Division 2 - Rural Zone

3.2 Tables of Assessment Categories and Assessment Criteria

Table 3A - Material Change of Use

Column 1 Defined Purpose	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria			
(1) EXEMPT DEVELOPMENT:					
Borrow Pit	Exempt				
	All circumstances				
Local utility	Exempt				
	If on Council owned land				
Park	Exempt				
	All circumstances				
Road	Exempt				
	All circumstances				
(2) SELF-ASSESSABLE AND ASSESSABLE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE ZONE:					
(a) If for any of the	following defined purposes:				
Advertising device	Code assessable	Applicable Codes			
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code			
		Signs Code			

¹³ Development nominated as inconsistent development conflicts with and does not comply with an applicable code – refer section 1.5.

¹⁴ For code assessable development, self-assessment solutions provide a guide for achieving the relevant specific outcome – refer to section 1.4.

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Column 1 Defined Purpose	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria	
Agriculture	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances except if Code assessable	Rural Zone Code	
	Code assessable	and	
	If:	For Forestry Business:	
	(a) nominated as self-assessable, but unable to comply with the Self-assessment Solutions for the relevant elements of the applicable codes; or	▶ Forestry Business Code	
	(b) involving irrigation.		
Animal keeping	Code assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code	
		 Animal-related Activities Code 	
Annexed apartment	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances except if Code assessable	Rural Zone Code	
	Code assessable	Annexed Apartment Code	
	If nominated as self-assessable, but unable to comply with the Self-assessment Solutions for the relevant elements of the applicable codes		
Aquaculture	Code assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code	
		▶ Animal-related Activities Code	
Dwelling house	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances except if Code assessable	Rural Zone Code	
	Code assessable	If located in Area A on PSM 9	
	If nominated as self-assessable, but unable to comply with the Self-assessment Solutions for the relevant elements of the applicable codes	 Natural Features Code [Element (j) – Airport Affected Land special management area]. 	
Home-based business	Code assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code	
		▶ Home-based Business Code	
Host farm	Code assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code	
		▶ Short-Term Accommodation Code	
Intensive animal	Code assessable	Applicable Codes	
husbandry	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code	
		Animal-related Activities Code	
Local utility	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes	
	All circumstances except if specified as Exempt	Rural Zone Code	
	Code assessable		
	If nominated as self-assessable, but unable		

to comply with the Self-assessment Solutions for the relevant elements of the

applicable codes

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Column 1 Defined Purpose	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria		
Rural service industry	Code assessable	Applicable Codes		
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code		
Column 2 in (a	ose listed in (a) above, but not meeting the spec a) above for the nominated level of assessment, isted in (a) above or not defined in this planning	or		
All	Impact assessable			
	All circumstances			
(3) ASSESSABLE AREA:	DEVELOPMENT AFFECTED BY	A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT		
Agriculture	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes		
	If:	Rural Zone Code		
	 (a) self-assessable for all other circumstances listed in Column 2 of this table; and (b) on land identified in the Good 	all Special Management Area Codes applicable to the proposals because of its location in or adjacent to a		
	Quality Agricultural Land special management area ¹⁵ ; and	special management area; and		
	(c) not affected by another special management area.	For Forestry Business: • Forestry Business Code		
	Code assessable			
	Other than self-assessable			
All, except for	Self-assessable	Applicable Codes		
agriculture	If for all other circumstances listed in Column 2 of this table the proposal is self-assessable:	Rural Zone Code; andall Specific Use Codes or Issue Codes applicable to the		
	(a) located in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area ¹⁶ ; and	proposal under (2)(a) above, and all Special Management Area		
	(i) will not involve buildings or structures more than 9 metres in height; or	Codes applicable to the proposals because of its location in or adjacent to a		
	(ii) will not involve development above 50m AHD; or	special management area on Overlay Maps O1 to O8 or		
	(iii) will not involve development on a site with natural ground level slopes greater than 15%;	listed in Schedule 3.		
	or			
	(b) for a dwelling house in the Good Quality Agricultural Land special management areas;			

