

Ice Cream Push Cart

To obtain a permit to operate an Ice Cream Push Cart, you must have a vehicle that is inspected and permitted by the Kern County Environmental Health Division.

Items which may be sold from an Ice Cream Push Cart include:
Prepackaged ice cream, prepackaged snack foods, prepackaged candy,
prepackaged soft drinks, and bottled water.



**Kern County Public Health
Environmental Health Division**
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To obtain a health permit to operate an Ice Cream Push Cart, you must meet the requirements listed below:

1. Facility/business name, city, state, ZIP code, and permittee name (if different than the name of the facility/business) must be clearly visible on the Push Cart. The color of the letters must contrast with the color of the Push Cart. The facility/business information must be displayed as follows:

Facility/Business Name	(written at least 3 inches high)
City, State, Zip Code	(written at least 1 inch high)
Permittee Name, if applicable	(written at least 1 inch high)

To obtain your permit, bring the Push Cart and the following to Kern County Environmental Health:



1. Completed Application
2. Complete List of Food Items to be sold
3. Completed Commissary Authorization



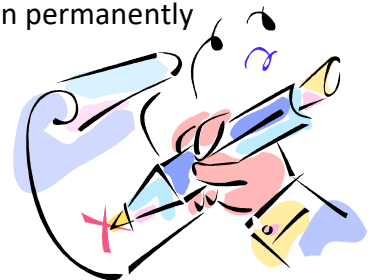
- The Push Cart must use an approved commissary. The Push Cart must go to the commissary at least once a day to get food, to be cleaned, and to store ice cream and other prepackaged food items.
- The **owner** of the commissary must sign the commissary form on the correct signature line and initial the boxes indicating which services are provided. Incomplete commissary forms will **NOT** be accepted.
- **NOTE:** Any facility acting as a commissary for a mobile vehicle must have a commissary permit with our division. Contact our office to verify whether your commissary has an approved commissary permit.
- If your commissary is located outside of Kern County, an Out-of-County Commissary Form is required. Commissaries located outside of Kern County must be within one hour driving distance of planned operation.



4. Photo ID of applicant and/or DMV Registration of unit.

5. Completed Restroom Authorization

- The Mobile Unit may not remain stopped for longer than one hour unless the Mobile Unit operates within 200 feet of an approved and readily available toilet and hand washing facility (for employee use, only).
- The restroom must be equipped with hot water, soap, and paper towels in permanently mounted dispensers.
 - The use of restrooms in a personal residence is PROHIBITED!
 - Portable toilets are NOT authorized.



ALL FORMS MUST HAVE ORIGINAL OWNER SIGNATURE

OR YOUR PERMIT WILL BE DENIED.

PHOTOCOPIED SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED



The Operator of the Ice Cream Push Cart must adhere to the following requirements:

1. Only prepackaged ice cream, prepackaged snack foods, prepackaged candy, prepackaged soft drinks, and bottled water may be sold. **FOOD PREPARATION OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING CUT FRUIT, IS PROHIBITED!**
2. All food must be from an approved source. No food products may be stored at your home or other unapproved location.
3. All equipment, cabinets, and compartments must be smooth, readily accessible, and easily cleanable.
4. Equipment must be constructed of non-toxic materials. Wood is not allowed.
5. Food and the food storage area must be protected from contamination.
6. The Push Cart must be cleaned and sanitized daily.
7. Only food may be sold from the Push Cart. The sale of cigarettes, toys, and fireworks is **PROHIBITED!**
8. The Push Cart may only operate from 9:00 a.m. to sunset.
9. The Push Cart may not operate Monday through Friday within 150 feet of any county school.
10. The Push Cart may not operate (in the City of Bakersfield) within 300 feet of any public facility, park*, school, or playground.
11. The Push Cart may not remain stopped for longer than 10 minutes.



Required Fees

- The Push Cart must be inspected and the health permit application approved prior to the selling of food. Permittees are required to pay an application fee and a health permit fee at the time of inspection. Please see current fee schedule for current Application and Permit Fees.
- Health permits are valid from July 1st through June 30th of the following year. A full permit fee is required for permits obtained between July 1st and December 31st. A prorated permit fee is granted for permits obtained between January 1st and June 30th. A permit renewal packet will be mailed to the Operator prior to June 30th and must be renewed prior to July 31st to avoid a 50% penalty.



