

Murrindindi Shire Council

Filming and Photography in the Murrindindi Shire



INTRODUCTION

The Murrindindi Shire is a film-friendly location while balancing the local amenity of residents and businesses.

The information on this page relates to commercial filming, including television, feature films, advertising and television commercials, documentaries and music videos.

All commercial filming activities are required to apply for a permit for the use of a public space. This ensures the activity is in accordance with the regulations of this council/department.

FILMING PERMITS

Some commercial filming activities trigger the need to apply for a permit for the use of a public space. This ensures the activity is in accordance with our regulations.

We endeavour to keep red tape to a minimum and encourage you to speak to a member of the Development Services Department in the first instance. We will be your point of contact and assist you to identify any other permission/permits required from other land managers and/or statutory authorities.

Applications, if required, should be lodged at the earliest opportunity. We will respond to your application within five business days of receiving it. Please note that if we need to make complex arrangements for your filming activity it may take us more than five days to issue a permit.

To apply for a permit, please the officer listed below.

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DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?/ LOW IMPACT FILMING

Most people conducting commercial filming must apply for a permit to use public space. However, if your filming activities are minor and 'low impact' (see below), you won't need to fill out the application for a permit — but you'll still need to obtain our permission for low impact filming by contacting us on lwallace@murrindindi.vic.gov.au or phone 03 5772 0318.

To approve a low impact filming activity, we'll require proof of your current public liability insurance, with a minimum of two weeks' notice.

Low impact filming activities are defined by these criteria:

- a filming activity of six people or less (includes all production crew and talent)
- no more than one camera, one tripod, and handheld sound recording equipment
- public safety is maintained at all times and all public pathways, footpaths and roads must not be blocked
- no exclusive use of public space required
- filming content and messaging do not undermine our core values and the sustainability of our destination

OTHER RESOURCES AND RELATED FORMS

- Victorian Film Friendly Guidelines
- Film Victoria Website <http://film.vic.gov.au/>