



# FACT SHEET: FOOD TRUCKS



## Food Permit

- Food trucks are mobile food operations under the food code.
- Mobile food operations must be associated with a fixed, licensed food establishment to which it returns daily.
- Mobile food operations shall be inspected and approved as organized and equipped consistent with the food code.
- Apply for a food permit in ISD, Room 401.

## Food Truck License

- To operate a food truck within city limits you must be licensed by the Licensing Committee.
- You must submit proof of a valid food permit, and any necessary permits from the Fire Dept, as part of the license application process.
- Applicants must identify the host parcel from which they will operate. Food trucks are not permitted to operate on public property.
- Apply for a license in the City Clerk's Office, Room 201.

## Special Permit

- The City Council must approve use of private property as a food truck host site.
- Approval may be obtained for parcels located in business zones, including B-3, BSBD, CBD, and industrial and all waterfront zones.
- Food trucks are not permitted to operate on parcels in residential zones.
- Apply for a special permit in the City Clerk's Office, Room 201.

A food permit, license and special use permit are ALL required to lawfully operate within Lynn

Operating means selling food directly to the public

A licensed food establishment may serve as a host establishment for service and supplies of a truck which operates in other communities. ISD will inspect and permit such trucks as their base community upon application and request.

**\*\*Food trucks may cater private events in residential zones without a food truck license or special permit so long as no direct public sales occur (Catering permit required)\*\***