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### ACTIVITY CENTRE ZONE

Shown on the planning scheme map as **ACZ** with a number.

#### Purpose

To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

To encourage a mixture of uses and the intensive development of the activity centre:

- As a focus for business, shopping, working, housing, leisure, transport and community facilities.
- To support sustainable urban outcomes that maximise the use of infrastructure and public transport.

To deliver a diversity of housing at higher densities to make optimum use of the facilities and services.

To create through good urban design an attractive, pleasant, walkable, safe and stimulating environment.

To facilitate use and development of land in accordance with the Development Framework for the activity centre.

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### Operation

A schedule to this zone comprises the Development Framework for the activity centre.

A schedule to this zone must contain:

- A framework plan for the activity centre.
- A statement of the activity centre land use and development objectives to be achieved.

A schedule to this zone may contain:

- Centre-wide provisions.
- Precinct provisions.

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### Table of uses

#### Section 1 - Permit not required

USE	CONDITION
Any use in Section 1 of the schedule to this zone	Must comply with any condition in Section 1 of the schedule to this zone.

#### Section 2 - Permit required

USE	CONDITION
Any use in Section 2 of the schedule to this zone	Must comply with any condition in Section 2 of the schedule to this zone.

#### Section 3 - Prohibited

USE
Any use in Section 3 of the schedule to this zone

### **37.08-3 Use of land**

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Any requirement in the schedule to this zone must be met.

### **37.08-4 Subdivision**

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A permit is required to subdivide land.

Any requirement in the schedule to this zone must be met.

### **37.08-5 Buildings and works**

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A permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works unless the schedule to this zone specifies otherwise.

### **37.08-6 Design and development**

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A schedule to this zone may include requirements relating to:

- Building setbacks.
- Building height.
- Building materials.
- Access.
- Landscaping.
- Public realm.
- Any other requirements or guidelines relating to the design or built form of new development.

A permit may be granted to construct a building or construct or carry out works which is not in accordance with any design and development requirement in the schedule to this zone unless the schedule to this zone specifies otherwise.

### **37.08-7 Application requirements**

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#### **Use**

An application to use land must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- A description of the proposed use and the types of activities which will be carried out and any proposed staging of use and activities on the land.
- Plans drawn to scale and dimensioned which show:
  - The siting and use of buildings.
  - Areas not required for immediate use.
  - Adjacent buildings and uses.
- The likely effects, if any, on adjoining land, including noise levels, traffic, the hours of delivery and despatch of goods and materials, hours of operation and light spill, solar access, glare, air-borne emissions and emissions to land and water.
- If an industry or warehouse:
  - The type and quantity of goods to be stored, processed or produced.
  - Whether a Works Approval or Waste Discharge Licence is required from the Environment Protection Authority.
  - Whether a notification under the Occupational Health and Safety (Major Hazard Facilities) Regulations 2000 is required, a licence under the Dangerous Goods Act

1995 is required, or a fire protection quantity under the Dangerous Goods (Storage and Handling) Regulations 2000 is exceeded.

- Any other information specified in the schedule to this zone.

### **Subdivision**

An application to subdivide land must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- Plans drawn to scale and dimensioned which show:
  - Site shape, size, dimensions and orientation.
  - The pattern of subdivision of the surrounding area.
  - Easements.
  - Location of drainage and other utilities.
  - Street frontage features such as poles, street trees and kerb crossings.
  - Access points.
  - Any natural features.
- Any other information specified in the schedule to this zone.

### **Buildings and works**

An application to construct a building or construct or carry out works must be accompanied by the following information, as appropriate:

- Plans drawn to scale and dimensioned which show:
  - The boundaries and dimensions of the site.
  - Adjoining roads.
  - The location, height and use of buildings and works on adjoining land.
  - Levels of the site and the difference in levels between the site and surrounding properties to a defined point at the site boundaries or to Australian Height Datum (AHD).
  - Any contaminated soils and filled areas, where known.
  - The layout of existing and proposed buildings and works.
  - The internal layout and use of the proposed development.
  - All access and pedestrian areas.
  - All driveway, car parking and loading areas.
  - Existing vegetation and proposed landscape areas.
  - All external storage and waste treatment areas.
  - The location of easements and services.
- Elevation plans drawn to scale and dimensioned which show:
  - The building form and scale.
  - Setbacks to property boundaries.
  - Finished floor levels and building heights to a defined point at the site boundaries or to Australian Height Datum (AHD).
- Shadow diagrams based on the equinox shown for existing conditions and the proposed development.
- A schedule of finishes for the proposed development detailing materials and colours of external surfaces including walls, roofs and fences.
- A written statement providing an assessment of the proposal against the relevant sections of the State and Local Planning Policy Frameworks, Activity Centre Zone and any relevant overlays.

