

## Kerb and Footpath Bonds

### What is a Kerb and Footpath Bond?

**This bond helps maintain the quality of public infrastructure and ensures that construction work does not result in damage to the surrounding kerb and footpath areas.**

### Overview:

When applying for a Building Permit for a new dwelling, a **Kerb and Footpath Bond** of **\$2,388** is required by the Shire to ensure that any damage to the kerb and footpath caused during the construction process is addressed. Below is an overview of the process for the Kerb and Footpath Bond:

#### 1. Bond Requirement:

- An amount of \$2,388 is to be charged on each building/demolition licence issued for a dwelling or commercial building, or substantial extensions to such buildings over the value of \$20,000 as a kerb deposit/footpath bond in such areas where a footpath or kerb is provided.

#### 2. Prebuild Kerb Inspection:

- Prior to the commencement of construction, a Prebuild Kerb Inspection will be carried out.
- A report detailing the current condition of the kerb and footpath will be generated during this inspection.
- A copy of the inspection report will be sent to the applicant for their reference.

#### 3. Completion of the Build:

- Upon the completion of construction, the applicant must submit a BA7 – Notice of Completion form to notify the Shire that the building is finished.

#### 4. Bond Reimbursement Form:

- After submitting the BA7 form, the applicant will be required to fill out a Bond Refund Request Form to initiate the process of returning the bond.

#### 5. Post-Build Inspection:

- A Post-Build Kerb and Footpath Inspection will be conducted to assess whether any damage has occurred during construction.
- The condition of the kerb and footpath will be compared to the prebuild inspection report to identify any potential damage.

## 6. Refund:

- If no damage is identified during the post-build inspection, the full \$2,388 bond will be refunded to the applicant.
- If damage is found, either the full or a portion of the bond will be retained by the Shire.
- The retained bond amount will be used for the repair of the kerb and/or footpath, based on an estimate of the cost of reinstating the damaged areas.

## Important Notes:

- The Kerb and Footpath Bond ensures that construction does not cause lasting damage to public infrastructure, and it helps to cover repair costs if any damage is found.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that no damage occurs during the construction process to avoid bond deductions.
- The amount retained by the Shire for repairs will be based on the estimate of the cost of reinstating the kerb and/or footpath.

For further details or questions, please contact the Shire's Building Department.

# Information Sheet