Additional Permits/Licenses

In addition to obtaining an Environmental Health Permit, the Push Cart Operator may need to obtain one or more of the following:

- A city and/or county business license
- *A Bakersfield City Parks Permit, if the Push Cart will operate within a city park

It is the responsibility of the Operator to ensure that operation of the Push Cart is in compliance with additional city, county, and/or state ordinances and/or regulations. Check with the appropriate city in which the Push Cart will operate.

SEE ATTACHED LIST FOR AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION BELOW

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

Environmental Health Division of Public Health Services Department
 2700 "M" Street, Suite 300, Bakersfield, CA 93301
 661-862-8740
 661-862-8701(fax)

<input type="checkbox"/> New Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Ownership Change Date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Information Change Date: _____	
Type of Ownership: <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			
Check all that apply:	<input type="checkbox"/> Food Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Hotel/Motel: Total Number of Rooms _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Food Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissary
	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Food Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Wading Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Water System-Food Facility
	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Event Sponsor	<input type="checkbox"/> Spa Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Tobacco Retailer: BOE# _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Owner Name:					
Owner Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Home Phone: ()	Business Phone: ()	Fax:			
Partner(s)/Corp					
Care Of:			E-Mail Address:		
Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	

FACILITY/BUSINESS INFORMATION

Facility Name (DBA):					
Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Phone: ()	Alternate phone: ()	Fax: ()			
Care Of:			E-Mail Address:		
Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Water Provider					

BILLING INFORMATION

Mailing Address for invoice to renew annual permit: Business Mailing Address Owner Address Other
 If you checked other, what is the address? _____
 Care of: _____

Approval of this application and issuance of an Environmental Health Permit is required before commencing operation. Failure to obtain both may result in a misdemeanor citation and/or closure. The undersigned applicant agrees to operate in accordance with all applicable state laws and local ordinances.

Signature of Applicant

Print Name

Date

PERMIT(S) AND FEE(S) ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE. PERMIT FEE(S) MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH PERMIT APPLICATION.

TOBACCO RETAIL TRAINING

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

	Program ID	PE	Date Mailed	Facility ID
	Previous Owner ID	New Owner ID	Map #	Service Request #
	Total Fees Paid	Received By	Date Paid	Accounting ID

**MOBILE FOOD FACILITY
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PERMIT APPLICATION (Part 2)**

Choose One Facility From The List Below And Complete Corresponding Forms					
Type of Facility	Ice Cream Push Cart	Produce Vehicle	Ice Cream Truck/Prepackaged Vehicle	Hotdog/Churro/Coffee Cart/Shaved Ice	Mobile Food Preparation Unit
Additional forms to complete with application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Commissary Authorization 2. Photo ID/Driver license 3. Out-of-County Commissary Authorization- <i>if applicable</i> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DMV Registration 2. Photo ID/Driver license 3. Commissary Authorization 4. Commissary/Out-of-County Authorization form, <i>if applicable</i> 5. Restroom Authorization 6. Itinerary 7. Menu 8. <i>Seller's Permit, if selling at Swap Meet.</i> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DMV Registration 2. Photo ID/Driver license 3. Commissary Authorization 4. Out-of-County Commissary Authorization, if applicable 5. Itinerary 6. Menu 7. California State Insignia 8. Milk and Dairy Certification from California Department of Food and Agriculture—<i>if applicable</i> 9. Seller's Permit/Fictitious Title 10. Food Safety Manager certification and Food Handler Cards, <i>if applicable</i> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DMV Registration 2. Photo ID/Driver license 3. Commissary Authorization 4. Out-of-County Commissary Authorization, <i>if applicable</i> 5. Restroom Authorization 6. Itinerary 7. Menu 8. Food Safety Manager Certification (One for each permit) and Food Handler Cards for employees 9. Seller's Permit/Fictitious Title 10. California State Insignia (<i>not applicable for carts</i>) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DMV Registration 2. Photo ID/Driver license 3. Commissary Authorization 4. Out-of-County Commissary Authorization, <i>if applicable</i> 5. Restroom Authorization 6. Itinerary 7. Menu 8. Food Safety Manager Certification (One for each permit) and Food Handler Cards for employees 9. California State Insignia 10. Seller's Permit/Fictitious Title 11. Fire Inspection

