



## **CITY OF ANTIOCH MOBILE FOOD FACILITY FAQ**

- **What is a mobile food facility?**

A mobile food facility is any vehicle/cart used in conjunction with a commissary or other permanent food facility upon which food is sold or distributed on a retail level (**California Retail Food Code, Section 113831**).

- **How do I obtain a permit for my mobile food facility?**

To obtain a permit for your mobile food facility, you will need to contact the Contra Costa Environmental Health office which is located at:

**2120 Diamond Blvd, Ste 100**

**Concord, CA 94520**

**(925) 608-5500**

**Email: [RetailFood@cchealth.org](mailto:RetailFood@cchealth.org)**

**Website: [www.cchealth.org/eh](http://www.cchealth.org/eh)**

Their **mobile food facility application** can be found at:

<https://cchealth.org/eh/food/pdf/MFF-app-packet.pdf> (English)

<https://cchealth.org/eh/food/pdf/MFF-app-packet-es.pdf> (Spanish)

Answers to frequently asked questions regarding **Contra Costa County regulations and a checklist** can be found at:

<https://cchealth.org/eh/food/faq-mobile-food.php>

[https://cchealth.org/eh/food/pdf/mobile\\_food\\_checklist.pdf](https://cchealth.org/eh/food/pdf/mobile_food_checklist.pdf)

- **If I get a county permit, do I still need a City of Antioch business license?**

**Yes!** Any mobile food facility that sells food in the City of Antioch or has their business office in Antioch needs to obtain a City of Antioch Business License. The **Business License Department** can be reached at 925-779-7059. Applications can be found at:

<https://www.antiochca.gov/finance-department/business-license/business-license-applications/>

If you are a resident of Antioch, and **do not have a commercial office, you will need to apply for a home-based business license.**

- **Now that I have a county permit and a City of Antioch business license, where can I sell food in the city?**

If you want to sell food on any street or sidewalk within the City of Antioch, the **municipal code restricts you to 10 minutes** at any one location provided you are not impeding the flow of vehicle or pedestrian traffic. Full requirements are on the next page. If you want to **sell food from a private parking lot, you will need to obtain an administrative use permit** from the **Planning Department** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. The **Planning department** can be reached at 925-779-7035 or via email at [planning@antiochca.gov](mailto:planning@antiochca.gov)

- **4-5.1217 UNLAWFUL PARKING; PEDDLERS; VENDORS**

- (A) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no person shall stand or park any vehicle, wagon, or pushcart from which goods, wares, merchandise, fruits, vegetables, or foodstuffs are sold, displayed, solicited, or offered for sale or bartered or exchanged, or any lunch wagon or eating cart or vehicle on any portion of any street within the city, except that such vehicles, wagons, or pushcarts may stand or park only at the request of a bona fide purchaser for a period of time not to exceed 10 minutes at any one place. The provisions of this division shall not apply to persons delivering such articles upon an order of, or by agreement with, a customer from a store or other fixed place of business or distribution.
- (B) No person shall park or stand on any street, any lunch wagon, eating cart or vehicle, or pushcart from which tamales, peanuts, popcorn, candy, ice cream, or other articles of food are sold or offered for sale without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the City Traffic Engineer, which permit shall designate the specific location in which such cart shall stand.
- (C) No person shall park or stand any vehicle or wagon used, or intended to be used, in the transportation of property for hire on any street while awaiting patronage for such vehicle or wagon without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the City Traffic Engineer, which permit shall designate the specific location where such vehicle may stand.
- (D) Whenever any permit is granted under the provisions of this section, and a particular location to park or stand is specified therein, no person shall park or stand any vehicle, wagon, or pushcart on any location other than as designated in such permit. In the event the holder of any such permit is convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction for violating any of the provisions of this section, such permit shall be forthwith revoked by the City Traffic Engineer upon the filing of the record of such conviction with such officer, and no permit shall thereafter be issued to such person until six months have elapsed after the date of such revocation.

**('66 Code, 4.5.1217) (Ord. 317-C-S, passed 6-10-76) Penalty, see 4.5.1601**

- **4-5.1217.1 UNLAWFUL PEDDLING AND VENDING NEAR SCHOOL SITES**

- (A) Findings. The City Council finds that public and private school sites experience significant traffic congestion at opening and closing times as parents drop off and pick up their children for school. The City Council further finds that the parking of vending trucks exacerbates traffic problems, blocks sidewalks, and creates safety issues for children trying to access the peddlers and vendors. This section is therefore necessary to protect health and safety.
- (B) Prohibited. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle, cart, trailer or stand, or other device, on any street, alley, parkway, or public sidewalk for the purpose of distributing or selling food, services, or merchandise within 300 feet of the property line of any public or private school within the 30 minutes prior to classes convening and within 30 minutes after classes end for the day.
- (C) Exception. The above prohibition shall not apply to any vendor or peddler who has received written consent of the school principal or other authorized school official to park, stop or stand for the purpose of vending when such authorization does not interfere with public vehicle traffic or pose a traffic safety hazard to school children. Any such written authorization shall be kept and maintained with the vendor at all times for inspection.

**(Ord. 1001-C-S, passed 11-26-02) Penalty, see 4.5.1601**