# Road Classification – Road Review Initiation - Summary

The Administrative Classification Process determines which roads are the responsibility of either the State Government or Local Government. A request for a classification assessment is generally initiated by local government. Other parties may request a review, however, it must be endorsed by the relevant local government(s).

The criteria for **urban** assessments within the Metropolitan area were developed by a Working Group with representation from Main Roads, WALGA and Local Governments in 2018.

The criteria for **rural** assessments were developed with representation from Main Roads, WALGA and Regional Road Groups representing Local Governments in 2019.

The current criteria are designed to reflect the Main Roads Act 1930 in a modern light considering the current traffic and transport network requirements.

Requests for a review of the classification of existing roads can occur at any time. The request is to:

* be forwarded to Main Roads’ Road Classification Manager at Main Roads’ East Perth office, PO Box 6202, East Perth WA 6892, or via email at enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au ;
* clearly demonstrate the reason or basis for the request i.e. how the function of the road has changed, and the factors responsible for this change.
* be accompanied by a detailed assessment report in the preferred format:
	+ The assessment template for roads **within** the Perth and Peel Region is available on the Main Roads website (*Template – Administrative Classification Assessment – for Roads within the Metropolitan and Peel Region Schemes*)*.*
	+ The assessment template for roads **outside** the Perth and Peel Region is available on the Main Roads website (*Template – Administrative Classification Assessment – Rural – for Roads in Built Up and Non Built Up Areas outside the Perth and Peel Metropolitan Schemes).*
* be a joint submission from affected local governments if the road crosses jurisdictional boundaries.

Prior to undertaking a detailed assessment, proponents of a proposed road reclassification are encouraged to make contact at officer level with Main Roads’ Road Classification Manager with a view to reaching an understanding on apparent or possible compliance of the road with the provisions of the Main Roads Act and therefore the need for a more comprehensive assessment.

Regardless of the outcome of those discussions, proponents are still welcome to make a written request for a road’s classification to be reviewed.

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