

Document Inspection & Copyright Information



The Development Regulations 2008 draw a distinction between documents that can be inspected by the public (without charge) and those that can be copied.

Documents that can be inspected by the public (without charge)

All Development Application Forms and copies of Decision Notification Forms can be viewed at Council's Civic Centre, 163 St Vincent Street, Port Adelaide SA 5011, during the office hours between 8.30 am to 5.00 pm.

Documents provided to Council by a private certifier in relation to any application for a development plan consent assessed by the private certifier.

All technical details, particulars, plans, drawings, specifications and other documents or information relating to building work.

All certificates, opinions and other documents submitted to the Council in connection with an application for approval of building work.

The duplicate of any certificate of occupancy issued by, or provided to, the Council.

A copy of any schedule of essential safety provisions issued by, or provided to, the Council.

A copy of any certificate submitted to the council under Regulation 76 during the preceding 6 years.

A copy of any other plan submitted to the Council under the regulations.

Note

A Council Officer may be present during the viewing process.

Council is not required to make materials available for inspection if to do so would:

- in the opinion of the Council, unreasonably jeopardise the present or future security of a building; or
- constitute a breach of any other law.

Documents that can be copied (charges apply)

Council must adhere to the Copyright Act 1968. Pursuant to this Act, drawings, plans, engineering reports and other materials may have copyright protection vesting in their author. Permission must be obtained from that person before copies can be taken. The permission must be in writing. The Development Act 1993 and Regulations outline the documents that can be viewed or copied by the general public.

Other than in the above circumstances, copies of plans and documents are generally not provided by Council where copyright may be an issue.

Subject to the above copyright requirement, documents that can be viewed by the public can also be copied (on payment of Council's fee), provided the copying would not:

- in the opinion of the Council, unreasonably jeopardise the present or future security of a building;
- involve an infringement of copyright in matter contained in a document; or
- constitute a breach of any other law.

Further Information

For further information in relation to this document or any associated matter, please contact Council on 8405 6600.