

Article 3 Food Trucks

§ 6-5-9. Defined.

Food Truck means a licensed, readily movable motorized wheeled vehicle or trailer, which is temporarily stored on a premise where food items are sold to the general public. Included in the definition are vehicles & equipment defined as "Mobile Food Service Unit" and/or Extended Food Service Unit contained and amended in Rules of Department of Human Resources Public Health Chapter 290-5-14 Food Service.

§ 6-5-10. Business Tax Certificate Required.

- a) The Food Truck vendor must obtain an annual Business Tax Certificate. During the Food Truck's hours of operation, the vendor shall display the current Business Tax Certificate (business license) and Richmond County Health Department issued Georgia Department of Public Health Mobile Food Service Permit, and must have in the truck written authorization from the property owner for food vending.
- b) Prior to a Business License being issued the Food Truck vendor shall be approved by the Richmond County Health Department or the Georgia Department of Agriculture if selling commercially packaged food.
- c) The Augusta Fire Department will inspect for compliance with the NFPA 96 Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations 2004 Edition prior to a Business License being issued.

§ 6-5-11. Location Requirements

* Location: Food Trucks shall locate on privately owned lots zoned B-1, B-2, LI, or HI with all-weather surface (or gravel) parking areas, accessible by emergency vehicles, and having at least ten (10) legally designated parking spaces, subject to the approval of the property owner and subject to the following;

- a) the Food Truck shall be positioned at least 50 (fifty) feet from the customer entrance of an existing restaurant during its hours of operation;
- b) the Food Truck shall be positioned on designated parking spaces and shall not block drive aisles, other access to loading/service areas, or emergency access and fire lanes;
- c) no Food Truck shall be located within a building setback or landscape buffer;
- d) the Food Truck must be positioned at least 15' away from fire hydrants, driveway entrances, alleys, handicapped parking spaces, tree trunks, and vegetation;
- e) Food Trucks shall not be located within 100 feet of gas pumps, underground gas storage tanks and vent pipes;
- f) Food Trucks may not be located in any portion of a parking lot when and where such location would prevent the use of parking spaces during the regular hours of operation of the primary business on the lot, or otherwise interfere in a significant way with the movement of motor vehicles;
- g) cooking off the vehicle with a grill is prohibited;
- h) no seating shall be provided; high-top tables are allowed.
- i) permitted tents, and vehicle mounted roll-out awnings are allowed, and;
- j) vehicle must vacate premises and return to base of operation daily.