

Chainsaw Use



The inappropriate use of chainsaws has the potential to cause an Environmental Nuisance. The state government has put in place regulations to ensure they are used appropriately and to control or reduce noise nuisance. If you intend using a chainsaw you are required to do so within these legal requirements.

Under the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act (1994)* (the Act) and its Regulations, The *Environmental Management and Pollution Control (Miscellaneous Noise) Regulations 2004* the following applies to the operation of petrol driven chainsaws.

A person on residential premises **must not** operate a chainsaw powered by an internal combustion engine within 300 metres of other residential premises **unless** –

- The chainsaw is operated for the purpose of domestic garden maintenance on **only one day in any 7 consecutive days** and at a time within any of the following periods:

Monday to Friday	7.00am until 6.00pm
Saturday	9.00am until 6.00pm
Sunday and All Statutory Public Holidays	10.00am until 6.00pm OR

- The operation of the chainsaw is approved (in writing by the Director of Environmental Management) **OR**
- The chainsaw is operated by or with the consent of the Occupier of the other (neighbouring) residential premises (ie those premises less than 300 metres from where the chainsaw is intended to be used) **OR**
- The Occupier of the other residential premises owns the residential premises on which the Chainsaw is being operated.

For Further Information

Please contact Council during business hours Monday to Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm on **03 6376 7900**

The complete Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994 and Environmental Management and Pollution Control (Miscellaneous Noise) Regulations 2004 may be viewed online at <http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/index.w3p>