



# Home based activity

## What is a home-based activity?

Home-based activities include the following development types:

- home occupations
- home-based child care
- home business
- home industry
- home occupation (sex services)
- bed and breakfast accommodation.

Home-based activities are low-impact activities that do not interfere with the amenity of the residential neighbourhood.

## What qualifies as a home-based activity?

Home-based activities may include hairdressing, accountancy, bookkeeping, child care, commercial food preparation or bed and breakfast accommodation.

Each home-based activity is separately defined under Kiama Local Environmental Plan 2011 or State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.

## Is approval required for home-based activities?

Some home-based activities require development consent, others are complying development and some may not require consent at all.

Please refer to the individual home-based activity fact sheets.

If you are satisfied your proposal is an exempt development, no written approval or confirmation is required from Council. It is the responsibility of the person proposing to carry out the land use to ensure they comply. Where a home based activity is not exempt or complying development, a development application will need to be lodged with Council.

Refer to the individual home based activity fact sheets to assist in identifying what type of approval is required.

## Are you being a good neighbour?

If Council receives complaints regarding non-compliance, we may investigate further. Non-compliance may mean your proposal is not suitable as a home-based activity.



## Development contributions- s7.11

Council levies for a wide range of development types, including dual occupancy.

It is important to review Council's Development Contribution Plan to establish if a s7.11 levy applies to your proposal.

More information on s7.11 development contributions is available on our website.

## Lodgement of a development application

Submission of a development application must be accompanied by the development application fee.

Fee estimates can be requested by using Council's online request form.

## Need help?

If you have any questions, Council's Development Assessment staff are available for brief consultations and to provide general advice at Council's Customer Service counter between 8.45am and 11am Monday to Friday.

Appointments may be made outside these hours, subject to availability. Council staff cannot assist in the preparation of your application or the supporting documents.

## Disclaimer

This fact sheet provides a summary of key elements of a home-based activity. Any person using this document must do so on the basis that, not every scenario and issue can be addressed, and discussion with Council should be undertaken. This document is subject to change without notice.