Zoning and Regulation Information

Section 7-2-25 Mobile vending.

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- (a) Mobile vendors must obtain a Town mobile vending permit and a business license from the Town of Abingdon.
- (b) Mobile restaurants must maintain a valid health permit issued by the Virginia Department of Health.
- (c) No music shall be played that is audible outside of the vehicle unless a noise permit has been applied and approved from the Town of Abingdon.
- (d) Mobile vending vehicles shall not block:
- (1) The main entry drive isles or impact pedestrian or vehicular circulation overall;
- (2) Other access to loading areas; or
- (3) Emergency access and fire lanes; and
- (4) Must be positioned at least 15 feet away from fire hydrants, any fire department connection (FDC), driveway entrances, alleys, and handicapped parking spaces.
- (e) A mobile vendor may operate between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Sunday to Thursday and between 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday (including set up and break down) on any one day at any single location, except during national holidays and Town events during which a mobile vendor may operate between 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. midnight. The vehicle and all accessory structures shall be removed each day.
- (f) No signs may be displayed, except:
- (1) Those permanently affixed to the vehicle.

- (2) One A-framed sign not to exceed four feet in height and six square feet of display for each of the two sides; the sign cannot block any passageways.
- (g) Trash receptacles shall be provided, and all trash, refuse, or recyclables generated by the use shall be removed from the site by the operator at the end of the business day.
- (h) No liquid wastes shall be discharged from a mobile restaurant.
- (i) No mobile vendor shall locate within 100 feet of the entrance to a business that sells similar product (determined by measuring from the edge of the mobile vendor to the main public entrance of the brick-and-mortar establishment) unless permission by the owner of the brick-and-mortar establishment is provided.
- (j) No mobile vendor shall locate within 100 feet of a single-family or two-family residential use.
- (k) The operation of the mobile vendor or use of a generator should be no louder than 50 dBA at 100 feet away. Excessive complaints about vehicle or generator noise will be grounds for the Administrator to require that the mobile vendor change location on the site or move to another property.
- (I) Mobile vending shall occur within a movable licensed vehicle. Mobile vending cannot occur in a nonmotorized structure (detached flatbed, truck beds, tractor trailers, semitruck trailers or other structures).