

# Food Premises Fitout and Construction

## 1. Objectives

The objectives of these controls are to:

- highlight the standards adopted by Council for food premises in the Shire
- ensure a consistent standard of construction and fitout of all food premises is maintained.

## 2. National Code for the Construction and Fitout of Food Premises

Temora Shire Council has adopted as the standard for all food premises/food stores the *National Code for the construction and fitout of food premises* which has now been changed to *Australian Standard AS 4674 -- Design, Construction and Fit out of Food Premises*.

The code was originally adopted by the Australian Institute of Environmental Health as a uniform standard for the construction and fitout of food premises, the manufacture and installation of fixtures, fittings and equipment for food premises.

The code updates the National Food Premises Code June 1988 and the Australian Standard now supersedes both.

The Australian Standard takes into account changes in material and equipment available and feedback and further consultation with Environmental Health Surveyors, Architects, Builders, Contractors, Shop fitters and various persons and organisations associated with the planning, construction and fitout of food premises.

The Australian Standard promotes a national and uniform satisfactory hygienic standard and to facilitate easy cleaning and maintenance.

### **3. Matters covered by the Australian Standard**

The following matters are addressed in the Australian Standard:-

- Construction
- Materials
- Finish
- Installation of fixtures
- Installation of fittings
- Installation of equipment
- Washing facilities
- Food conveyors
- Ventilation
- Window displays
- Special facilities e.g. Staff toilet accommodation

Copies of the Australian Standard are available through the following website  
[www.standards.org.au/](http://www.standards.org.au/)

### **4. Council requirements**

Food premises are inspected routinely, and Council charges an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges Policy. Mobile Food vans/food stalls/etc., that operate either on a permanent basis or periodical basis are subject to the same requirements as other food premises.

### **5. Relevant Section C - Development Controls**

The following other parts of *Section C – Development Controls* relevant to Food Premises Fitout and Construction includes:

- *Bed and Breakfast Accommodation*
- *Development Applications*
- *Heritage and Conservation*
- *Notification of Development Applications*
- *Signage*