Food Truck Requirements in Each State

Alabama

- Food truck permit and license
- Inspections
- Approval of kitchen for food preparation
- Business license

Alaska

- Food truck permit and license
- Certified Food Protection Manager.
- Fee Schedule.
- Commissary Letter of Agreement.
- Mobile Unit Water Sample Requirements.
- Food Service Primary Requirements.
- Food Establishment Permit Application.
- Plan Review Application.
- Plan Review Guide.

Arizona

- Single state license
- Food handlers permit

Arkansas

- Food-service permit
- Retail food plan review submitted to the Arkansas Department of Health, Environmental Health Protection Branch.
- License

California

- Tax identification number.
- Business license.
- Brand trademark.
- Registered non-P.O. box business address.
- Health Permit.
- Mobile Food Facility Permit.
- Food Safety Certification: Under California law, the owner or an employee of the food truck needs passed a state-approved Food Safety Certification exam.
- Workers' Compensation insurance

Colorado

- Retail Food Establishment License
- Sales Tax License
- Mobile Food Vehicle License
- Solicitor License, or Zoning Permit (depends on the city)
- Vehicle insurance

Connecticut

- General business licenses
- Food service licenses (mobile food vending permit)
- Vehicle licenses
- Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- State sales tax permit
- Reseller's license

Delaware

- Permit
- Inspections
- Compliance with rules and regulation
- License
- Insurance

Florida

- Mobile food service license
- Permission from a site owner to operate on their property
- Submit a Food Establishment Inspection application

Georgia

- Business license
- Motor vehicle tag
- Food service rules
- Health department license, permit or approval
- Owner authorization
- Separation distances specified
- Hours of operation
- Additional operational constraints
- Sanitation

Hawaii

- Commercial driver's license
- Vehicle registration
- Insurance
- Safety inspection
- Hawai'i General Excise Tax License
- Peddler's license

Idaho

- Mobile Food Establishment License Application, along with the annual license fee
- Pre-opening inspection
- Business license

Illinois

- Annual health department food truck permit
- Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- State of Illinois File Number (if a business entity)
- Illinois Department of Revenue Account ID
- Government-issued photo ID from ALL applicants, owners, and business entity controlling persons and registered agents
- Fire Safety permit

Indiana

- Registration through the or county health department
- License
- Application for Plan Review
- Retail food establishment notifying the regulatory authority (either the county health department or Indiana State Department of Health)

Iowa

- License
- All self-contained mobile units and pushcarts, Class III and IV, must have a hand washing sink equipped to provide water at a temperature of at least 100*F through a mixing valve or combination faucet
- A non-mobile unit, or structure, cannot be licensed as a mobile unit
- Food safety inspections

Kansas

- Kansas food safety license
- Licensing inspection

Kentucky

- Food truck and mobile vending permit
- Driver's license
- Seller's permit
- Tax certificate

Louisiana

- State driver's license
- Occupational license
- Food permit
- Mobile food truck's valid registration with the Louisiana Department of Motor Vehicles
- Insurance
- Inspections

Maine

- State food license
- Vendor's license
- Inspections

Maryland

- Food permit
- Inspection
- Application for plans review
- Mobile Food Truck License

Massachusetts

- Permits from Inspectional Services and Fire
- Hawker and Peddler License
- Business Certificate
- Certificate of Liability Insurance
- Business plan
- Written agreement from your commissary

Michigan

- Mobile food service license
- Sales tax license

Minnesota

- Food manager certification
- Food license
- Liability insurance

Mississippi

- Valid city privilege license
- Approval from the city fire marshal's office
- A current food service permit from the Mississippi State Department of Health
- Inspections

Missouri

- Proof of a vending/ business license
- Current health inspection
- A fire safety certification from the building division,
- Submission of the application with the Street Division.

Montana

- Food license
- Inspections
- Insurance

Nebraska

- Food permit
- Sink with hot and cold running water
- Inspections
- Sanitary environment

Nevada

- A city of Las Vegas Mobile Food Vendor business license.
- Proof of compliance with Las Vegas Fire and Rescue.
- A Southern Nevada Health District permit.
- A Nevada State Liquid Propane System inspection

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New Hampshire

- Mobile food unit license
- Mobile food truck permit
- Business license
- Employer Identification Number (EIN)

New Jersey

- Health and fire permits
- Peddler's license
- Parking permits
- Food safety certification
- Tax registration

New Mexico

- Business registration
- Food permit
- Plan review
- Food menu

New York

- Food vendor license
- Permit
- Permit holders and licensed vendors must keep their mailing address current with the NYC Health Department.

North Carolina

- N.C. Sales and Use Certificate.
- Wake County Vending Permit.
- N.C. Department of Agriculture Food Permit (if applicable)
- Copy of vehicle or trailer registration (required for new and renewal)
- Location of approved grease disposal facility (required for new and renewal)

North Dakota

- Appropriate food license
- Submit Plans and Specifications to the licensing and inspection authority for approval
- Written plan approval and certification from applicable agencies
- Pre-operational inspections

Ohio

- Proof of identity, such as a state driver's license
- State vendor's license if you're selling taxable items
- A letter from the city tax division confirming you're in good standing
- Proof that the vehicle is registered
- Commercial liability insurance

Oklahoma

- License from the Oklahoma City County Health Department
- Oklahoma sales tax permit
- Completion of a food service certification program by the person in charge of the food truck
- Vendor permit

Oregon

- Mobile food license
- Food processing license
- Food handler certificates

Pennsylvania

- Permanent or Temporary Retail Food License
- Insurance
- Food truck license

Rhode Island

- Mobile food service license
- Certificates of registrations
- Valid motor vehicle registration
- Valid motor vehicle insurance
- RI retail sales permit

South Carolina

- Local business license
- Food truck permit

South Dakota

- Food vendor permit
- Inspections
- Hand washing sink
- Layout plans submitted to the Department of Health

Tennessee

- Business registration or registration with the Tennessee Department of Review
- Water inspection
- A lease agreement
- Food license
- Floor plan of vehicle

- Copy of certification

Texas

- Food manager identification license
- Food manager's license
- Food handler's license
- Vending license

Utah

- Attend a certified manager course or food handler class
- Obtain a signed commissary agreement from the commissary owner
- Register with the State of Utah Department of Commerce
- Apply with City Business Licensing
- Food Service permit posted on unit.
- Certified Manager (ServSafe) Certificate/Food Handler card for all employees
- Completed Commissary Agreement
- Food prepared at approved commissary
- Completed Restroom Agreement
- Clean water tank (10 Gallon minimum) and food-grade hose

Vermont

- Food license
- Sink for handwashing
- Insurance
- Compliance is required with the "Health Regulations for Food Service Establishments

Virginia

- Annual food permit
- Business license
- Health Department Food Establishment Permit
- Menus
- Inspection of food truck
- Solicitor's license

Washington

- County health permit
- Local fire permit
- Business license
- Join the WA State Food Truck Association

West Virginia

- Mobile food vendor permit
- Business license

- West Virginia Business Registration Certificate
- Annual food truck permit

Wisconsin

- Mobile food license
- Handwashing sink
- Cleaning supplies
- Driver's license

Wyoming

- Wyoming Food Service license or permit
- Inspections
- Liability insurance
- Fire inspection
- Food menu
- General business license