

# MOBILE FOOD VENDOR INFORMATIONAL PACKET



Whitemarsh Township Fire Marshal's Office





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Dear mobile food vendor applicant,

As of October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Whitemarsh Township enacted ordinance #1043. This ordinance pertains to mobile food vendors. A copy of the ordinance can be found [here](#).

Within this packet you will find information that you may find helpful regarding the mobile food vendor inspection and application process. Should you have any questions regarding the mobile food vendor ordinance, please contact our office.

Thank you,

Whitemarsh Township Fire Marshal's Office

# Whitemarsh Township Mobile Food Vendor Permit Application

Any mobile food vendor who wishes to operate in Whitemarsh Township must apply for a mobile food vendor permit. Once approved, permits are valid from January 1 to January 1 the following year. The Mobile food vendor applications can be picked up at the Whitemarsh Township Building or found on our website at this [hyperlink](#).

All mobile food vendors shall provide the following information on the application:

- Application Date
- Business Name
- Address
- Property Owner Name
- Property Owner Address
- Email
- Phone number
- Location Mobile Food Vendor will be operating at
- Description of Event
- Valid Montgomery County Department of Health Food License
- Valid Certificate of Insurance
- Documentation of inspection for the following:
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Suppression (Ansul System)-if applicable
- Exhaust Hoods-if applicable

- Check payable to Whitemarsh Township for \$75.00 (this covers the operational permit fee)
- Certification (signature of applicant, address, and phone)

# Whitemarsh Township Mobile Food Vendor Inspection checklist

Date of inspection \_\_\_\_\_

Name of food truck \_\_\_\_\_

Address of event \_\_\_\_\_

## **Safety and Access**

Permit obtained from Whitemarsh Township Y/N

Valid Montgomery County Department of Health Food License Y/N

Vehicle is not blocking fire hydrants & or Fire Department Connections Y/N

Vehicle is not blocking egress Y/N

Vehicle is at least 15' away from buildings and other vehicles Y/N

## **Cooking appliances**

If equipped with cooking equipment that produce grease-laden vapor shall be provided with a Type I kitchen exhaust hood Y/N

Type I cooking hoods shall be equipped with a suppression system that is inspected every six months Y/N

The cooking hood shall be cleaned every six months or more frequently depending on the use and grease accumulation Y/N

Equipped with a 2A (4lb) fire extinguisher that is inspected annually Y/N

Class K fire extinguisher inspected annually (if equipped with a Type 1 cooking hood) Y/N

Cooking oil containers shall have a maximum aggregate volume not more than 120 gallons and stored in such a way as to not be toppled or damaged during transport Y/N

If equipped with a cooking oil storage tank they shall be listed for their use Y/N

All cooking equipment is listed for commercial use Y/N

**Note: all deficiencies found during the inspection must be corrected prior to being able to operate. This checklist is in accordance with the 2018 IFC & applicable NFPA standards including NFPA 1 and NFPA 96 Chapter 17**

Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Party \_\_\_\_\_

# Definitions and applicable codes

## Definitions

### MOBILE FOOD VENDOR

A van, truck, towed trailer, or pushcart, in which food is prepared (and in which prepared foods are transported), sold, or given away at a temporary location, often referred to as a food truck.

### RESPONSIBLE PARTY

The person in control of, or having the responsibility for, the operation of a Mobile Food Vendor which may include, but is not limited to, the owner of the Mobile Food Vendor.

## Applicable Codes

The following codes are enforced for the mobile food vendor inspection:

- 2018 International Fire Code
- 2018 National Fire Protection Association 1 Fire Code
- 2018 National Fire Protection Association 96 Standard for ventilation control and fire protection of commercial cooking operations