 $^{^{15}}$ Refer to Overlay Maps O4A and O4B 16 Refer to Overlay Maps O9



		SHIRE COUNCIL		
Column 1 Defined Purpose	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria		
All, except for	Code assessable	Applicable Codes		
agriculture (cont'd)	If:	For all circumstances:		
	(a) in any of the following special	Rural Zone Code; and		
	management areas on Overlay Map O1:	 all Specific Use Codes or Issue Codes applicable to the 		
	(i) Protected areas;	proposal under (2)(a) above		
	(ii) Water Supply Catchment; or	and		
	(iii) Extractive Resources.	For circumstances (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e):		
	(b) in a special management area on Overlay Maps O2, O3, O5 and O6.	 Natural Features Code - The applicable element(s) are those corresponding to the 		
	or	special management area(s) in		
	(c) in the Good Quality Agricultural Land special management area on Overlay Maps O4A and O4B and not for agriculture.	which the development is located.		
	or			
	(d) adjacent ¹⁷ to:			
	(i) an Extractive Resources special management area; or			
	(ii) a Protected Area special management area; or			
	(iii) a Waterway special management area; or			
	(iv) a Wetlands special management area,			
	on Overlay Maps O1 to O3.			
	or			
	(e) in the Acid Sulfate Soils special management area ¹⁸ :	For circumstance (e): Natural Features Code [Element		
	(i) located:	(c) – Acid Sulfate Soils special		
	 on identified known or potential acid sulfate soils; or 	management area]		
	at or below 5m AHD; or			
	below 20m AHD where construction will involve excavation below 5m AHD;			
	and			

 $^{^{17}}$ Refer to Schedule 1, Division 2 for the definition of "adjacent". 18 Refer to Overlay Maps O8A & O8B.



Column 2	Column 3
Assessment Category	Assessment Criteria
(ii) involving: • excavating or otherwise removing 100m³ or more of material; or • filling on land below 5m AHD involving 500m³ or more of material with an average depth of 0.5m or more. or (f) in or adjacent to a Heritage Places special management area 19. (g) If on land identified in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area on Overlay Map O9 and not self-assessable. (h) in the Farnborough Groundwater special management area and involving: (i) an on-site sewerage treatment facility; (ii) use or works using the groundwater resource for commercial gain 20; or (iii) animal related activities 21.	For circumstance (f): Cultural Features Code and For circumstance (g): Capricorn Coast Landscape Code. For circumstance (h): Natural Features Code [Element (m) – Water Supply Catchment and Farnborough Groundwater special management area].
	(ii) involving: • excavating or otherwise removing 100m³ or more of material; or • filling on land below 5m AHD involving 500m³ or more of material with an average depth of 0.5m or more. or (f) in or adjacent to a Heritage Places special management area 19. (g) If on land identified in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area on Overlay Map O9 and not self-assessable. (h) in the Farnborough Groundwater special management area and involving: (i) an on-site sewerage treatment facility; (ii) use or works using the groundwater resource for commercial gain 20; or

Table 3B - Development other than material change of use

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Column 1 Nature of Development	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria		
(1) BUILDING W	ORK NOT ASSOCIATED WITH MATEI	RIAL CHANGE OF USE:		
All	Code assessable If: (a) exceeding: (i) 10 metres in height in Area A on PSM 9 – Building Heights in the vicinity of Rockhampton Airport for the land on which the building work is proposed; or (ii) 12 metres other than in circumstance (i) above.	Applicable Codes For circumstance (a): Rural Zone Code Natural Features Code [Element (j) – Airport Affected Land special management area]		
	or			

Refer to Schedule 3 – Identified Cultural Features for a list of all Heritage Places special management areas
 Carrying out operational work for taking or interfering with water is assessable development under Schedule 8 to the IPA.
 Refer to Schedule 1, Division 1 (1)(a) for the meaning of animal related activities.



