



CAN I BRING MY FOOD TRUCK TO LAKEWOOD?

THIS GUIDE WILL WALK YOU THROUGH CITY DEFINITIONS, PROCESSES, AND REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO FOOD TRUCKS.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

① ZONING

First, check your zoning. Are you in a residential, commercial, mixed-use, or industrial zone?

② SALES TAX LICENSE

All businesses operating in Lakewood must obtain a City of Lakewood Sales or Use Tax License.

③ REQUIREMENTS

Be sure to comply with the food truck standards listed below and complete a free Short-Term Temporary Use Application if you plan to operate for more than four days in Lakewood.

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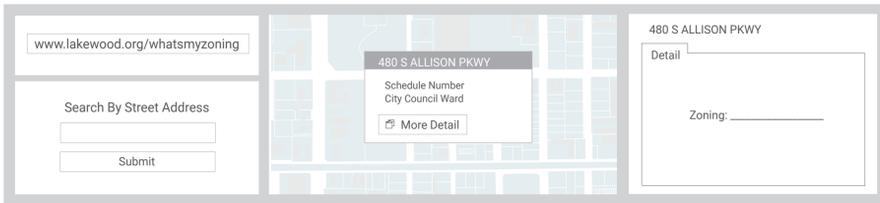
FIND YOUR ZONING

A Go to "What's my Zone District?" page: www.lakewood.org/whatsmyzoning. Type in your address.

⚠ Type your address without punctuation. The system will not recognize your address if there is punctuation.

B A map will appear with an icon on your property. Click on the button "More Detail."

C A small window will open. Scroll until you see "Zoning." This will list the code for your zone district. Click on the code to download a summary sheet of your zone district.



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IS YOUR ZONE ELIGIBLE?

Any zone district that allows for a RETAIL use is eligible for food trucks.



MIXED USE - COMMERCIAL LIGHT INDUSTRIAL

Retail is an allowed land use for mixed-use, commercial, and light industrial zone districts. These zones districts are eligible for food trucks. Continue below for next steps.



RESIDENTIAL

Food trucks are not allowed in residential zone districts. Check out the [Residential Sales Guide](#) to find out how you can sell produce from your home garden.

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SALES TAX LICENSE

All businesses operating in Lakewood must obtain a City of Lakewood Sales or Use Tax License. Please visit the Finance website for details.

[→ FINANCE WEB PAGE](#)

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UNDERSTAND REQUIREMENTS

Although no "Food Truck Permit" is required, you must comply with the standards below and complete a free Short-Term Temporary Use Application, if you plan to operate for more than four days per calendar year.

- ① Display a Lakewood business license at all times, unless operating in Lakewood for only one event per calendar year.
- ② Abide by all the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment regulations.
- ③ Have written property owner authorization on hand at all times.
- ④ Supply a trash container and dispose of any waste that results from the Mobile Food Truck properly.
- ⑤ Abide by all parking laws.
- ⑥ Abide by the Jefferson County Public Health and Environment regulations. (Denver licenses do not transfer to Lakewood due to different standards.)
- ⑦ Complete the free Short-Term Temporary Use Application if you plan to operate in Lakewood for more than four days per calendar year. See below for the link to download the application.

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COMPLETE THE FREE SHORT-TERM TEMPORARY USE APPLICATION

If you find a location with eligible zoning and you plan to operate for more than four days per calendar year, please complete the Short-Term Temporary Use Application. There is no application fee.

[SHORT-TERM TEMPORARY USE APPLICATION](#)



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