- An assessment of the characteristics of the area including:
  - Any environmental features such as vegetation, topography and significant views.
  - Street design and landscape.
  - The pattern of development.
  - Building form, scale and rhythm.
  - Architectural style, building details and materials.
  - Connection to the public realm.
  - Any significant noise, odour, fume and vibration sources to and/or from the development.
- A landscape plan which includes the description of vegetation to be planted, the surfaces to be constructed, site works specification and method of preparing, draining, watering and maintaining the landscape area.
- Construction details of all drainage works, driveways, vehicle parking and loading areas.
- An application for a residential development of four or more storeys must include an urban context report and design response as required in Clause 52.35.
- Any other information specified in the schedule to this zone.

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#### **Exemption from notice and review**

An application under Clauses 37.08-2, 37.08-4, 37.08-5 or 37.08-6 is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act unless the schedule to this zone specifies otherwise.

A schedule to this zone may specify an application in respect of land in an Activity Centre Zone under any other specified provision of this scheme is exempt from the notice requirements of Section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of Section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of Section 82(1) of the Act.

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#### **Decision guidelines**

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

##### **General**

- The State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.
- The development framework plan set out in the schedule to this zone.
- The land use and development objectives set out in the schedule to this zone.
- The Activity Centre Design Guidelines (Department of Sustainability and Environment 2005).
- The Safer Design Guidelines for Victoria (Crime Prevention Victoria and Department of Sustainability and Environment 2005).
- The extent that the layout and design of the new use or development minimises the potential for off-site impacts, including from noise, fumes, odour or vibrations, ensuring that:
  - existing uses are not compromised by a new development, or
  - a new development is designed to address amenity impacts from existing uses.
- Any requirements set out in the schedule to this zone.
- Any other decision guidelines specified in the schedule to this zone.

## Access

- Movements systems through and around the site including the movement of pedestrians and cyclists, and vehicles providing for supplies, waste removal, emergency services and public transport.
- The provision of car parking, loading of vehicles and access to parking spaces and loading bays.

## Use

- The interim use of those parts of the land not required for the proposed use.
- Whether the use is compatible with adjoining and nearby land uses.

## Subdivision

- The pattern of subdivision and its effect on the spacing of buildings.
- For subdivision of land for residential development, the objectives and standards of Clause 56.

## Design and built form

- The design, scale, height, setback, appearance and material of the proposed buildings and works.
- The provision for solar access to the building and on the public realm.
- The design of the public realm.
- The relationship between the proposed building and the public realm.
- The streetscape, including the conservation of buildings, the design of verandas, access from the street front, provision of active frontages to pedestrian areas, the treatment of the fronts and backs of buildings and their appurtenances, illumination of buildings or their immediate spaces and the landscaping of land adjoining a road.
- The interface with adjoining zones, especially the relationship with residential zones.
- For a residential development of three storeys or less, excluding a basement, the objectives, standards and decision guidelines of Clause 54 and Clause 55.
- For a residential development of four or more storeys, excluding a basement, the Design Guidelines for Higher Density Residential Development (Department of Sustainability and Environment 2004).
- The storage of rubbish and materials for recycling.

### 37.08-10 Advertising signs

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Advertising sign requirements are at Clause 52.05. This zone is in Category 1 unless a schedule to this zone specifies a different category.

### 37.08-11 Other provisions of the scheme

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The schedule to this zone may specify that other provisions of the scheme do not apply.

*Notes:* Refer to the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement, for strategies and policies which may affect the use and development of land.

*Check whether an overlay also applies to the land.*

*Other requirements may also apply. These can be found at Particular Provisions.*