Column 1			Column 2	SHIRE GOINGIA
Nature of		As	sessment Category	Assessment Criteria
Development				
All (cont'd)	(b)	in or special involv		For circumstance (b): Cultural Features Code
		(i)	the construction of any new building or structure, or	
		(ii)	the demolition, removal or alteration of any existing building or structure;	
	or			
	(c)	Drain	ving filling or excavation in the age Problem special gement area ²³ involving:	For circumstance (c): Natural Features Code [Element (h) – Drainage
		(i)	vertical height ≥ 1 metre in relation to ground level, or	Problem special management area]
		(ii)	displacement of more than 50m ³ of material.	
	or			
	(d)	in the special involv		For circumstance (d): Capricorn Coast Landscape Code
		(i)	the construction of a building or structure:	334
			(A) more than 9 metres in height within 20 metres of the frontage to the Scenic Highway, Farnborough Road, Yeppoon Road or Emu Park Road; or	
			(B) more than 11 metres in height other than as located in (A) above;	
		(ii)	construction of a building or structure above 50m AHD; or	
		(iii)	construction of a retaining wall that exceeds 1.5 metres vertical height; or	
		(iv)	involving filling or excavation that results in batter slopes that:	
			have a vertical height greater than 3 metres; or	
			are steeper than 1 on 4.	
	or			

Refer to Schedule 3Refer to Overlay Map O2A & O2B





Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Nature of Development	Assessment Category	Assessment Criteria
All (cont'd)	(e) involving construction of a building or structure on a site with natural ground level slopes greater than 15%.	For circumstance (e): Natural Features Code [Element (e) – Steep Land special management area]
	(f) in the Acid Sulfate Soils special management area ²⁴ : (i) located: • on identified known or potential acid sulfate soils; or • at or below 5m AHD; or • below 20m AHD where construction will involve excavation below 5m AHD; and (ii) involving:	For circumstance (f): Natural Features Code [Element (c) – Acid sulfate soils special management area]
(2) OPERATION	 excavating or otherwise removing 100m³ or more of material; or filling on land below 5m AHD involving 500m³ or more of material with an average depth of 0.5m or more. AL WORK NOT ASSOCIATED WITH M	ATERIAL CHANGE OF USE:
Clearing ²⁵	Code assessable	Applicable Codes
	All circumstances	 ▶ Clearing Code If in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area: ▶ Capricorn Coast Landscape Code
Placement of an on- premises sign	Self-assessable All circumstances except if Code assessable Code assessable If nominated as self-assessable, but unable to comply with the Self-assessment Solutions for the Signs Code	Applicable Codes ▶ Signs Code

Refer to Overlay Maps O8A & O8B.
 Carrying out operational work that is the clearing of native vegetation on freehold land, indigenous land or on leasehold land used for agriculture (including grazing) may also be assessable development under Schedule 8 to the IPA





Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Nature of Development	Assessment Category	Assessment Criteria
Engineering work	Code assessable If:	Applicable Codes For all circumstances: Rural Zone Code
	(a) in or adjacent to a special management area on the Natural Features or Resources Overlays;	For circumstance (a): Natural Features Code The applicable element(s) are
	or	those corresponding to the special management area(s) in which the development is located.
	(b) in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area and involving filling or excavation that results in batter slopes that:	For circumstance (b): Capricorn Coast Landscape Code
	(i) have a vertical height greater than 3 metres; or	
	(ii) are steeper than 1 on 4;	
	(c) in connection with a	For circumstance (c):
	Telecommunications facility (medium impact)	Telecommunications Facility Code
	(d) in the Acid Sulfate Soils special management area ²⁶ :	For circumstance (d):
	(i) located:	Natural Features Code [Element (c) – Acid sulfate soils special
	 on identified known or potential acid sulfate soils; or 	management area]
	at or below 5m AHD; or	
	below 20m AHD where construction will involve excavation below 5m AHD;	
	and	
	(ii) involving:	
	excavating or otherwise removing 100m³ or more of material; or	
	 filling on land below 5m AHD involving 500m³ or more of material with an average depth of 0.5m or more. 	

²⁶ Refer to Overlay Maps O8A & O8B.