Vehicle Information	<i>Vehicle Make, Model & Yr.</i>	<i>State of License</i>	<i>Vehicle License Number</i>
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Food Safety Manager Certification	<i>Name of Exam</i>	<i>Certificate Number</i>	<i>Date of Exam</i>
	<i>NOT APPLICABLE</i>		<i>Expiration Date</i>

I hereby state, under the penalty of perjury, that the above information is current and true to the best of my knowledge and agree to operate in accordance with the California Health and Safety Code (Division 104, Part 7, Chapter 4).

Signature of Applicant

Print Name

Date



COMMISSARY LETTER OF AGREEMENT

THIS FORM MUST BE RENEWED/SUBMITTED ANNUALLY

Sections 114295, 114339, and 114341 of the California Retail Food Code require that all Mobile Food Facilities and Annual Temporary Food Facilities operate in conjunction with a commissary, mobile support unit or other facility approved by the local regulatory agency.

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MOBILE FOOD FACILITY OWNER

Mobile Food Facility Name _____ FA ID: _____

Facility Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Owner Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ License Plate: _____

Signature

Print Name

Date

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COMMISSARY OWNER

I hereby grant permission for the food facility mentioned above to utilize my health-regulated business (listed below) as a commissary for their mobile food facility. The services governed by Section 114326 of the California Retail Food Code provided for the aforementioned Mobile Food Facility are indicated by my initials below.

Full Commissary OR **Food Preparation ONLY** (Wastewater only Commissary must also be signed)

Commissary Facility Name: _____ FA ID: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Signature

Print Name

Date

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COMMISSARY OWNER

I hereby grant permission for the food facility mentioned above to utilize my health-regulated business (listed below) as a commissary for their mobile food facility. The services governed by Section 114326 of the California Retail Food Code provided for the aforementioned Mobile Food Facility are indicated by my initials below.

Wastewater ONLY (Food Preparation Only Commissary must also be signed)

Commissary Facility Name: _____ FA ID: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Signature

Print Name

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY – VERIFICATION OF COMMISSARY

INSPECTOR SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____





AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF RESTROOM FACILITIES

Mobile food facilities shall be operated within 200 feet travel distance of an approved and readily available toilet and hand washing facility to ensure that restroom facilities are available to facility employees whenever the mobile food facility is stopped to conduct business for more than a **one-hour period** (Section 114315(a)).

TO BE COMPLETED BY MOBILE FOOD FACILITY OWNER

MOBILE FOOD FACILITY NAME	MOBILE FOOD FACILITY ADDRESS
OWNER NAME	OWNER ADDRESS
OWNER PHONE NUMBER	BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER
OWNER EMAIL	
HOURS OF OPERATION	DAYS OF OPERATION

I, _____, owner of the mobile food facility business, declare under penalty of perjury the following: this restroom facility is available for use by myself and my employees. I understand and certify that the restroom has warm water, is maintained clean and sanitary, is stocked with paper towels and liquid hand soap, and shall be so at all times. I further agree to notify Kern County Environmental Health immediately if this agreement is terminated for any reason. I certify that this restroom facility is within a travel distance of ____ feet from my mobile food facility.

TO BE COMPLETED BY RESTROOM FACILITY OWNER

BUSINESS NAME	FACILITY ID (IF APPLICABLE)	
RESTROOM ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL	
SIGNEE NAME	SIGNEE ROLE IN BUSINESS	

I, _____, manager/owner of the restroom facility located at the address listed above, certify under penalty of perjury the following: I have granted fill permission to the above mentioned mobile food facility owner and employees to use my restroom facility during the mobile food facility hours of operation. I understand and certify that the restroom has warm water, is maintained clean and sanitary, is stocked with paper towels and liquid hand soap, and shall be maintained in this condition at all times. I agree to notify Kern County Environmental Health if this agreement is terminated for any reason.

