

## Division 3 – Specific Issue Codes

### 4.19 Signs Code

#### (1) Purpose

- (a) The purpose of the Signs Code is the achievement of the overall outcomes sought for the development of On-premises signs and Advertising devices.
- (b) The overall outcomes sought are:
  - (i) Signs are compatible with the physical characteristics of the site, the character and built form of the premises on the site and the amenity of the local area.
  - (ii) Signs are safely constructed and secured and do not create a hazard.
  - (iii) The visual amenity of the Shire is protected from adverse effects of the proliferation of signage and associated visual clutter.
  - (iv) The community's ability to find premises and move between places in the Shire is enhanced through the use of signs.

#### (2) Elements

##### (a) Number of Signs

Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions for Assessable Development; and Acceptable Solutions for Accepted Development with requirements
O1 Signs do not create visual clutter or visually dominate the built form.	<p>S1 The total number of signs on a site is limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) For premises in the Business Zone or Industry Zone:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) directional signs;</li> <li>(ii) a single wall or fascia sign per tenancy or if a development comprising multiple tenancies, a single pylon sign per site; and</li> <li>(iii) an awning sign per tenancy.</li> </ol> </li> <li>(b) For premises used for Recreational Purposes or Community Purposes:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) directional signs;</li> <li>(ii) a single fascia, wall or over awning sign per tenancy.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

##### (b) Design and Siting

Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions for Assessable Development; and Acceptable Solutions for Accepted Development with requirements
O2 Signs are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) designed and constructed of materials which complement the material used in the buildings on the site; and</li> <li>(b) consistent with the scale and integrated with the design of buildings and other works on the site and the locality and contribute to the</li> </ol>	<p>S2 (a) Signs are limited to wording which identifies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) name of the business occupying the premises; and</li> <li>(ii) location of the premises; and</li> <li>(iii) nature of the business; and</li> </ol>

Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions for Assessable Development; and Acceptable Solutions for Accepted Development with requirements
character and amenity of the streetscape;  and (c) sited on premises to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• avoid confusion with traffic signs, or reduction in their visibility or conspicuous nature; and</li> <li>• avoid hazards to vehicular or pedestrian traffic due to their location or illumination; and</li> <li>• assist with identification purposes rather than advertising.</li> </ul>	(iv) products manufactured or sold by the business premises; and  (v) contact details for the business;  and (b) Signs are located at the front façade or within the frontage setback of a building; and  (c) Signs are designed and constructed in accordance with the criteria applicable to the type of sign stated in column 1 of Table 23 and illustrated in the corresponding diagram in Column 2 of the table; and  (d) Signs are not painted directly onto a building or any other wall or barrier.

(3) Types of signs consistent with this code include:

‘Above awning sign’ means a sign attached to and supported above an awning.

‘Awning fascia sign’ means a sign attached to the fascia of an awning.

‘Below awning sign’ means a sign attached to and supported below the awning.

‘Building fascia sign’ means a sign attached to the fascia of a building.

‘Hanging sign’ means a sign suspended from a bracket attached to a wall or a pole.

‘Horizontal projecting wall sign’ means a sign attached to and projecting from the street façade of a building with the greater dimension being the projecting horizontal distance.

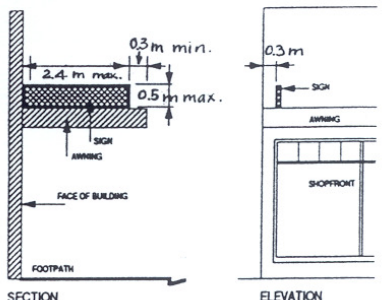
‘Pole or pylon sign’ means a sign erected on a pole or pylon independent of any building or other structure.

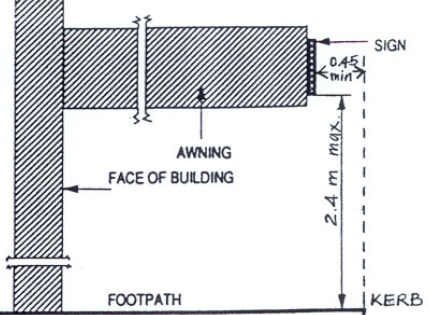
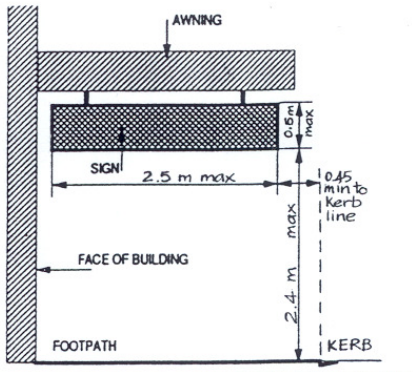
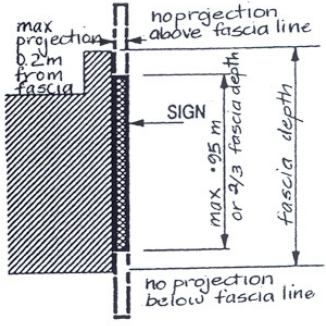
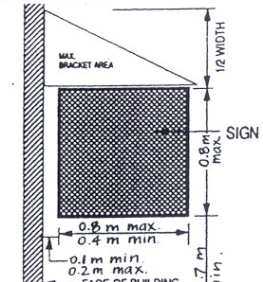
‘Portable sign’ means a sign not permanently attached to the ground or building structure that may be easily relocated.

