



Mobile Food Unit Fact Sheet.

Mobile food units are prohibited in Howland Township from being set up to serve the general public, including in parking lots and on private property. (In accordance with Resolution HR2002-002, Transient Vendors Prohibited)

Mobile food units are permitted to operate at community events. Examples include but are not limited to craft shows, church events, music at the park, Howland farmers market, Howland food truck Friday, sporting events, and other community gatherings.

Mobile food unit storage

Mobile Food Units are prohibited from outdoor storage in the Residential, CRD-1, CRD-2, and CRD-OI zoning districts.

Mobile food units require an annual Howland Township Fire Department inspection to operate at special events. This inspection must be scheduled at least seven days in advance.

Please contact the Howland Fire Department at (330) 856-5022 or Fire.Inspection@howlandtownship.org to schedule a fire inspection.

Mobile food units must follow local, county, and state licensing requirements.

Questions:

Q: Can a mobile food unit be set up in a parking or vacant lot in Howland Township to serve the public?

A: **Mobile food units are prohibited from being set up in Howland Township to serve the public. The only exception is if the mobile food unit has been invited to a community event.**

Q: Can a business grant permission to a mobile food unit to operate in the business's parking lot to the public?

A: **NO. Mobile food units are prohibited from operating in Howland Township to the general public.**

Q: Can a business have a mobile food unit on site to serve its employees?

A: **Yes, a business can invite a mobile food unit to serve its employees.**

Definition: "Mobile food unit." Any apparatus or equipment that is used to cook, prepare or serve food, or beverages, and that routinely changes or can change location and is operated from a moveable vehicle or apparatus, including but not limited to motorized vehicles, trailers, and hand-propelled carts

If you have any questions, please call the Howland Township zoning office at (330) 856-5223.