Column 1 Nature of Development	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Assessment Criteria			
(3) OPERATIONAL WORK ASSOCIATED WITH RECONFIGURING:					
All	Code assessable	Applicable Codes For all circumstances:			
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code			
		Clearing Code			
		Signs Code			
		If in a special management area identified on the Natural Features or Resources Overlay:			
		Natural Features Code – The applicable element(s) are those corresponding to the special management area(s) in which the development is located.			
		If in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area:			
		Capricorn Coast Landscape Code			
(4) RECONFIGU	RING A LOT:				
All	Code assessable	Applicable Codes			
	All circumstances	Rural Zone Code			
		If in a special management area identified on the Natural Features or Resources Overlay:			
		Natural Features Code – The applicable element(s) are those corresponding to the special management area(s) in which the development is located.			
		If in the Capricorn Coast Landscape special management area:			
		Capricorn Coast Landscape Code			
(5) OTHER:					
All	Exempt				
	All circumstances				

3.3 Rural Zone Code

(1) Purpose

(a) The purpose of the Rural Zone Code is the achievement of the overall outcomes sought for the Rural zone.

- (b) The overall outcomes sought for the Rural Zone are:
 - (i) Land used for rural activities such as grazing, agriculture and horticulture is protected from development, which in Council's opinion would significantly infringe on the landscape setting and rural amenity of the Shire;
 - (ii) Land with productive capacity is preserved for a range of existing and emerging agricultural activities significant to the economy of the Shire;
 - (iii) Large tracts of bushland identified as having significant environmental value are protected from development;
 - (iv) Agriculture, including both extensive and intensive activities is protected from land use conflicts resulting from the location of non-rural activities on rural land:
 - (v) Uses and works are located and designed to maximise the efficient use and extension and safe operation of infrastructure;
 - (vi) Residential purposes are ancillary to the primary rural purposes in the rural area; and
 - (vii) Mineral and extractive resources and transport routes associated with resources are protected from incompatible development.

(2) Elements

- (a) Land use and development
 - (i) Consistent uses

Specific Outcomes

- O1 (a) Only uses consistent with the overall outcomes for, and preferred for development within the Rural zone are established in the zone.
 - (b) The following uses and use classes are consistent with, and preferred within the Rural zone:
 - All Rural Purposes.
- O2 Provided the following uses are developed:
 - to be compatible with surrounding Rural Purposes by being of similar scale, intensity and character, and
 - to support preferred uses, and
 - to not adversely affect the amenity of the locality; or
 - to provide recreational or community facilities that are more appropriately located in the rural area;

they are consistent uses within the Rural zone:

- (a) Residential Purposes comprising:
 - (i) a single dwelling house per lot,
 - (ii) Home-based business,
 - (iii) Host farm
- (b) Arts and craft centre,
- (c) Extractive industry,
- (d) Garden centre,
- (e) Landscape supplies,
- (f) Local utility,
- (g) Major utility,
- (h) Outdoor recreation, and
- (i) Telecommunications facility (medium impact)

(ii) Inconsistent uses

Specific Outcomes

- O3 Uses other than:
 - preferred uses nominated in O1, or
 - consistent uses developed to comply with the provisions set out in O2;

do not establish in the Rural Zone, do not comply with the overall outcomes sought for the Rural Zone and conflict with this code.

(iii) Subdivision design

Specific Outcomes O4 Reconfigured lots are designed and developed with: Self-assessment Solutions O4 Reconfigured lots are designed and developed with: Sufficient area and suitable proportions for preferred or consistent uses; Self-assessment Solutions Other than reconfiguring for a Community Titles Scheme, lots are developed with areas that comply with the minimum areas set out in Table S1 below.

- adequate frontage for safe and convenient vehicular and pedestrian access:
- suitable areas within each lot for the location of relevant activities and works,

and:

- do not expose people and works to unacceptable risks from flooding or other hazards.
- (b) For reconfiguring involving a Community Titles Scheme:
 - (ii) the number of lots on the Standard Format Plan comprising the Community Titles Scheme does not exceed the number of lots complying with the design standards set out in Table S1 below; unless,
 - (iii) the number of lots on the Standard Format Plan accords with the density of development given by a prior related Development Permit for Material Change of Use.

