

food industry fact sheet



Provisions associated with operating a mobile catering business

All mobile catering businesses are required to comply with the provisions of the Food Act 1981, including licensing and registration. For further information on this, see the **Licensing guidelines for mobile catering businesses** fact sheet.

Where am I permitted to operate?

There may be restrictions on where your vehicle can be located. The use of public land (eg footpaths, roads, beaches, parks etc) may be restricted or regulated by the local government.

Operators of food vehicles intending to operate on private land on a permanent basis must seek the relevant Planning approval. These types of operations may also require Building, Plumbing and Trade Waste approval.

Are there any restrictions on the noise I create?

Noise shall not exceed the standards laid down by the Environmental Protection (Noise) Policy under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. Local government local laws may also apply.

Common sources of noise nuisance are music, people, and refrigeration or air conditioning compressors.

Do I have to display of my licence and registration?

You may be required to prominently display your licence and registration.

Other Government Regulations for Food Vehicles

The use of liquid petroleum gas must comply with Australian Standard 1596-1979 SAA Gas Code. Ask a local gas fitter for a certificate of compliance. The food vehicle shall comply with the appropriate Motor Vehicle Legislation of Queensland.

Public Liability Insurance

You may be required to carry insurance that both indemnifies you and the local council.

Where do I go for more information?

- **Restaurant and Catering Queensland**
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Royal Brisbane Hospital
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or contact the Environmental Health Officer from your local government.



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