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Your legal obligations

You must not feed pigs anything that:

- contains meat or meat products or any other products from mammals (except Australian dairy products and dairy products legally imported for feeding livestock)
- has been in contact with meat, meat products or any other products from mammals.

Which foods (swill) are illegal to feed to pigs?

- food scraps and waste from:
 - processors and manufacturers
 - food retailers (e.g. bakeries, supermarkets)
 - hotels, restaurants, cafes, fast food outlets, delicatessens, lunch bars
 - homes
 - rubbish dumps
- all meat, meat scraps and meat trimmings from mammals
- non-Australian milk or dairy products unless imported for feeding to livestock
- used cooking oil, unless it has been treated to the required standard (see below)
- offal
- mammal blood, bones and carcasses
- any waste not known to be free of meat or contact with meat.

Which foods are safe to feed to pigs?

- grains, fruits and vegetables, provided they have not had contact with meat
- commercially manufactured pig feed
- meat meals and tallow, provided they have been produced according to the Australian Standard for the Hygienic Rendering of Animal Products (AS 5008:2007)
- Australian milk or milk products or milk and milk products imported into Australia for stockfeed
- used cooking oil, provided it has only been used for cooking in Australia and has been processed according to the National Standard for Recycling of Used Cooking Fats and Oils Intended for Animal Feeds.

More information

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Don't feed food scraps to pigs



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