Keeping our community graffiti free

What is graffiti?

Graffiti is 'The writing, drawing, marking, scratching or other defacement of another person's property without their consent, so that it is not easily removed'.

Graffiti can get you up to two years imprisonment and a penalty over **$37,000**. Possessing a graffiti implement with the intention of marking graffiti can lead to a penalty over **$3,800.**

Graffiti can have a negative impact on a community and often lead to poor perceptions of personal safety and the neighbourhood.

A collaborative approach between the community, Council, Victoria Police and other key partners is known to be an effective way of ensuring environments in which we live, work and play remain clean and safe.

Report Graffiti

Council is committed to keeping our community clean and safe.

To report graffiti in progress call **000**

To report graffiti visit greaterdandenong.com/graffiti

Another easy way to report graffiti is to use SnapSendSolve. Visit snapsendsolve.com or download the app.

Snap Send Solve

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How can I help remove graffiti?

√ **Rapid graffiti removal:** When graffiti is removed within 24 hours of appearing, it reduces the likelihood of further vandalism.

√ **Organise your own clean up:** Get together with other residents or businesses in your local area and carry out your own graffiti clean up day.

√ **Help out a neighbour:** Talk to your neighbours and offer or ask for assistance in removing graffiti from either of your properties.

Tips

» Report any graffiti vandalism on your property to Victoria Police immediately.

» Remove graffiti within 24 hours.

» Keep your property tidy and maintained.

» Apply anti-graffiti coating to protect target areas.

» Increase lighting around target areas.

» Show pride in your area and join in with Community Clean Up days.

How can Council help?

√ **Free Graffiti removal kits:** Residents and businesses can collect free removal kits from Council and are subject to availability.

√ **One FREE removal:** If removal of graffiti does not require access to private property and is viewable by the public, Council can arrange for one free graffiti removal.

√ **Portable graffiti removal system:** Council can provide community groups, businesses and residents free use of a portable graffiti removal system (PRS) for one-off clean up or community days.

√ **Community Clean Up Days:** Council organises an annual Community Clean Up Day each year and all community members and businesses are invited to participate.

How to remove graffiti off non-painted surfaces

√ **Step 1:**
Read Safety Sheet

√ **Step 2:**
Put on goggles, mask and gloves

√ **Step 3:**
Apply water to surface and wipe off

√ **Step 4:**
Apply graffiti remover

√ **Step 5:**
Scrub area lightly

√ **Step 6:**
Apply water, wipe off and repeat if needed

How to remove graffiti off painted and sensitive surfaces

√ **Step 1:**
Read Safety Sheet

√ **Step 2:**
Put on goggles, mask and gloves

√ **Step 3:**
Apply water to surface and wipe off

√ **Step 4:**
Scrub area lightly with graffiti safe wipe

√ **Step 5:**
Apply water and wipe off

√ **Step 6:**
Use after wipe to remove any left over graffiti