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Mobile food vehicle operating from permanent location

Mobile food vehicles operating on a permanent basis from a single location on private land must comply with Food Safety Standards 3.2.2 and 3.2.3. The Environmental Health Team will assess the suitability of the operation as a fixed food premises. As such, the following requirements apply:

- Mobile food vehicles **must** be connected to a permanent mains SA Water sewer connection (or an approved onsite wastewater system in non-sewered areas) to ensure proper wastewater disposal. The use of holding tanks for wastewater disposal in sewered areas is **not** permitted. Contact SA Water for authorisation to dispose of wastewater into the SA Water sewer network.
- Mobile food vehicles **must** be connected to a permanent supply of potable mains water using food-grade hoses, tanks, and connection points.
- Mobile food vehicles must have suitably enclosed bins for the collection of general waste from the operation and for customer use while trading.
- Mobile food vehicles must have a designated handwashing sink with a supply of warm running water.
- Take all reasonable steps to prevent the entry and harbouring of pests. This includes sealing the vehicle when not in use and ensuring the vehicle is free from gaps or cracks which may allow pest entry.
- Mobile food vehicles must provide a designated cleaning sink for disposing of wastewater from cleaning activities (e.g. mop water), or make suitable provisions onsite for wastewater disposal.
- Mobile food vehicles must have dishwashing sinks that are appropriately sized to allow for the proper cleaning and sanitising of equipment and utensils. Alternatively, a commercial-grade dishwasher may be used.
- Due to limited space for food handling and preparation, the extent and type of food handling that meets the Food Safety Standards may be restricted. Council reserves the right to limit or require modifications to food handling practices within the vehicle to ensure compliance with the Food Safety Standards.

This information is intended to be read in conjunctions with Council's Food Premises: Construction and Fit-out Guide which can be found on the PAE website as it is not an exhaustive list.

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Failure to comply with these requirements can result in enforcement action under the South Australian Food Act 2001. The City of Port Adelaide Enfield can issue fines, Improvement Notices and Prohibition Order if non-compliance is observed.

