

CONTIGUOUS LAND (ADJOINING LAND)



What is Contiguous Land (Adjoining Land)?

Contiguous land (adjoining land) are parcels of land which abut (touch) one another or are separated only by certain types of public land.

Under section 149 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, for the purposes of rating, land will be considered contiguous where:

- the owner or occupier of all the land concerned is the same;
- all the land is used for the same purpose as defined by the Valuer-General.

Pieces of land will be taken to be contiguous if they abut (touch) one another at any point or if they are separated only by:

- a street, road, lane, footway, court, railway, thoroughfare or travelling stock route; or
- a reserve or other similar open space dedicated for public purposes.

What is the benefit of Contiguous Land (Adjoining Land)?

Rates are made up of both a fixed charge component and a variable charge.

If two or more pieces of your rateable land are contiguous, you may be eligible for a reduction in the fixed charge component of your annual rates, meaning you only pay one fixed charge across all applicable properties.

You will still be required to pay the variable charge for each piece of rateable land.

How do I notify Council?

If you think you are only required to pay one fixed charge on two or more pieces of contiguous rateable land you should contact City of Playford on:

Phone: 8254 4644
Email: ratesassist@playford.sa.gov.au