

04.340 Mobile Vendor Standards and Guidelines

The sale of food and other retail items from a motorized vehicle or from a trailer, or from a portable unit, is permitted in Commercial and Mixed Use land use designations. Temporary uses (i.e., fewer than 180 days) may be permitted through a Director Review or Special Event permit. Longer-term or permanent operations shall be permitted through a use permit. The following standards and guidelines shall apply to all operations:

- A. A permit application shall be submitted and shall include the following:
 - 1. A Plan of Operations as defined in 04.330;
 - 2. The location of the Commissary for food vendors;
 - 3. Renderings of the proposed mobile vendor;
 - 4. A description of vending services including incidental merchandise, sales methods, and the nature of the products; and
 - 5. A copy of current California vehicle registration.
- B. Comply with any applicable California Building Code requirements.
- C. Comply with California Health and Retail Code and Environmental Health regulations including:
 - 1. Approval from Mono County Environment Health;
 - 2. Display of required health permits in a visible location; and
 - 3. Provision of a restroom within 200 feet for employees.
- D. The application shall be sent to the applicable Fire Protection District for a compliance review prior to permit approval.
- E. No amplified sound or music is permitted. The project shall operate in compliance with Mono County Code Chapter 10.16 (Noise Regulation).
- F. Signage shall be placed on the food truck. All signs shall be in compliance with Chapter 07 of the Mono County General Plan.
- G. The site shall be kept free of any litter or debris at all times.

- H. Mobile food facility shall be sited in the designated location as listed on the permit.
- I. Bear-proof waste and recycle containers shall be provided for the deposit of food scraps and trash. If the operation occurs only in areas where bears are not present, the bear-proofing requirement may be waived.
- J. Vendors shall not obstruct pedestrian access or vehicle traffic.
- K. If propane is used as a part of the operation, a fire extinguisher shall be kept with the food cart/truck at all times.
- L. Sales shall occur only during hours of operation listed on the permit.
- M. The operation shall not be approved as a home-based business and shall be based out of an appropriate commercial location.
- N. Vending within fire lanes, loading zones, etc. is prohibited.
- O. Comply with all traffic and parking laws.
- P. Placement of tables, chairs, or similar items in the right of way (streets or sidewalk) is prohibited.
- Q. Supply or drainage pipes or power supply cords that pertain to the vending operation shall not be placed on or across surface parking or unimproved areas, or be attached to adjoining or nearby buildings, unless the vending operation is located immediately adjacent to the building so that the attached pipes or power cord have minimal exposure and do not present a potential hazard for passersby.

New food vendors should diversify offerings to food not currently being available in the community.