

The Development Regulations 2008 list “acts and activities which are not development”. A home activity being carried out on residential land is included in this list.

The Development Regulations 2008 define a *Home Activity* as the

“use of a site by a person resident on the site -

- (a) that does not detrimentally affect the amenity of the locality or any part of the locality; and
- (b) that does not require or involve any of the following:
  - (i) assistance by more than 1 person who is not a resident in the dwelling;
  - (ii) use (whether temporarily or permanently) of a floor area exceeding 30 square metres;
  - (iii) the imposition on the services provided by a public utility organisation of any demand or load greater than that which is ordinarily imposed by other users of the services in the locality;
  - (iv) the display of goods in a window or about the dwelling or its curtilage;
  - (v) the use of a vehicle exceeding 3 tonne tare in weight”

Activities which may “detrimentally affect the amenity of the locality” would include anything that:

- creates noise, smoke, fumes or dust;
- operates outside of reasonable hours;
- operates for extended or continuous periods; or
- generates higher levels of carparking or traffic than would normally happen in a residential area.

You can erect a sign of 0.2m<sup>2</sup> or less advertising your activity or business on your property without needing development approval.

You do not need to apply for Development Approval if your Home Activity meets this definition.

If your proposal does not meet this definition or includes building work, then you will need to apply for Development Approval.

If you are not sure if your proposal meets the “Home Activity” criteria, please feel free to contact the Development Section on 8372 5111.