The mobile food facility specified/named above will relocate at least every one hour and is exempt from restroom authorization requirement.

Signature of **Restroom Facility Owner** Print Name Date

Signature of **Mobile Food Facility Owner** Print Name Date





MOBILE FOOD ITINERARY AND OPERATING SCHEDULE

IMPORTANT: We must be able to contact you to inspect your vehicle. Please contact this Department if any of the information below should change. Failure to provide accurate information may result in permit suspension.

Name of Mobile Food Business:	
Vehicle License Plate Number:	
Mobile Food Vehicle Contact Cell Phone Number:	

Check one of the following boxes:

NOTE: You must obtain the proper business license for **each** location and adhere to the appropriate City and/or County ordinances. Failure to do so may result in fines/penalties not regulated by this department.

<input type="checkbox"/>	I plan to operate in one location. The address where I will operate is: _____ Complete information (days/times of operation) on next page
<input type="checkbox"/>	I plan to operate at many locations or on a route. Complete information (days/times of operation) on next page

I, the owner/permittee of the Mobile Food Facility noted above, agree to adhere to the following itinerary. I will contact Kern County Public Health Services Department, Environmental Health Division if my itinerary should change. I understand that if I am found to be operating in a location not approved by this department, my Environmental Health Permit will be revoked and I must stop operating until I submit an approved itinerary with corresponding restroom authorization(s).

Signature of Ice Cream Truck Owner/Permittee
Firma de Propietario/Titular de Camion de Helados de
Alimento Móvil

Print Name
Letra de Molde

Date
Fecha

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Public Health

Brynn Carrigan - DIRECTOR
Kristopher Lyon, MD - HEALTH OFFICER



Facility Name (Nombre de Instalación): Facility Address (Dirección de Instalación):
Prepackaged Foods (Check all that apply) Alimentos Pre-enpaquetados (Marque todos los que aplican):
Prepackaged Drinks (Check all that apply) Bebidas Pre-enpaquetadas (Marque todos los que aplican):

*The sale of soft serve ice cream from an Ice Cream Truck requires a hand washing station with hot water that maintains 100 °F during hours of operation. (La venta de helado blando de un Camión de Helados requiere una estación de lavado de manos con agua caliente que mantiene 100 ° F durante horas de operación).

I, the owner/permittee of the Ice Cream Truck noted above, agree to adhere to the above menu. I will contact Kern County Public Health Services Department, Environmental Health Division if my menu should change. I understand that if I am found to be operating non-approved equipment and/or am serving food not approved by this department, my Environmental Health Permit will be revoked and I must stop operating until permission to continue operation by this department is received.

Signature of Ice Cream Truck Owner/Permittee
Firma de Propietario/Titular de Camión de Helados

Print Name
Letra de Molde

Date
Fecha



Agency Contact List

(Lista de contactos de agencias)

City of Bakersfield	COUNTY	STATE	Federal
City Business License 1600 Truxtun Ave (661) 326-3762 www.ci.bakersfield.ca.us	County Clerk-Fictitious Names 1115 Truxtun Ave (661) 868-3588 www.co.kern.ca.us	Department of Community Housing & Development 3737 Main St., Suite 400 Riverside, CA 92501 (951) 782-4420 www.hcd.ca.gov	Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number 4825 Coffee Rd (800) 829-1040
City Planning Department/Zoning 1715 Chester Ave (661) 326-3733 www.ci.bakersfield.ca.us	County Business License 1350 Norris Rd., Unit B (661) 391-7690 www.co.kern.ca.us	Tax and Fee Administration 1800 30 th St, Suite 380 (3 rd Flr) (661) 395-2881 www.boe.ca.gov	
Recreation & Parks Department City Parks Permit 1600 Truxtun Ave (661) 326-3866	County Planning Department Zoning Approval 2700 M. St. (661) 862-8600 pcd.kerndsa.com	Department of Motor Vehicles 3120 F St. (800) 777-0133 www.dmv.ca.gov	
	County Fire Department Fire Prevention Unit 5642 Victor St. (661) 391-7080	Department of Food and Agriculture Milk and Dairy Foods Control Branch (916) 900-5008 www.cdffa.ca.gov	
	Kern County Department of Agriculture & Measurements Standards 1001 So. Mt. Vernon Ave (661) 868-6300 www.kernag.com	Department Of Public Health Food and Drug Branch Processed Food Registration P.O. Box 997435, MS 7602 Sacramento, CA 95899-7435 (916) 650-6500 http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/pages/FDB%20processedfoods.aspx	

