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Mobile Food Preparation Vehicles (Food Trucks and Trailers)

PERMITS

Beginning in February 2021, mobile food vehicles equipped with appliances that produce smoke or grease laden vapors operating in Kitsap County will need an operational permit issued by the Fire Marshal. Here are a few of the required submittal items you will need:

- Vehicle or trailer information,
- Details on appliances or hood systems,
- Floor plan showing appliance layout, hoods, electric panel, and cooking fuel tank locations,
- Copy of [Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Food Truck or Trailer Permit](#)
- Copy of [Kitsap County Health Permit](#)

What brought on this requirement?

Washington state amended the state fire code to regulate vehicles used for mobile food vending (including local permits). The new requirements became effective in Kitsap County of February 1, 2021.

What types of appliances produce smoke or grease laden vapors?

Most appliances that use heat, electric or gas to prepare food, including grills, flat tops, griddles, deep fat fryers, frying pans, woks, barbecues, solid fuel burning pizza ovens and similar equipment will produce smoke or grease laden vapors.

Do I need a hood above my cooking appliance?

If your cooking appliances produce smoke or grease laden vapors, a Type 1 hood with an automatic fire suppression system is required.

Are there limits to how much fuel I have for my cooking appliance?

Yes, propane (LP) is limited to 200 pounds and compressed natural gas (GNG) is limited to 1,300 pounds.

What about my cooking oil?

The maximum amount of cooking oil that can be carried on board is 120 gallons. The oil must be kept in listed containers that are secured to prevent tipping.

What if I want to be in a permanent location?

In addition to this permit for a vehicle, you will need to apply for a Temporary Building or Business Application through the Kitsap County Department of Community Development in unincorporated Kitsap County.

How long is my permit good for?

The permit is good for 12 months; every year, you will need to renew your permit.

Who can I contact if I have questions?

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