

Busking rules

No person shall perform as a busker in any public place without having first provided their name and contact details to the Council and having obtained a copy of the rules related to this activity, outlined below.

No person shall while performing as a busker in any public place:

- occupy any footpath adjacent to any retail or other commercial premises without the consent of the owner or Manager of such premises.
- occupy any footpath or pedestrian way in such a way as to obstruct or impede the free movement of pedestrians along the footpath, or way or through the public place.
- allow the persons forming the audience to obstruct or impede the free movement of pedestrians along the footpath or way or through the public place.
- use language or behaviour which is abusive, insulting, threatening or offensive.
- undertake or perform any busking activity which generates any noise which in the opinion of any Police or Enforcement Officer unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort and/or convenience of any person or persons.
- continue to occupy any place or site on a footpath or in any public place for longer than one hour continuously in any two hour period.

A Police or Enforcement Officer may require any busker to cease busking who has not advised the Council of their intention to busk, or who is not complying with the rules outlined in this Bylaw, or who is otherwise causing a nuisance or obstructing the free passage of pedestrians by the busking, and/or spectators.

If, after a verbal warning, a person continues to busk in a way that is in breach of the Bylaw provisions, a Police or Enforcement Officer may seize and impound property materially involved in the activity.

Additional restrictions

The Council may, by resolution, specify particular types of busking activities which will require a permit, and may determine, as part of that resolution, the terms and conditions of that permit.

Where any specific busking activity has been resolved by the Council to require a permit, it is an offence against this Bylaw for any person to carry on any such busking activity without first obtaining and holding a valid permit.