

# Advertising, Bill Posting and Hawking at Bus Infrastructure Policy

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5.0	May 2019	Passenger Transport	Inserted definition of “Public Transport Area” to align with amendments to Tobacco Act.
6.0	September 2022	Passenger Transport	Merged into new template. Included section 3 Breaches and penalties to reference the penalty amount if you contravene the rules of behaviour. Removed section Performance Management.

Definitions	
The following definitions are used in this document	
Public Transport Area	Any place that is used or is intended to be used by passengers boarding or alighting from public transport and at which shelter is provided for those passengers, including but not limited to a bus stop, station, interchange, park and ride or shelter.

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## 1. Introduction

The *Public Transport (Passenger Safety) Act 2008* (the Act) establishes rules of behaviour that apply to users of bus services and infrastructure. The Act prescribes penalties for people who do not comply with the rules of behaviour.

The Act states that a person must not cause a nuisance or inconvenience to others on any Public Transport Area. Behaviour that may cause a nuisance or inconvenience to other users of a Public Transport Area is prohibited.

## 2. Prohibited Conduct

It is prohibited to advertise or promote any function, event or affiliation at any Public Transport Area without the express permission of the Director of Passenger Transport.

Specifically, a person must not distribute any material of a notifying or advertising nature, including, but not limited to, notices or flyers advertising events, functions, products for sale or material of political, environmental or social nature.

This includes:

- handing out or posting materials on any walls, or other surfaces in or around Public Transport Areas; and
- making any unsolicited approaches to any person at any Public Transport Area for the purposes of advertising or promoting an event.

Busking is also not permitted at any Public Transport Area.

## 3. Breaches and penalties

A person who contravenes a rule of behaviour, commits an offence under section 22 of the Act.

A person will be directed to leave by a TO or SO from the location, and if they do not comply, a TO will issue the person with an infringement notice. An amount equivalent to 3% of the maximum monetary penalty (20 penalty units) will apply.

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## 4. Accountability Statement

Accountability for implementing this policy lies with the Director, Passenger Transport, DIPL.

## 3. Further information

If you notice someone breaching the rules of behaviour or require further information about this policy, please contact the DIPL on 8924 7666 or email [public.transport@nt.gov.au](mailto:public.transport@nt.gov.au)