

NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Our ref: DF25/075010

Manjit Singh Lally

11 December 2025

Dear Manjit Singh Lally

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| Application No. | APP-0015107090 |
| Applicant | YENDA GROCER PTY LTD |
| Application for | New packaged liquor licence |
| Application date | 18 July 2025 |
| Decision date | 19 November 2025 |
| Proposed licence name | Foodworks Yenda |
| Proposed trading hours | Monday to Sunday 10:00 AM – 06:00 PM |
| Proposed premises | 24 Yenda Place Yenda NSW 2681 |
| Legislation | Sections 3, 31, 40 and 44 of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i> |

Decision of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

Application for a new packaged liquor licence – Foodworks Yenda

We **refuse** the application above under section 31(1) of the *Liquor Act 2007* (**the Act**).

Statement of reasons

The applicant is seeking to operate a packaged liquor licence as a liquor sales area within an existing general store known as Foodworks Yenda.

Section 31(1) of the Act states that a packaged liquor licence must not be granted for premises that comprise a general store unless the Authority is satisfied that:

- in the neighbourhood of the premises concerned, no other take-away liquor service is reasonably available to the public, and
- the grant of the licence would not encourage drink-driving or other liquor-related harm.

Our main findings

We are satisfied that the grant of the licence would not encourage drink-driving or other liquor-related harm, as submissions received from Transport for NSW, Griffith City Council and the NSW Police did not raise any issues.

However, when considering section 31(1)(a) of the Act, we formed the view that other take-away liquor services are reasonably available in the neighbourhood of the proposed premises as there is one packaged liquor licence currently operating less than 1km away from the proposed premises, Casella Family Brands. Additionally, the Yenda Hotel has a hotel licence which allows it to sell liquor for consumption away from the premises.

Yenda Hotel operates a Bottlemart liquor store open between the hours of 10am and 10pm, Monday to Sunday, according to the Yenda Hotel website. The Yenda Hotel is 240 metres away from the proposed premises, with both the Yenda Hotel and the proposed premises being in the Yenda town centre. It can be accessed by the public easily and does not restrict entry through a membership, making it convenient for the public to peruse or purchase take-away liquor. It advertises alcohol on its website and social media accounts therefore it is likely the public is aware that alcohol is available for purchase.

Casella Family Brands is a packaged liquor licence, and although it does not operate a public retail outlet or cellar door (delivery only), the licence is classified as a full bottleshop and there are no conditions on the licence restricting it to delivery only.

Accordingly, we are not satisfied that, in the neighbourhood of the premises concerned, no other take-away liquor service is reasonably available to the public.

Therefore, we refuse the application.

The material we considered

We considered the following material when making our decision:

- the application material — including evidence that stakeholders and the community were notified about the application
- the legislation
- the plan of the licensed premises
- Yenda Hotel website and social media
- location of each premises on Google Maps
- stakeholder submissions and the applicant's response to them.

This decision will be published in accordance with section 36C of the *Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007*.

Opportunity for review

The applicant and anyone who was notified of the application and made a submission, may apply to [NCAT](#) for a review of the decision.

An application for review must be made no later than 28 days after the decision is published on the website. There is a fee to lodge the application.

For more information, please contact the NCAT Registry at Level 10 John Maddison Tower, 86-90 Goulburn Street Sydney or visit the NCAT website.

If you have any questions

Please contact Liquor & Gaming NSW at: new.applications@liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



Caroline Lamb

Chairperson

NSW Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority