

Course Content

Session 1. About the Law

- Legislation, regulations, statutory rules
- Criminal and civil law; statutory and common law
- How offences are created; how penalties are set
- The Local Government Act and Local Laws
- Authorised Officers, their powers of enforcement
- The Summary Offences Act and the Crimes Act
- When to hand over to the Police
- Discussion: when should an enforcement officer exercise discretion?

Session 2. About Public Land and Roads

- What the law regards as 'Public Land' and what legislation governs it
- Offences relating to parks and reserves
- Offences relating to 'Public Places'
- Types of road under Victorian law – arterial roads, unused roads, municipal roads
- Road authorities, the extent of their jurisdictions
- The Road Safety Act and the Road Rules – including controls over parking and traffic
- The Road Management Act – offences relating to driveways, and works on roads
- Encroachments, vegetation, littering; domestic animals; wandering stock
- Discussion: private disputes – a Council's role?

Session 3. About Prosecutions

- Authorised officers under various Acts
- Parking tickets and Infringement Notices
- Gathering evidence; Issuing Summonses
- Prosecutions at the Magistrates' Court
- Enforcement orders, warrants, the Sheriff
- How to find precedents and case-law
- When to go to the lawyers
- Discussion: education rather than prosecution?

OFFENCES AND ENFORCEMENT ON PUBLIC LAND

A three-session Training Course for Officers in Councils and Land Management Authorities



When are these behaviours offences? When are they not?

- Digging up a road
- Letting the dog off the lead
- Parking on the nature strip
- Cutting native vegetation
- Planting a vegetable garden
- Selling coffee on the footpath
- Burning off the long grass
- Being intoxicated
- Littering (and how about aggravated littering?)
- Protesting against logging
- Hooning around on a trail bike

Cost

Cost - \$550 per participant including GST, course notes and certificate of attendance

Our Presenter

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Enquiries and Registrations

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