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Business licenses and permits

Business licences and permits ensure that you, your business, the community and the environment you operate in are protected. While almost all businesses require some type of licence of permit, there are strategies you can employ to sail through red tape without much effort, time or wasted money.

The following steps will assist you to become fully informed about your business licensing requirements:

- 1. Know who can help you find out about the licenses or permits that may affect your business.
- 2. Make a list of your business activities.
- 3. Undertake your own general research by looking on the internet or speaking to other businesses or your legal and financial advisors.
- 4. Have a look at the Business Entry Point website www.business.gov.au.
- **5.** Visit the SmartLicence web pages on the Department of State Development's website www.smartsmallbusiness.gld.gov.au.
- **6.** Source information from your local State Development Centre on telephone 13 26 50.
- 7. Check with your local council for information about any council regulations related to operating your business particularly if you are a home based business.

Further information

The following fact sheets provide further information on these issues:

Business planning

