



Mobile Food Vehicle Parking

What is a Mobile Food Vehicle?

A Mobile Food Vehicle, or a food truck, is a self contained food establishment that is either motorized or trailerable. Mobile Food Vehicles are not food carts. A food cart must meet certain size requirements and must be able to be self propelled by one person traveling on foot. Contact Health & Inspections for more information on food carts.

Where can I operate my Mobile Food Vehicle?

Mobile Food Vehicles may be parked on public streets or on private property as long as they comply with [parking](#) and [zoning](#) ordinances. The following rules apply:

- Mobile Food Vehicles may park on any city street but must follow all normal parking regulations and posted signage.
- The Police Department may require a vendor to relocate if operation results in a crowd that hinders free passage on any sidewalk or street.
- Mobile Food Vehicles must be parked within the lines of parking stalls
- Parking meters must be paid from 8 AM to 6 PM except for Saturday, Sunday and St. Cloud City holidays
- Mobile Food Vehicles must face the same direction as traffic
- Mobile Food Vehicles must not be parked within 30 feet of a stop sign or traffic control device, 20 feet of a crosswalk, 10 feet of a fire hydrant or 50 feet of a railroad crossing
- Mobile Food Vehicles parked in time limited zones cannot remain on the same block (either side) beyond the permitted parking time
- Mobile Food Vehicles cannot remain parked on any city block for longer than 24 hours
- Mobile Food Vehicles cannot be parked in a handicap stall, taxi stall, bus stop, loading zone, or posted no parking zone
- Mobile Food Vehicles cannot block a sidewalk if parked in a driveway area



Dates to Remember

- Licenses are due 30 days prior to the first date of operation

Can I park my Mobile Food Vehicle in a municipal parking lot?

Parking may be allowed in a municipal parking lot but must be reviewed and approved by the Engineering Department prior to operation. Contact Engineering at (320)255-7249.

Central Business District

Many Mobile Food Vehicle operators choose to operate in the Central Business District. Mobile Food Vehicles that operate within the Central Business District must pay an additional licensing fee (\$200) at the time of licensure.

Mobile Food Vehicle parking locations must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act such that vendor operations do not inhibit pedestrian access. Suitable Mobile Food Vehicle locations, within the Central Business District, have been identified and reviewed by the Engineering Department. Mobile Food Vehicles may only operate in those designated parking areas. Parking in this area is in high demand and operates on a 'first come first served' basis. Maps of the Central Business District highlighting the approved Mobile Food Vehicle parking areas are available [here](#) or by contacting the Health & Inspections Department.



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