Table S1 – Minimum Area for Subdivision in the Rural Zone

Agricultural Land Classification ²⁷	Minimum Area (ha)
CAPRICORN COAST:	
Classes A1, A2 C1, C2	10 ha
Class C3	40 ha
Other Subject to meeting soutcomes	
BALANCE OF SHIRE:	
Class A1	60 ha
Class A2	30 ha
Classes C1, C2, C3, Other	150 ha

Commencement date: originally 17 October, 2005

²⁷ Refer to planning scheme map PSM 2A & 2B for the distribution of the various agricultural land classes. Capricorn Coast is the area inside the blue line on Planning Scheme Maps PSM 2A and 2B.

Specific Outcomes



(iv) Character and Amenity

- Uses and works are located, designed and operated to minimise adverse impacts on:
 - existing environmental conditions relating to air, water and soil,
 - the amenity of adjacent properties and public
 - visual quality of landscapes in terms of:
 - reducing ribbon development and sprawl,
 - loss of green break separations,
 - obstructing significant local and distant views of prominent natural features and landmarks, and
 - the health and safety of people using the premises and adjacent premises.

- Uses are buffered from adjacent non-(a) rural activities as specified as the Acceptable Solutions nominated in the
 - Queensland Government's Planning Guidelines²⁸ for Separating Agricultural and Residential Land Uses for Elements relating to:
 - agricultural chemical spray drift, (i)
 - (ii) odour.

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- (iii) noise.
- (iv) dust, smoke and ash,
- sediment and storm-water run-off. (v)
- (b) Storage, handling, packaging, processing areas, permanent plant and equipment storage/operation and on-site effluent treatment and disposal areas are located at least the following distance from the nearest sensitive receptor (being land in Residential, Village or Park Residential Zones:
 - Rural service industry:
 - 300 metres
 - (ii) Otherwise:
 - 100 metres.
- (c) Any buildings, structures or permanent plant storage/operation not otherwise subject to setback provisions in (b) above or in a Specific Use Code are located at least the following setbacks from any side or rear boundary:
 - 30 metres to a dwelling unit on an adjacent site including a 3 metres wide densely planted landscaped strip to screen car parking or activity areas from the dwelling unit,
 - (ii) 15metres, otherwise.

²⁸ Department of Natural Resources, August 1997, Planning Guidelines: Separating Agricultural and Residential Land Uses, Queensland Government, Brisbane.

				LIVINGSTONE SHARE ACCOUNTS	
Specific Outcomes		Self-assessment Solutions			
O6	 Buildings and structures are: of a type and scale which have an attractive, functional appearance; constructed of materials and finishes compatible with other development in the area; integrated with the physical attributes of the site, including appropriate provision for access to natural light and ventilation, privacy, noise attenuation, drainage, landscaping, outlook and off-street parking; and designed to adequately screen materials stored outside buildings when viewed from adjacent premises and public spaces. 	\$6	(a) (b)	Height (i) Buildings and structures, other than farm sheds or other farm structures, do not exceed: - 10 metres if located in Area A on PSM 9; or - 12 metres otherwise. Setbacks (i) Buildings and structures are setback: - 50 metres from a State-controlled road, - 20 metres from all other roads, and - 6 metres from the boundary of any land included in the Park Residential, Residential or Village Zone that abuts the site.	
07	For a noise sensitive place, activities are laid out and buildings are designed and constructed to mitigate to a level, that does not unreasonably adversely affect the health and safety of people using premises, the effects of noise from: • Traffic on major roads (including State controlled roads); or • Operations within railway corridors.	S7	(a) (b)	For a State controlled road: (i) Windows facing the road are double glazed; and (ii) Buildings used for residential purposes are laid out with: - bedrooms and living rooms located on the opposite side to the road; and - kitchens, bathrooms, garages, and rooms for recreation, laundry, utility, storage or the like are on the same side as the road to assist with buffering noise to living and sleeping areas. For a State controlled railway corridor: (i) Building are designed and constructed to reduce the effects of noise by: - locating living and bedroom area on the opposite side to the rail corridor; or - locating activity areas in non-residential noise sensitive places on the opposite side to the rail corridor; and - insulating walls and rooves with sound dampening material; - double-glazing transparent openings on the same side as the rail corridor and installing complimentary	