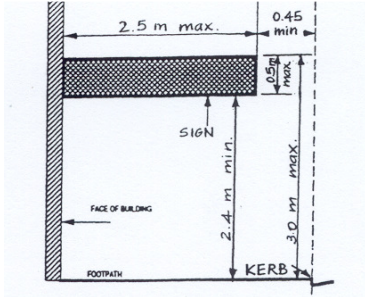
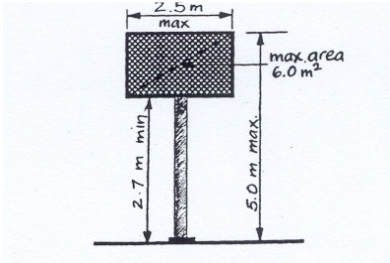
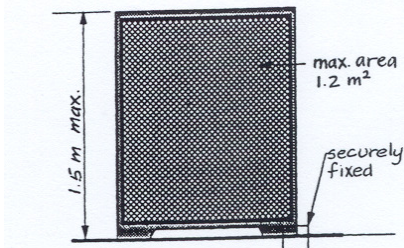
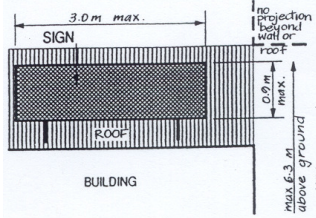
‘Roof sign’ means a sign erected on a roof or parapet of a building.

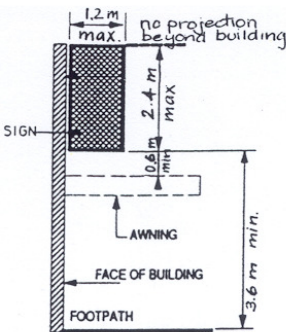
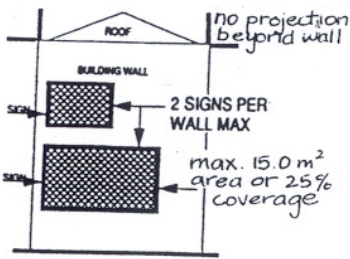
‘Vertical projecting wall sign’ means a sign attached to and projecting from the street façade of a building with the greater dimension being the projecting vertical distance.

**Table 23 – Design Standards for Signs**

Column 1 Criteria	Column 2 Diagram
For an above awning sign: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum height of 0.5 metre;</li> <li>○ maximum width of 0.3 metre;</li> <li>○ no projection beyond the width of the awning or greater than 2.4 metres in length, whichever is the shorter;</li> <li>○ minimum setback from the face of the awning fascia of 0.3 metre;</li> <li>○ not closer than 0.4 metre from any other above awning sign or horizontal</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>projecting wall sign; and</li> <li>attached to the side returns of the awning fascia.</li> </ul>	
<p>For an awning fascia sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>no projection above or below the fascia of the awning;</li> <li>maximum area of 20m<sup>2</sup> fascia area;</li> <li>maximum height of 0.6 metre;</li> <li>no projection within 0.45 metre of the vertical projection of the kerb; and</li> <li>minimum ground clearance of 2.4 metres.</li> </ul>	
<p>For a below awning sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>maximum height of 0.5 metre;</li> <li>maximum width of 0.3 metre;</li> <li>no projection beyond the width of the awning or greater than 2.5 metres in length, whichever is the shorter;</li> <li>no projection within 0.45 metre of the vertical projection of the kerb;</li> <li>not closer than 2.5 metres to any other below awning sign;</li> <li>minimum ground clearance of 2.4 metres; and</li> <li>nothing suspended from it.</li> </ul>	
<p>For a building fascia sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>no projection above or below the fascia of the building;</li> <li>not greater than two-thirds the depth of the fascia, or 0.95 metre, whichever is the lesser; and</li> <li>no projection more than 0.2 metre from the vertical face of the fascia.</li> </ul>	
<p>For a hanging sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>maximum depth of 0.8 metre;</li> <li>width between 0.4 metre and 0.8 metre;</li> <li>distance from the wall between 0.1 metre and 0.2 metre;</li> <li>height of bracket not greater than half the width of the sign;</li> <li>minimum ground clearance of 2.7 metres; and</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ not within 1.2 metres of side boundaries.</li> </ul> <p>For a horizontal projecting wall sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum depth of 0.5 metre;</li> <li>○ maximum length of 2.5 metres;</li> <li>○ no projection within 0.45 metre of the vertical projection of the kerb;</li> <li>○ uppermost surface of the sign a maximum of 3.0 metres above ground/footpath level; and</li> <li>○ minimum ground clearance of 2.4 metres.</li> </ul>	
<p>For a free-standing, pole or pylon sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum height of structure of 5.0 metres;</li> <li>○ minimum ground clearance of 2.7 metres;</li> <li>○ maximum area of each face as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 6m<sup>2</sup> in the Yeppoon Central, Business or Industry Zones, or</li> <li>▪ 2m<sup>2</sup> elsewhere;</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ maximum length of 2.5 metres;</li> <li>○ maximum width of 0.3 metre; and</li> <li>○ no movement or rotation;</li> </ul>	
<p>For a portable sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum area of 1.2m<sup>2</sup> per side;</li> <li>○ maximum height of 1.5 metres;</li> <li>○ not located on any road reserve, including footpaths and landscaped areas, or public right of way; and</li> <li>○ not visible from outside the site when the premises are not in use; and securely fixed (e.g., by chain to a pole or a ground anchor point).</li> </ul>	
<p>For a roof sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum length of 3.0 metres;</li> <li>○ maximum depth of 0.9 metre;</li> <li>○ maximum width of 0.3 metre;</li> <li>○ maximum height above ground level of 6.3 metres; and</li> <li>○ no projection beyond the walls or highest point of the roof.</li> </ul>	

