built along the road alignment to prevent the passage of vehicles and to prevent vehicles protruding beyond the site boundary.
- Except where a kerb or barrier is installed, the area within 6 metres of the road must be sealed to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- No building other than an office with a floor area not exceeding 19 square metres and toilet facilities may be built on the site.
- The site must contain a concrete bay for washing vehicles and waste from the bay must drain into a public sewer or a settlement and oil separation system. The system must comply with the Environment Protection Act 1970 and be installed to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- Vehicles may be washed only in the washing bay.
- Water from the site must be discharged by an underground pipe to an approved outlet to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- No vehicle for sale or hire may be displayed on an adjacent road.
- No vehicle may be repaired on the site.
- An area of at least 1 space to each 10 spaces or part must be set aside on the site for customer and employee car parking and for valuing vehicles. The area must be clearly marked by a sign reading 'customer parking' with the letters at least 50 millimetres high.
- On a car sales or hire site, the number of cars for sale or hire must not exceed 1 to each 30 square metres of site area.
- If the site is more than one lot it must be consolidated into one title.
- If the site adjoins a residential zone:
 - A landscape buffer strip at least 3 metres wide must be provided on the site along the common boundary and planted and maintained to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
 - Except for the landscape buffer strip, all of the site not occupied by buildings must be sealed to prevent dust.
 - External lights must be directed away from the residential zone to prevent light spill and glare.