Food Truck Vendors on Private Property
Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Where can Food Trucks operate in the City of Newport News?
A. Food Truck Vendors can operate in one of three ways:
   1. City Street and Sidewalk Food Vendor in one of two designated districts.
   2. Food Truck Vendor on private property in specific zoning districts.
   3. Special Events

Q. What do I have to do to operate on private property in the City of Newport News?
A. Food Truck Vendors can operate on private property within certain zoning districts provided they meet certain criteria some of which are:
   • The property has business that is in operation;
   • The property owner has provided their permission for the food truck operation to be on their property; and
   • The food truck vendor has obtained a City of Newport News Food Truck Vendor Permit.
   Food Truck Vendors may not operate on property with closed businesses, on unimproved property or on property where only a parking lot exists without an operating business.

Q. How can I get a Food Truck Vendor Permit in the City of Newport News?
A. You can obtain a Food Truck Vendor Permit through our Department of Codes Compliance by completing an application ensuring you meet all the required criteria.

Q. How much does a Food Truck Vendor Permit cost and how long is it valid?
A. The application fee for a City of Newport News Food Truck Vendor Permit is $150.00. It is an annual permit that cannot be sold or transferred to other operators.

Q. If I currently have a Street and Sidewalk Food Vendor Permit from the City of Newport News will I have to relinquish that in order to obtain a Food Truck Vendor Permit for private property?
A. No, Food Truck Vendors that currently operate under the Streets and Sidewalks regulations and have purchased a Street and Sidewalk Food Vendor Permit can continue to operate in that location. They may also obtain a Food Truck Vendor Permit to vend on private property through the Department of Codes Compliance.