Column 1 Criteria	Column 2 Diagram
<p>For a vertical projecting wall sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ maximum projection of 1.2 metres;</li> <li>○ maximum depth of 2.4 metres;</li> <li>○ minimum ground clearance of 3.6 metres;</li> <li>○ no projection above the eaves or the parapet of the façade;</li> <li>○ maximum width of 0.3 metre;</li> <li>○ minimum distance to side boundaries of 1.2 metres;</li> <li>○ minimum 0.6 metre above any awning roof measured from the bottom of the awning;</li> <li>○ no movement or rotation.</li> </ul>	
<p>wall sign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no more than two signs on any wall;</li> <li>○ no projection beyond the walls; and</li> <li>○ total maximum area of 15m<sup>2</sup> for all signs or 25% of the area of the wall, whichever is the lesser.</li> </ul>	

## 4.20 Clearing Code

### (1) Purpose

- (a) The purpose of the Clearing Code is the achievement of the overall outcomes sought for the control of clearing.
- (b) The overall outcomes sought are:
  - (i) The visual integrity of the natural landscape is not significantly impacted by indiscriminate and unnecessary clearing;
  - (ii) Ecological features and processes that underpin the biodiversity of the Shire are not disturbed by inappropriate clearing;
  - (iii) Vegetation in areas vulnerable to land degradation is not cleared, unless such clearing is required for the management of the degradation.

### (2) Elements

#### (a) Vegetation Management

Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions for Assessable Development; and Acceptable Solutions for Accepted Development with requirements
O1 Development protects the nature conservation values and water quality of watercourses, wetlands, lakes and springs from degradation.	S1 No solution is nominated.



Specific Outcomes	Probable Solutions for Assessable Development; and Acceptable Solutions for Accepted Development with requirements
<p>O2 Areas identified (refer to PSM 10A &amp; 10B – Locally Significant Vegetation) as containing locally significant vegetation are protected from development and its effects that may significantly reduce the values of the area in terms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) damage or removal of vegetation;</li> <li>(b) loss of biodiversity;</li> <li>(c) loss of canopy cover and habitat;</li> <li>(d) visual detraction.</li> </ul>	<p>S2 No solution is nominated.</p>
<p>O3 Viable networks of habitat are protected from damage or destruction which may lessen their value to sustain wildlife.</p>	<p>S3 No solution is nominated.</p>
<p>O4 Watercourses and adjacent habitat are protected in terms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) minimising erosion and slumping;</li> <li>(b) retaining vegetation to provide for the natural filtering of sediments, nutrients and other pollutants prior to discharge; and</li> <li>(c) adverse impacts on the aquatic habitat.</li> </ul>	<p>S4 No solution is nominated.</p>
<p>O5 Vegetation removal does not result in land degradation as a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) erosion, particularly top soils;</li> <li>(b) reduction in the fertility of the soil; or</li> <li>(c) changes in the water table which increase surface wetness or salinity.</li> </ul>	<p>S5 No solution is nominated.</p>
<p>O6 Land cleared to facilitate agriculture including forestry business or other intensive forms of agriculture is capable of sustainable use for such activities.</p>	<p>S6 No solution is nominated.</p>

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**The next two pages contain the following Planning Scheme Maps:**

**PSM 10 A - Locally Significant Vegetation (Balance of Shire)**

**PSM 11 B - Locally Significant Vegetation (Capricorn Coast)**

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