

City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 090261)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Title 6 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Health Code,” to eliminate the requirement of semiannual license renewal for mobile food vendors and to provide for protective gloves and head coverings as established in regulations of the Board of Health, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 6 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

TITLE 6. HEALTH CODE.

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CHAPTER 6-300. FOOD.

§ 6-301. Food Establishments.

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(2) Except as hereinafter provided in § 6-305(1)(g), no person shall conduct, maintain, or operate any food establishment selling food unless he has obtained a license as provided in § 6-503.

(3) Every person applying for such license shall supply such information and shall permit such inspection and examination of his food establishment and the food and persons handling food therein as the Board may by regulation prescribe to protect the health of ultimate consumers.

[(a) A license to operate as a mobile food vendor must be renewed on a semiannual basis, and no such license shall be approved or renewed unless the Department has inspected the vending cart or vehicle and determined that it is in compliance with all applicable health and safety requirements of this Code and the regulations adopted by the Board thereunder and that the vendor has identified to the Department the individual(s) holding a valid Food Establishment Personnel Food

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Safety Certificate who will be present during operation, as required by subsection (8) of this Section.]

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(8) Responsibilities of Food Establishments. Subject to the exemptions of Section 6-301(9), every food establishment that sells any non-prepackaged potentially hazardous food, as defined by the Board, shall:

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(e) [Ensure] *To the extent required pursuant to Board of Health regulations, ensure* that any person engaged in the preparation of food at or under the supervision of the food establishment wears protective gloves and a suitable head covering or hair restraint, all to protect the food from contamination.

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§ 6-503. Licenses and Permits.

(1) Issuance and Conditions.

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(d) All licenses shall:

(.1) remain in force for one year from the date of issuance, [except as provided in subsection 6-301(3)(a) with respect to a license to sell food applicable to a mobile food vendor,] unless sooner revoked as hereafter provided;

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Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted.
Italics indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on June 18, 2009. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on June 26, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Patricia Rafferty". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "P" and "R".

Patricia Rafferty
Chief Clerk of the City Council