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SCCA WELCOMES UPDATED VICTORIAN RETAIL LEASES INFORMATION BROCHURE

The Shopping Centre Council of Australia (SCCA) has welcomed the release of the updated Retail Leases Information Brochure for Tenants by the Victorian Small Business Commission, which will become mandatory for new retail lease negotiations from 1 July 2026.

The updated brochure provides prospective retail tenants with clear, accessible information about their rights and responsibilities under Victoria's retail leasing framework, helping them make informed decisions before entering into a lease. It is also available in multiple community languages, supporting Victoria's diverse small business sector.

Angus Nardi, Chief Executive of the SCCA said the updated brochure was an important tool in supporting transparency and informed decision-making throughout the retail leasing process.

"The Retail Leases Information Brochure is a critical part of the retail leasing process, helping prospective tenants understand their rights, responsibilities and the key considerations before entering into a lease," Mr Nardi said.

"Our industry has long supported measures that assist tenants to make informed decisions and contribute to a more transparent, efficient and effective retail leasing system."

"We appreciate the Victorian Government and the Victorian Small Business Commission engaging with industry stakeholders throughout the development of the updated brochure and look forward to its implementation from 1 July."

The SCCA encourages retail landlords and leasing representatives to familiarise themselves with the updated brochure and ensure their leasing documentation is updated ahead of the commencement date.

The SCCA is the national industry group for major shopping centre owner and operators.

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