Requirements, Exceptions, and Restrictions

What is a Food Truck?
Any vehicle, trailer, cart, or other conveyance (whether under its own power or towed, pushed, or pulled by another vehicle, person, animal or device) from which ready to eat food or beverages are sold. *(Ice cream trucks are regulated separately as itinerant vendors.)*

Requirements

1. Fill out and return city license application *(attached)*.
2. Provide proof of a valid and current New Madrid County and/or Scott County health inspection certificate. *Note: The Counties do not accept each other’s inspection certificates, therefore you will need an inspection certificate for whichever county or counties in which you may be operating.*
3. Proof of insurance on each vehicle.
4. Food trucks must pass an annual City inspection per current applicable municipal codes and fire codes prior to issuance of license. *All licenses issued shall expire on June 30th of each year.*
5. Licensees shall post conspicuously in or on the licensed vehicle, trailer, cart, or other conveyance a copy of their license.

Fees

1. License fee shall be twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per year per vehicle, trailer, cart or conveyance.
2. An inspection fee shall be twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per year per vehicle, trailer, cart or conveyance.

Where can you operate a food truck?

1. On private property, with property owner permission, in non-residential zoning districts.
2. In City parks, with the following conditions:
   a. Food trucks may only locate in parking lots, not on street, within the park.
   b. Any use of a park by a food truck operator shall be a non-exclusive use, and use of any particular location shall be on a first come, first serve basis.
   c. A food truck may only operate in a particular park up to 4 hours per day and no more than 4 days per week, and food trucks may not be parked overnight in city park unless part of an approved event.
   d. Food trucks may not operate in the following parks except during approved events with permission from the Parks and Recreation Department:
      
      573-475-3725
      
      i. Legion Park,
      
      ii. Veterans Park,
      
      iii. Clinton Building parking lots.
   e. Food trucks may not operate in the following parks during the following events, unless granted written permission from the Parks and Recreation Department:
      
      573-475-3725
      
      i. VFW Field during any baseball games.
      
      ii. The Sports and Recreation Complex during any high school, recreational league or tournament baseball, softball, tee ball, football or soccer games.

*This document is a summary of the City Codes regarding food trucks.*

*Please see Chapter 655 of the City Code for full regulations by visiting.*

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