

Food bikes for street vending

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Food bike Example from The Netherlands:



Food bike advantages:

- Health: Integrates work-out for vendor. Promotes **biking**.
- Cultural: Typically Dutch. **Novelty** for Sacramento.
- Economical: **Low investment** compared to food trucks.
- Sustainability: **Low CO₂** emissions.



**HOW TO OBTAIN A HEALTH PERMIT
 FOR
 MOBILE FOOD FACILITIES**

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to assist customers in the procedures for obtaining a health permit for mobile food facilities.

	DEFINITIONS	EXAMPLES
CATEGORY -A	A vehicle that sells prepackaged food only including frozen potentially hazardous foods (PHFs). *Whole uncut produce and whole fish are considered prepackaged. No refrigerated PHFs allowed with exception to whole fish or aquatic invertebrates on ice.	Whole uncut produce, ice cream bars, whole fish, frozen prepackaged meat, candy, bottled beverages, non PHF fruit cups (prepared at an approved commissary).
CATEGORY -B	A vehicle that will be used to sell food that requires no preparation other than heating, popping, baking, shaving of ice, portioning, dispensing of non PHFs and blending (no frozen milk products) *No reheating of PHF's for hot holding, except for steamed or boiled hot dogs and tamales in the original, inedible wrapper. **No hot holding of nonprepackaged, PHF's, except for roasting corn on the cob, steamed or boiled hot dogs, and tamales in the original inedible wrapper.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepackaged fruit cups prepared at an approved commissary (PHF ok) • Blending smoothies – (no frozen milk products), • Dispensing beverage drinks, • Snow cones, and shaved ice. • Portioning popcorn • Hot holding roasted corn on the cob, steamed or boiled hot dogs, and tamales in the original, inedible wrapper. • Baking to nonPHF form
CATEGORY -C	SAME AS CATEGORY-B except the following: <i>The Mobile Food Facility Category C utilizes an onsite commissary <u>previously not permitted</u> by Sacramento County Environmental Health.</i>	SAME AS ABOVE <i>*May require onsite commissary to go through plan review.</i>
CATEGORY -D	A vehicle that will be used to sell nonprepackaged food that is cooked on the vehicle or any nonprepackaged food that requires preparation beyond heating, popping, shaving of ice, blending, portioning, assembling, dispensing or baking to a nonPHF form.	Hot lunch truck, frying churros, soft serve ice cream

Note: A site evaluation may be required to prepare food from a location that is not listed on the approved commissary list (i.e., rest, etc.).

Requirements	Category A	Category B	Category C	Category D
*Full enclosure/food compartment (Sec 113984)	Not required	Food compartment required	Food compartment required	Food compartment required if: Heating, frying, baking, roasting, popping, blending or assembly, slicing and chopping on heated surface. e.g. frying churros Full enclosure: Slicing and chopping, grinding of raw ingredients or PHFs, thawing, cooling of PHFs, reheating for hot holding, washing of foods or cooking of PHFs for later use, beverages with frozen milk products and soft serve ice cream (California Department of Food and Agriculture requirement)
Mechanical ventilation [(Sec 114149.1 (a))]	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required
*Mechanical refrigeration Gas: ANSI approved Electric:UL approved (Sec 114301 (c))	Mechanical freezers required for frozen PHF's but not including whole aquatic invertebrates or ready-to-eat frozen foods.	Required if PHFs are handled on MFF	Required for PHFs	Required for PHFs
Food safety certificate (Sec 113947.1)	Not required	Required if nonprepackaged PHFs are handled on cart or in commissary.	Required for nonprepackaged PHFs	Required for nonprepackaged PHFs
Food handler card (Sec 113948)	Not Required	Required	Required	Required

*Operator shall not be required to replace or modify an existing MFF APPROVED FOR OPERATION PRIOR TO 7-01-2007, so long as the facility is operated in accordance with the conditions of approval. Plans and specifications may be required by the ENFORCEMENT AGENCY if it determines that they are necessary to assure compliance with this part. (Sec.114309)
NOTE: Additions or changes in types of food served may require compliance with Cal Code with equipment upgrades.

Ancillary equipment at MFF:

MFF B & C:

Unless MFF is operating at a community event or swap meet,

- A single piece of ancillary equipment (merchandise, movable shelf etc) will be allowed; however, all other items must be stored on the MFF.
- Alternatively, a maximum of 2 ice chests for stocking the MFF in lieu of a single piece of ancillary equipment will be allowed.
- Consumable ice (ice for shaved ice, mocha, iced beverages etc) must be stored appropriately in ice bins on MFF.
- The maximum allowable size of the ancillary equipment that can be approved is 15 square feet of surface area (for example: 3ft X 5ft), and the equipment must also be mobile.

Cat D:

Unless MFF is operating at a community event or swap meet

- No ancillary equipment is allowed. All the food items and food related equipment must be stored inside MFF.

Other agencies

The following agencies may be involved in regulating and/or permitting mobile food facilities. You may contact these other agencies regarding their requirements.

Agency Name	Location	Phone Number	Information Available
City of Sacramento • Business Permits	City Hall 915 I St Rm 1201 Sacramento, CA 95814	(916) 808-5852	Business Permit & locations where mobile food facilities may operate in the City.
• Neighborhood Services Dept	915 I St, 3 rd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814	(916) 808-7888	Info on special event vending
City of Citrus Heights Planning Dept	6360 Fountain Square Dr Citrus Heights, CA 95621	(916) 725-2448 (916) 727-4907	General information Locations where mobile food facilities may operate in the city
City of Elk Grove	8401 Laguna Palms Way Elk Grove, CA 95758	(916) 478-2211	Business license
City of Folsom	50 Natoma St Folsom, CA 95632	(916) 355-7312	Business license
City of Galt	380 Civic Dr Galt, CA 95632	(209) 366-7158 (209) 366-7150	Finance Department Business license
City of Isleton	501 B 2 nd St Isleton, CA 95641	(916) 777-7770	General information
County of Sacramento • Business Office • Planning & Community Development Dept • Parks & Recreation	700 H St, Rm 1710 Sacramento, CA 95814 827 7 th St, Rm 101 Sacramento, CA 95814 3711 Branch Center Rd	(916) 874-6644 (916) 874-6221 (916) 875-6961	Business License Locations where mobile food facilities may operate in the county Permit to operate in county parks
California Dept of Food and Agriculture Animal Health and Food Safety Services Milk and Dairy Food Safety Branch	2403 West Washington St, Rm 10 Stockton, CA 95203	(209) 466-7186	Milk and Dairy Food Safety Soft Serve Permits
State Dept of Housing & Standards-Community Development	9342 Tech Center Dr #550 Sacramento, CA 95826	(916) 255-2501	Commercial vehicle & cart safety standards
State Dept of Motor Vehicles	Several locations	1-800-777-0133	Vehicle & cart licensing & registration
California Department of Food and Agriculture	1220 N St, Sacramento, CA 95814	916-654-0466 916-900-5016	Licensing for produce vendors who buy wholesale and then sell at retail

Contact

If you need additional information on inspection or mobile food facility requirements, please contact the district Environmental Specialist at (916) 875-8440.