



COVID-19 FLEX STREETS

Mobile Food Vending Permit

Food Trucks, Trailers, and
Sidewalk Vendors



To vend food or non-alcoholic beverages from the public right-of-way, private or city owned property you must have a City of Oakland Mobile Food Vending Permit. Applications available at :

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/food-and-mobile-vending-permits>

A vendor is a person who sells food or non-alcoholic beverages on the public right-of-way, private or city owned property from a food truck, trailer, pushcart, stationary cart or other equipment allowed by the Alameda County Environmental Health Department.

There are two types of vendors:

Roaming Vendor moves from place to place and stops only to make a sale.

Stationary Vendor sells from a fixed location e.g. public right-of-way, private or city owned property.

Where can I vend?

Roaming Vendors that comply with *sidewalk clearances*, *buffer distances* and *special permissions** may sell in commercial and industrial zones. Permitted Roaming Sidewalk vendors may vend throughout the city.

Stationary Vendors that comply with *sidewalk clearances*, *buffer distances* and *special permissions** may sell on private or city owned property within a commercial or industrial zone. Vendors must meet Health Department and City requirements before vending.

All Vendors are responsible for complying with any and all parking laws e.g. paying meters, red, yellow, and green zone requirements.

More Details?

Visit our website for applications, and **A copy of the City's Emergency Order**
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/food-and-mobile-vending-permits>

* Sidewalk Clearances

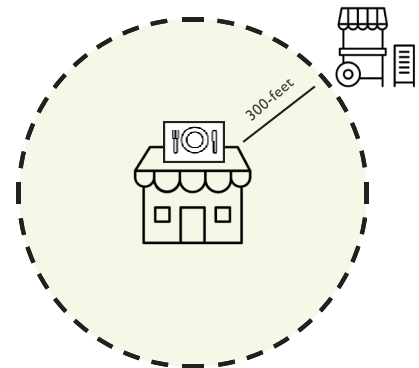
- The vending facilities must maintain a 6-foot minimum clear path of travel along the sidewalk. See the [City Administrator Emergency Order on the Flex Streets Initiative](#) for additional clearance requirements, such as distances from bus stops, fire hydrants, curb ramps, building entrances and others.

