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GUIDANCE ON OUT OF SCHOOL CARE & RECREATION

Whakamaru kai mo ngā kura

What does the Food Act mean for me?

For example, before and after school programmes, breakfast clubs, holiday programmes, school camps and similar programmes and businesses.

If you run an Out of School and Recreation programme (OSCAR), you may have to register for the Food Act. To find out if your programme needs to register, check inside this booklet.

If your OSCAR programme operates in multiple different geographic regions and requires a Food Control Plan or National Programme, then you can register with local councils in each area, or one registration with MPI.

Check inside for examples, or go online and use the 'My Food Rules' tool: www.mpi.govt.nz/myfoodrules



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Everyone selling or serving food as part of a paid service must make sure the food is safe and suitable. Even if you don't need to be registered under the Food Act, you can still be checked and held accountable if you make people sick!

When you do need to register:



You provide or sell, as part of your service reheated and/or pre-packaged food such as sandwiches, pies, or ready made sausage rolls, which you buy from another company.

You will need to register and work under a National Programme 3. Contact your local council or MPI for advice on how to register.



You provide or sell, as part of your service pre-made and pre-packaged food (such as sandwiches), which you buy from another company and do not heat or unwrap (but that do require chilling).

You will need to register and work under a National Programme 2. Contact your local council or MPI for advice on how to register.



You prepare and provide sandwiches or cooked food on a regular basis. The food is either sold separately or is provided as part of the paid service.

You will need to register and work under a Food Control Plan. Contact your local council or MPI for advice on how to register.

If you need to register for the Food Act, go to www.mpi.govt.nz/foodact

When you don't need to register:



You run a breakfast or after-school programme, e.g. you provide packaged food like crackers, breakfast cereal, UHT milk, biscuits etc (which don't need to be kept cold or reheated)

No registration is required.



Food is provided by a school tuckshop/canteen/café, a delivery service (such as a pizza delivery), or by a local caterer.

No registration is required for the OSCAR provider. But the food business delivering the food will need to be registered.



People donate food, e.g. 'Bring a plate' where whānau bring kai to share

No registration is required.



Children bring their own food to the programme, e.g. a packed lunch

No registration is required.



You provide as part of your service, pre-packaged food like packets of chips, dried fruit and nuts (that do not require chilling).

No registration is required.



Curriculum catering – OSCAR Programme staff prepare food with the children as part of the lesson

No registration is required.