MOBILE FOOD BOOTH VENDING REQUIREMENTS

*EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015, A FEE OF $309.00 WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ALL MOBILE FOOD VENDING PERMITS.*

SECTION 319
MOBILE FOOD PREPARATION VEHICLES MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS

319.1 General. Mobile food preparation vehicles establishments that are equipped with appliances that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors shall comply with this section.

319.2 Permit required. Permits shall be required as set forth in Section 105.6 It shall be unlawful to operate mobile food establishments without a permit as required by Section 105.6.52. Annual mobile food establishment permits must be displayed in a visible location in or on the mobile food establishment.

319.2.1 Site placement. Mobile food establishments left on site for more than 24 hours at carnivals, fairs, festivals, or other public events will be subject to Food Booth permit requirements, inspections, and fees as set forth in Section Chapter 11, Section 11-16 of the City Code and Section 105.6.51 of this code in addition to any fees associated with the annual mobile food establishment permits.

319.3 Exhaust hood. All Mobile Food Establishments permitted after 90 days of the adoption of this code that utilize cooking equipment that produces grease-laden vapors shall be provided with a kitchen exhaust hood in accordance with Section 607. 319.4 Fire protection. Fire protection shall be provided in accordance with Sections 319.4.1 and through 319.4.2

319.4.1 Fire protection for cooking equipment. Cooking equipment shall be protected by automatic fire extinguishing systems in accordance with Section 904.12 when Section 319.3 applies.

319.4.2 Fire extinguisher. Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided in accordance with Section 906.4 and shall have a minimum of one (2A10BC) portable fire extinguisher mounted in a conspicuous place within the kitchen area.
319.4.3 **Additional extinguishers.** In addition to any other required fire extinguisher, all mobile food vendors who deep fat fry shall have a class K portable fire extinguisher for up to four fryers having a maximum cooking medium capacity of 80 pounds each. For every additional group of four fryers having a maximum cooking capacity of 80 pounds each, an additional class K extinguisher will be required. For individual fryers exceeding six square feet in surface area, class K extinguishers will be installed in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations.

319.4.4 **Generators.** Mobile food vendors with portable generators shall have a (3A40BC) portable fire extinguisher in addition to the other fire extinguishers.

319.5 **Appliance connection to fuel supply piping.** Gas cooking appliances shall be secured in place and connected to fuel-supply piping with an appliance connector complying with ANSI Z21.69/CSA 6.16. The connector installation shall be configured in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions. Movement of appliances shall be limited by restraining devices installed in accordance with the connector and appliance manufacturers' instructions.

319.6 **Baffles and Closures**

319.6.1 **Baffles.** All deep-fat fryers shall have a steel baffle between the fryer and surface flames of an adjacent appliance or shall maintain a 16 inch separation distance. The baffle, if installed, shall be eight inches in height.

319.6.2 **Lids.** A positive closing lid shall be required on the fryer with latching mechanisms that secure it in the open and closed positions. Exception: fryers installed under a fixed pipe extinguishing system.

319.7 **Emergency Egress.** Emergency egress shall comply with Sections 319.7.1 through Section 319.7.2.2

319.7.1 **Aisles.** Mobile food establishments shall have a clear, unobstructed height over the aisle-way portion of the unit of at least 74 inches from floor to ceiling, and a minimum of 30 inches of unobstructed horizontal aisle space.

319.7.2 **Additional exit.** Should travel distance from any portion of the interior exceed 10 feet, the mobile food establishments shall have a minimum of two exits located remote from each other and so arranged as to provide a means of unobstructed travel to the outside of the vehicle.

319.7.2.1 **Exit location.** A secondary means of egress shall be located remote of the main exit door, with an unobstructed minimum passage of 24" X 24 " to the outside. The bottom of this secondary means of egress shall not be more than four feet above the vehicle floor or a readily accessible horizontal surface capable of supporting a weight of 300 pounds minimum opening to the outside.

319.7.2.2 **Latching.** The latch mechanism of any exit facility shall be operable by hand, and shall not require the use of a key or special knowledge for operation from the inside. The secondary exit shall be labeled with the word "EXIT" with two inch minimum letters on contrasting background.
319.8 LP-gas systems. Where LP-gas systems provide fuel for cooking appliances, such systems shall comply with Chapter 61 and Sections 319.8.1 through 319.8.8

319.8.1 Maximum aggregate volume. The maximum aggregate capacity of LP-gas containers transported on the vehicle and used to fuel cooking appliances only shall not exceed 200 pounds (91 kg) propane capacity.

319.8.2 Protection of container. LP-gas containers installed on the vehicle shall be securely mounted and restrained to prevent movement. LP-gas containers shall be located and secured on the exterior of the mobile food establishment, open to atmosphere or if containers are kept in compartment, said compartment must be separate from the interior food preparation area. Access must be from the exterior of the unit and compartment floor and exterior door must be vented to the atmosphere.

319.8.3 LP-gas container construction. LP-gas containers shall be manufactured in compliance with the requirements of NFPA 58.

319.8.4 Protection of system piping. LP-gas system piping, including valves and fittings, shall be adequately protected to prevent tampering, impact damage, and damage from vibration.

319.8.5 LP-gas alarms. A listed LP-gas alarm shall be installed within the vehicle in the vicinity of LP-gas system components, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

319.8.6 No Smoking Sign. All mobile units with propane shall post a "NO SMOKING" sign next to or directly above the propane bottle and visible to the public. Such sign shall be posted with a minimum of four inch lettering.

319.8.7 Listed hoses. Any hose used to pipe L.P. Gas to a device shall be listed by UL, FM, or other approved agency and listed specifically for LP Gas service. All couplings, fittings, and any other devices shall meet the requirements for LP Gas Service as outlined in the International Fuel Gas Code, NFPA 58 and 54, or be deemed unapproved and removed from service.

319.8.8 LPG tank location. LPG tanks shall be located outside the mobile food establishment a minimum of five feet from the primary means of egress.

319.9 CNG systems. Where CNG systems provide fuel for cooking appliances, such systems shall comply with Sections 319.9.1 through 319.9.4.

319.9.1 CNG containers supplying only cooking fuel. CNG containers installed solely to provide fuel for cooking purposes shall be in accordance with Sections 319.9.1.1 through 319.9.1.3

319.9.1.1 Maximum aggregate volume. The maximum aggregate capacity of CNG containers transported on the vehicle shall not exceed 1,300 pounds (590 kg) water capacity.

319.9.1.2 Protection of container. CNG containers shall be securely mounted and restrained to prevent movement. Containers shall not be installed in locations subject to a direct vehicle impact.
319.9.1.3 CNG container construction. CNG containers shall be an NGV-2 cylinder.

319.9.2 CNG containers supplying transportation and cooking fuel. Where CNG containers and systems are used to supply fuel for cooking purposes in addition to being used for transportation fuel, the installation shall be in accordance with NFPA 52.

319.9.3 Protection of system piping. CNG system piping, including valves and fittings, shall be adequately protected to prevent tampering, impact damage and damage from vibration.

319.9.4 Methane alarms. A listed methane gas alarm shall be installed within the vehicle in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

319.10 Maintenance. Maintenance of systems on mobile food preparation vehicles shall be in accordance with Sections 319.10.1 through 319.10.3.

319.10.1 Exhaust system. The exhaust system, including hood, grease-removal devices, fans, ducts and other appurtenances, shall be inspected and cleaned in accordance with Section 607.3.

319.10.2 Fire protection systems and devices. Fire protection systems and devices shall be maintained in accordance with Section 901.6.