



1. SCOPE

This policy applies to anyone who wishes to operate as a mobile food vendor on land owned or managed by the Circular Head Council.

This Policy does not apply to roadside vendors selling fresh produce. These vendors are outside the scope of this policy and are required to complete a separate permit process.

This Policy does not apply to mobile food vendors who are operating as part of an approved event.

The Policy does not apply to mobile food vendors who are operating at recreational grounds/centres during sporting games, trainings and events.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance as to where and when the Circular Head Council will permit mobile food vendors to operate from Council owned or managed land, taking into consideration the competing needs and interests of local businesses, residents, consumers and food van operators.

3. POLICY STATEMENT

Council understands that mobile food vendors are a legitimate part of the Tasmanian Food Industry and are an emerging alternative to a fixed food premises. As a result, Council supports the operation of mobile food vendors on defined areas of Council owned and managed land. The operation of a mobile food vendor must be in accordance with the Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines.

4. POLICY OPERATION

- 4.1 Mobile Food Vendors are permitted to operate from defined areas of Council owned or managed land as detailed in the Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines.
- 4.2 Mobile Food Vendors will be controlled through the issuing of permits. Mobile Food Vendor Permits are not required if mobile food vendors are operating as part of an approved event.
- 4.3 Mobile Food Vendor Permits will only be issued to mobile food vendors complying with the *Food Act 2003* and who supply a copy of a valid food licence.
- 4.4 Mobile Food Vendors must be approved via the Mobile Food Vendor online booking system prior to operating at one of the defined locations detailed within the Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines.
- 4.5 Mobile food vendor must operate in accordance with the Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines.
- 4.6 Council reserves the right to revoke a Mobile Food Vendor permit at any time during the permit period if the Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines are not complied with, following due warning for non-compliance.

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- 4.7 The re-issuing of Mobile Food Vending Permits will occur annually in line with food business registration renewals, and renewal is the responsibility of the business owner.
- 4.8 An annual fee will be payable by the mobile food vendor as determined by the Circular Head Council.

5. REFERENCES & RELATED DOCUMENTS

Mobile Food Vendor Guidelines CG020

6. DEFINITIONS

Mobile Food Vendor – For the purpose of this policy, a mobile food vendor is defined as a food business who is registered as a Mobile Food Business under the *Food Act 2003* and who operates wholly from within a road registered vehicle such as a truck, minivan, caravan or enclosed trailer. Food is served directly from the van to the customer for immediate consumption.

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