



Editorial Policy

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The Tourism News is committed to honest reporting of news, particularly to news pertaining to Australia's arts, recreation, transport, accommodation and food service industries for the benefit of Australian consumers, employers and proprietors of these industries.

All persons representing *The Tourism News* and its parent company Australian Voice For Tourism (AVFT), commit to the following for all information created or promoted by AVFT companies on any platform.

HONESTY

Qualified journalists are committed to rigorous journalistic standards. Staff will be required to report any parallel employment or pecuniary interests as part of their contract.

EDITORIAL DIRECTION AND INDEPENDENCE

The Tourism News is committed to reporting and promoting stories on their merit and relative importance to the Australian public interest. No story will be preferenced or changed based on the commercial interests, existing or potential, of Australian Voice For Tourism or *The Tourism News*.

FAIRNESS

Editorial and content staff will not misrepresent any person or organisation in reporting for *The Tourism News*.

PRIVACY

Community expectations of privacy will be upheld.

CORRECTIONS

Corrections will be separately published on all platforms where the original content was published as an additional commitment to accuracy and transparency.

Any intentional publication of incorrect or misleading information will result in serious consequences for the editorial staff responsible.

COMMITMENT TO NON-PARTISANSHIP AND AVOIDING CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

No preference for or objections to political parties will be communicated. Researched and referenced positions for or against relevant policies are acceptable, with invitation for comment by relevant governments always invited and published.

New staff sign a commitment to these policies at commencement of employment and as part of their employment contract.