Specific Outcomes

Self-assessment Solutions

- mechanical ventilation systems; and
- eliminating openings on the same side as the rail corridor; and
- (ii) Noise attenuation barriers/devices including planted earth mounds (minimum 1.5 metres high) and solid fencing (minimum 1.8 metres high) are incorporated parallel to and within 6 metres the rail corridor for its full length.

(v) Cultural Heritage Values

Specific Outcomes

O8 Cultural heritage values associated with the landscape features of a site and its surroundings or relics of past activities found during development of the site are respected and are not subjected to changes that would significantly reduce the capacity to appreciate those areas, places and sites, their character or the memories or history they represent, in terms of visual detraction, public accessibility or physical change, damage or removal.

(vi) Flood Immunity²⁹

Specific Outcomes

Self-assessable Solutions

- O9 Development is immune to flood events which result in unacceptable risk to health and safety or unacceptable risk of property damage.
- Land on which buildings and structures associated with development nominated in Column 1 of Schedule 7 will be constructed has immunity from a flood event of at least the annual exceedence probability specified in Column 2 of Schedule 7 for the development.

(vii) Vehicle parking and movement

Specific Outcomes

Self-assessment Solutions

- O10 Development is provided with an on-site parking and movement system designed and constructed to:
 - **b** be integrated with the site layout including:
 - direct access to a road providing a level of service required to accommodate traffic generated by the use; and
 - appropriately designed footpath crossovers; and
 - provision for safe pedestrian movement between public footpath and facility entry points; and

- (a) Parking is provided on-site:
 - (i) at the rate nominated in Division 1 of Schedule 2 of this planning scheme; and
 - (ii) laid out, constructed and maintained in accordance with the standards nominated in Division 2 of Schedule 2 of this planning scheme.
- (c) Loading/unloading facilities are laid out, constructed and maintained in accordance with the standards nominated in Division 2 of Schedule 2 of this planning scheme.

Commencement date: originally 17 October, 2005

²⁹ The flood immunity parameters listed in Schedule 7 include consideration of storm tide hazard

Specific Outcomes		Self-assessment Solutions		
•	accommodate all modes of transport (including motor vehicles and bicycles) generated by the use; and	(d)	Vehicle queuing and set-down/pick-up areas are laid out, constructed and maintained in accordance with the	
•	facilitate non-discriminatory accessibility; and		standards nominated in Division 2 of Schedule 2 of this planning scheme.	
•	provide for safe and efficient loading and unloading of goods; and	(e)	Vehicular access is designed and constructed in accordance with the standards nominated in Division 2 of	
•	allow for vehicle queuing necessary for the use; and		Schedule 4 of this planning scheme.	
•	provide for passenger set down/pick up necessary for the use; and			
•	facilitate public access to the foreshore and riparian open space networks.			

(b) Infrastructure

Specific Outcomes		Self-assessment Solutions	
an ap	Vater supply, sewerage, drainage, roads, power and communications are provided to meet the oppopriate standards of service and construction least whole-of-life cost, which: comprise components and materials that are: readily accessible and available; and robust and reliable in terms of operational life and purpose; and easily maintained without unnecessarily requiring specialist expertise or equipment; and are integrated with the design, construction and operation of existing systems and facilitate orderly provision of future systems.	S11	Water supply, sewerage, drainage, roads, power and communications are: (a) provided to meet the standard of service nominated in Division 1, Schedule 4 of this planning scheme, and (b) constructed in accordance with standards nominated in Division 2, Schedule 4 of this planning scheme.

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