Outlying City Business Licenses and Zoning Requirements

City of Arvin Business License/Zoning 200 Campus Dr. (661) 854-3134	City of Ridgecrest Business License 100 W. California (760) 499-5026	City of Taft Business License 209 E. Kern County (661) 763-1350	City of Wasco Business License/Zoning 764 E. St. (661) 758-7231
City of Delano Business License/Zoning 1015 11 th Ave (661) 720-2265	City of Shafter Business License/Zoning 336 Pacific Ave (661) 746-5001	City of Tehachapi Business License/Zoning 115 S. Robinson (661) 822-2200	City of Maricopa Business License/Zoning 400 California St (661) 769-8279
City of California City Business License/Zoning 21000 Hacienda Blvd (760) 373-8661	City of McFarland Business License/Zoning 401 W. Kern Ave. (661) 792-3091		

California Health and Safety Code
Division 104 – Environmental Health
Part 7. California Retail Food Code
Effective January 1, 2016

CHAPTER 10. Mobile Food Facilities

114294.

- (a) All mobile food facilities and mobile support units shall meet the applicable requirements in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 113700) to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 114250), inclusive, Chapter 12.6 (commencing with Section 114377), and Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 114380), unless specifically exempted from any of these provisions as provided in this chapter.
- (b) The enforcement agency shall initially approve all mobile food facilities and mobile support units as complying with the provisions of this chapter and may require re-approval if deemed necessary.
- (c) Each mobile food facility that is either a special purpose commercial modular and coach as defined by Section 18012.5 or a commercial modular coach as defined by Section 18001.8 shall be certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development, consistent with Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 18025) of Part 2 of Division 13, and regulations promulgated pursuant to that chapter. In addition, the enforcement agency shall approve all equipment installation prior to operation.

114295.

- (a) Except as specified in subdivision (b), all mobile food facilities shall operate in conjunction with a commissary, mobile support unit, or other facility approved by the enforcement agency.
- (b) This section does not apply to mobile food facilities that operate at community events as defined in Section 113755 and that remain in a fixed position during food preparation and its hours of operation, if potable water and liquid waste disposal facilities are available to mobile food facilities requiring potable water.

114297.

- (a) Mobile food facilities shall be cleaned and serviced at least once daily during an operating day.
- (b) Except as specified in subdivision (c), all mobile food facilities shall report to the commissary or other approved facility on a daily basis.

114299.

- (a) Except as specified in subdivision (c), the business name or name of the operator, city, state, ZIP Code, and name of the permittee, if different from the name of the food facility, shall be legible, clearly visible to consumers, and permanently affixed on the consumer side of the mobile food facility and on a mobile support unit.
- (b) The business name shall be in letters at least 3 inches high. Letters and numbers for the city, state, and ZIP Code shall not be less than one inch high. The color of each letter and number shall contrast with its background.
- (c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), motorized mobile food facilities and mobile support units shall have the required identification on two sides.

114305.

- (a) During operation, no food intended for retail shall be conveyed, held, stored, displayed, or served from any place other than a mobile food facility, except for the restocking of product in a manner approved by the enforcement agency.

114315.

- (a) A food facility shall be operated within 200 feet travel distance of an approved and readily available toilet and handwashing facility, or as otherwise approved by the enforcement agency, to ensure that restroom facilities are available to facility employees whenever the mobile food facility is stopped to conduct business for more than a one-hour period.
- (b) This section does not limit the authority of a local governing body to adopt, by ordinance or resolution, additional requirements for the public safety, including reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions pursuant to its authority under subdivision (b) of Section 22455 of the Vehicle Code.

114317. The exterior of a mobile food facility and the surrounding area, as relating to the operation of food service, shall be maintained in a sanitary condition.