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Chief Executive Officer
WA Local Governments
Via email

Dear Sir / Madam

REMINDER - INTRODUCTION OF STANDARD 3.2.2A – FOOD SAFETY MANAGEMENT TOOLS

The Department of Health is writing to provide you an update and reminder on the implementation of the new Food Safety Standard 3.2.2A – Food Safety Management Tools that will come into force on 8 December 2023.

In accordance with the *Food Act 2008*, local government enforcement agencies are responsible for notifying food service, catering and retail food businesses registered with your local government of their requirement to implement the standard.

The Department intends to arrange a second series of advertisements from 9 October 2023, after the school holidays, across regional and metropolitan newspapers to further promote awareness and adoption of the standard.

Local governments are encouraged to also remind food businesses of the 8 December 2023 deadline during October. Updated social media graphics have been published on the stakeholder toolkit

https://www.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Campaign-national-food-safety-standards) webpage to support promotion and education of the standard.

The Department has also developed answers to some frequently asked questions (https://www.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/F_I/Food-safety-management-tools-FAQs) to assist in understanding the new standard.

Other useful resources include:

- [Food Safety Management Tools for food businesses](#)
- [Food Safety Supervisor Training Course](#)
- [Food Safety Management Tools-infographic](#)
- [Food Safety Management Tools factsheet](#)
- [Food Safety Management Tools Guide](#)

Promotion, compliance and enforcement of the standard

Your local government has a vital role in helping to raise awareness of the standard to your local food businesses, monitor ongoing compliance from the 8 December 2023 and where required to initiate enforcement action.

Further information

If you have any queries, please email foodsafety@health.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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