



RURAL ADDRESSING

This information is too unsure the correct street addressing and the clear identification of all rural and semi-rural properties within the City of Greater Geraldton. It is also to allocate rural street addresses that are unique, clear, logical and unambiguous. In addition to this, it also outlines the process and procedures of numbering and renumbering rural and semi-rural properties within its municipality.

WHAT IS RURAL STREET ADDRESSING?

Rural Street Addressing is an initiative of Landgate, supported by the City of Greater Geraldton (formerly the Shire of Greenough and the Shire of Mullewa) and other Local Government Authorities. The initiative involves supplying a rural address plate with large reflective numbers (please refer to CIPA003 for more information) to owners of rural properties, where that property has a “habitable dwelling” (house, shearing shed, workshop, shed, gallery etc.).

The use of RSA plate is a logically established method of numbering a property containing one or more habitable dwellings, based on distance from the start of a road, usually an intersection with another road. The main aim of RSA plates is to allow emergency service personnel to quickly identify the (relevant) entrance your property. Other benefits may include delivery of mail and making your property easier for other parties to find (veterinarians, stock officers, businesses, family and friends).

LOCATION OF RURAL STREET ADDRESS PLATE

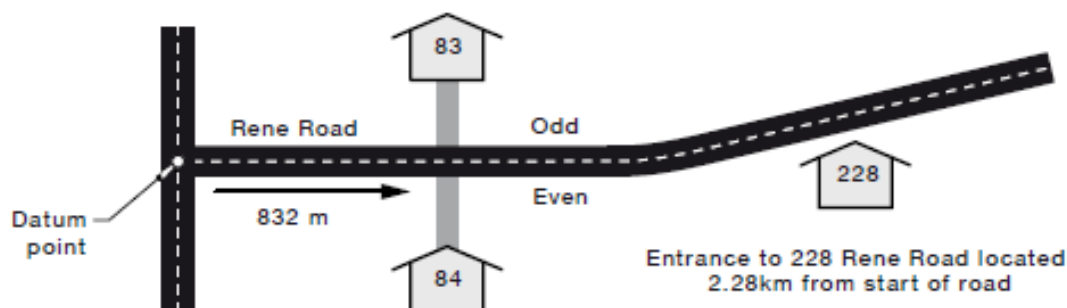
The RSA plate(s) must be mounted at the beginning of relevant driveway(s) that terminate in the habitable dwelling. The plate can be mounted on a star picket, strainer box post, or any other fixture, as long as the RSA number can be clearly seen from the road in either direction. RSA plates for property entrances at the very end of road can be mounted to face the road.

ALLOCATION OF NUMBERS

Allocation of rural address numbers is carried out in a logical sequence and in accordance with set rules. The number is based on a distance from a starting point, usually a road intersection to the property entrance, with odd numbers on the left-hand side and even numbers on the right-hand side.

The number is equal to the number of metres along the road the property is located and divided by ten. This simply means that if your property is 3270 metres (3.27 km) from the beginning of the road then your rural street address number will be 327.

And this number indicates that it is odd, so the property is on the left-hand side. If you have separate entrances to different buildings on your property then all/each of them require a rural street address. This is so if an ambulance is looking for an injured person on your property it is most beneficial if the address provided actually matches the entrance of the accident scene.



Example of how to allocate Rural Street Addresses

NOTIFICATION

When a Rural Street Address is allocated, the City of Greater Geraldton will immediately notify Landgate. Landgate will include the new address in the State of Western Australia's Address database. The following agencies and organisations will also be notified by the City of Greater Geraldton:

- Alinta Energy
- Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)
- AddressPOST
- Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)
- Landgate
- Police (Geraldton District Office)
- Synergy
- Telstra (County Wide & Cadastre Updates)
- Water Corporation
- Western Australian Electoral Commission (WAEC)
- Western Power

All costs associated with the allocation of the Rural Street Address remains the responsibility of the property owner. This includes the replacement and/or relocations of letterboxes, cost of new numbers etc. and notification to other Government agencies, business contacts, friends and acquaintances etc., as well as alterations to business and personal stationary.

WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE AN ADDRESS?

If you are uncertain of Rural Street Address or have not been allocated one, you should contact the City of Greater Geraldton. The RSA Plate should be displayed at all times, even when the rural address is not being use for postal services.

If you have a rural or semi-rural property and you require a number, please assist Council officers by being able to accurately describe the location of your entrance point (e.g. number of metres along your property frontage to the driveway), plus which lot the habitable dwelling is located on).

If you move the location of your entrance point, this could affect your rural street address, particularly in very large properties. If you believe your address is now incorrect, please contact the City of Greater Geraldton.