* Special Permissions

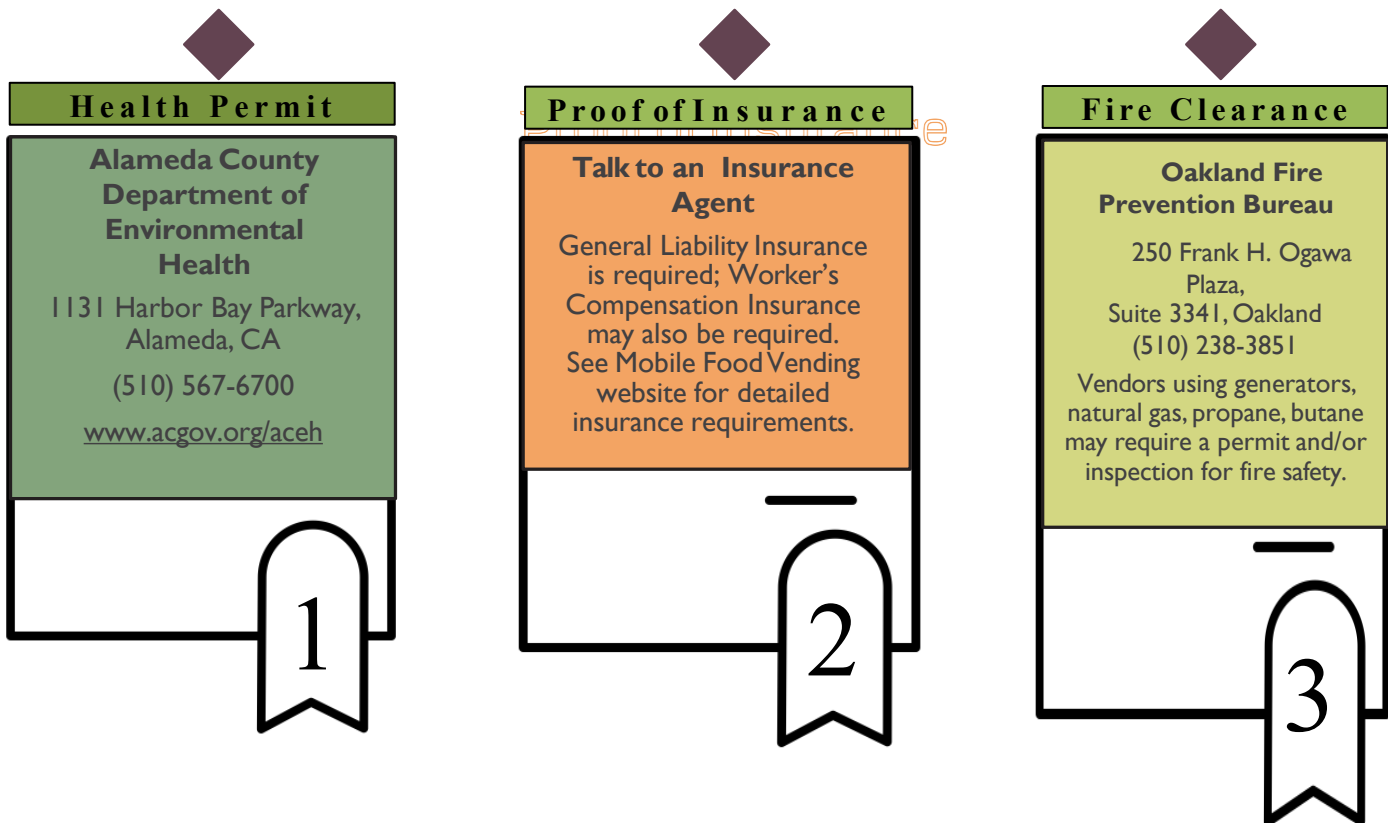
- **Parks:** To vend in City of Oakland parks, vendors must also get permission from the City of Oakland Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Development.
666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland
(510) 238-3420
- **Schools:** Vending within 300 feet of any school is only allowed if a waiver is granted by the school's Supervising Entity to sell healthy food.

* Buffer Distances

- Mobile Food Vending is not allowed within:
 - 300 Feet of any other Mobile Food Vendor
 - 100 Feet from other sidewalk Vendors
 - 300 Feet of a Restaurant or Café
 - 300 Feet of Schools
 - 300 Feet of a Farmer's Market, Flea Market, or other Special Event (like "First Friday" or "Off the Grid")
 - See Mobile Food Vending Website for Details



Get these before you apply for your Mobile Food Vending Permit!



Apply for your City of Oakland Mobile Food Vending Permit with the Special Activity Permits Division

Questions & Applications

City of Oakland
Special Activity
Permits Division

CALL 510-238-2273

EMAIL Mobilefoodvending@oaklandca.gov

WEB For more information:
bit.ly/OaklandMobileFood

Resources

- **Questions about getting a health permit?**
- Alameda County Department of Environmental Health hosts a **FREE** informational workshop at their offices in Alameda. Call for more information (510) 567-6700
- **Business Assistance Center**
Free help and referrals for small business owners and entrepreneurs located in Oakland:
270 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland
(510) 238-7398
bit.ly/OaklandBAC
- To report unpermitted vending, contact Municipal Code Enforcement Officers:
(510) 238-2273 or
MobileFoodVending@oaklandca.gov

Keep in mind...

- Mobile Food Vending Permits are free during the City Administrator Emergency Order. More information go to the mobile food vending website below.
- The **regular permitted hours for sidewalk vendors** are 7 am to 10 pm daily. Late night vending may be allowed if adjacent businesses are open late.
- The **regular permitted hours for all other vendors** are 7 am to 10 pm daily. Vendors may apply for late night vending.
- **You will also need a business license!** You can obtain a license after you receive your Mobile Food Vending Permit. Contact the Business Tax Office for more information:
250 Frank H Ogawa Plaza,
Suite 1320, Oakland, CA
(510) 238-3704

Check our website and sign up for email updates to find out about the City Administrators Emergency Order
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/food-and-mobile-vending-permits>