

Who should read this guide?

Anyone who is proposing to operate a small-scale business from the site of their residential premises.

What is a Home Activity?

A home activity is the use of a site by a person/ resident on the site that:

(a) complies with the following criteria:

- The floor or site area of the business does not exceed 30 m² of floor area
- No more than one other person in addition to the resident in the dwelling on the premises at any time
- Requirements on public utilities (e.g. electricity/water) is not be greater than those for domestic use
- No products or goods for sale or associated with the business are displayed
- No vehicles in excess of 3 tonne tare in weight are associated with, or service, the business
- There is no detrimental effect on the amenity of any part of the locality

(b) does not require or involve any of the following:

- A sign (other than a non-illuminated sign not exceeding 0.2 m² which displays the name, address and identification of the business or profession)
- A nuisance* to any owner or occupier of land in the vicinity.
** A nuisance is considered to be an activity that annoys another person and may include:*
 - Excessive noise
 - Traffic; i.e. deliveries, parking, etc
 - An excessive number of visitors to the property
 - Activity outside of normal business hours
- Generation of fumes, dust, smoke, etc.

If the activity has a detrimental impact on the amenity of the area, then activity will not comply with the requirements of a 'home activity'.

When is Development Approval required?

Provided the business is conducted within the above-defined criteria of home activity, an application to Council is not required.

You are however advised to give written notice to Council's Development Assessment team of your intentions to undertake a home activity.

If your proposed home activity does not conform to the above-defined criteria of home activity, a development application must be lodged with Council.

In these instances, please read the information guides on 'Change of Land Use' and 'Non-Complying Development' for further information.

The proposal will be assessed against the relevant provisions of the *Adelaide (City) Development Plan* in relation to the proposed land use. There is no guarantee that consent will be granted.

It is also recommended that you check with other authorities for any non-council related requirements that may need to be met.

Further Information

For further information or to discuss your specific requirements, please contact Council's Development Assessment team on **08 8203 7185** or d.planner@cityofadelaide.com.au.