



## MOBILE RESTAURANTS / FOOD TRUCKS

### Zoning Compliance Requirements / Supplemental Application

Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia

Mobile food unit ('food truck') owners who (1) intend to operate as stand-alone sellers of food and non-alcoholic beverages, (2) are not associated with one-time or short-term events and (3) cannot or wish not to abide by the Town of Rocky Mount peddler's license code requirements may apply for a **ZONING COMPLIANCE PERMIT** from the Town of Rocky Mount.

#### **RULES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION APPROVAL**

As they relate to zoning requirements and definitions, food trucks are interpreted by Town to be mobile brick-and-mortar restaurants and must possess a valid food permit (issued annually by the Virginia Department of Health) before receiving a Zoning Compliance Permit from the Town of Rocky Mount.

- Food trucks are limited to five pre-determined locations at which they may operate. Below, please list the owners' names and the physical addresses where your food truck will be located (up to five); **attach written permission from each property owner** to the Zoning Compliance application (540-483-0907):
  - Property #1: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Property #2: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Property #3: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Property #4: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Property #5: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_
- Anticipated days and hours of operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Please **attach a sketch of each site**, including an approximation of the placement of the truck in relation to the lot/street, parking, routes for ingress and egress, and any other anticipated features.
- Please provide proof of: (1) a Town **business license** and (2) a **valid food permit** from the Virginia Health Department stating that the mobile food unit meets all applicable standards.
- Food Trucks which are operating independently are only permitted in zoning districts where restaurants are allowed uses by right (C2, CBD, and GB).
- Zoning Compliance Permits for food trucks are good for one year from the date of issuance, unless otherwise indicated by the Zoning Administrator. A Zoning Compliance Permit may be revoked by the zoning administrator at any time, due to the failure of the permit holder to comply with all requirements listed herein.
- A 100-ft buffer must be maintained between a Mobile Food Unit and any residential use.
- A 100-ft buffer must be maintained between a Mobile Food Unit and all brick-and-mortar restaurants.
- No customer seating is permitted (without zoning administrator approval); if space is available, one (1) covered table is permitted to provide condiments to patrons.
- Amplified music is forbidden outside of truck.
- Off premises signage is forbidden; signage must be permanently affixed to food unit.
- Food trucks must properly dispose of all trash, refuse, compost and garbage.
- Trucks may not be the primary or principal use at a lot; they may only be considered an accessory use.
- Food trucks may only remain in one location for up to 8 consecutive hours.
- Food trucks may not sell any items other than food and non-alcoholic beverages and items incidental to food and its consumption.
- No liquid wastes may be discharged from the mobile food unit.
- The Town of Rocky Mount reserves the right to revoke this Zoning Compliance Permit at any time due to noncompliance with any of the above requirements or other code violations or issues which may arise.