

Ranchi Municipal Corporation

on Street Mobile Food Van/Truck Byelaws

1. PURPOSE

To enhance the overall image, economic vitality and promote street life in commercial areas through the provision of food vending on streets, while ensuring public welfare, fair competition, and nuisance prevention.

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Byelaws, the following definitions are used:

- a) Mobile Food Van/Truck - a motorized, mobile, self-contained vehicle that is equipped to cook, prepare and/or serve food and does not include trailers or carts.
- b) Vendor – any person(s) who owns and/or operates a mobile food van/truck on public streets.
- c) Operate – any activity associated with the mobile food van/truck business, including set-up, clean-up and take-down time.
- d) Protected pedestrian Lane – a dedicated marked lane for pedestrians that is situated to the left of the traffic lane or street parking (if provided).

3. POLICY

- a) Subject to the conditions of this Byelaws, the sale of food items from a mobile food van/truck, as approved by the Health Officer, RMC is permitted. Sale of all other goods (i.e. crafts, clothing, and other merchandise) is not permitted under this Policy.
- b) This Byelaws applies only to on-street operation and does not regulate mobile food van/trucks on:
 - a) Private property;
 - b) Special events; or,
 - c) Festivals.

3.1 Licensing

- a) All mobile food van/trucks shall be required to obtain a license under/from Ranchi Municipal Corporation.
- b) A Municipal license must be obtained for each mobile food truck operating and is valid for one year from the date of issuance. The license fees shall be Rs. 5000/- per annum and shall be payable in advance.

- c) Mobile food van/trucks shall not operate if the municipal license has expired, been suspended, or revoked.
- d) The License shall be posted on the lower right passenger side window of the mobile food van/truck and visible to the public at all times.
- e) Proof that the following permissions have been obtained, and regulations met, must be provided prior to the issuance of a business license.
 - i. Municipal Health Officer Approval;
 - ii. Proof of Motor Vehicle Insurance.
 - iii. Discharge Management Plan that includes a description of how and where FOG (Fats, Oils, Grease) and grey water will be disposed; and
- f) Periodic inspections may be conducted to ensure compliance.

3.2 Conditions of Operation

- a) The mobile food van/truck vehicle must be clean, well lit, and aesthetically pleasing in appearance.
- b) The mobile food van/truck vehicle shall supply its own power and water source. Generators are permitted providing that they do not cause a disturbance.
- c) Overhead canopies or doors shall not obstruct or hinder pedestrian traffic.
- d) Sign boards are to be placed against the mobile food van/truck vehicle to avoid any obstructions. Only one sign board is permitted per vehicle.
- e) Placement of any furniture (i.e. tables, chairs, benches, counters, etc.) associated with the mobile food van/truck operation is not permitted.
- f) Mobile food truck vehicle(s) shall be stored at an approved location when not in operation. Storage of the mobile food van/truck on-street is prohibited.

- g) All elements associated with the mobile food van/truck and its operations (including line-ups, signage and trash receptacles) shall not cause any vehicular or pedestrian obstructions or hazards.
- h) Mobile food van/truck operations shall not create any disturbance or nuisance in terms of noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odour, air pollution, heat, glare, bright light, hazardous or unacceptable waste. Lights, sounds, or actions which may be a distraction for motorists and/or pedestrians are not permitted.
- i) Operations of the mobile food truck shall be conducted in a manner that does not restrict or interfere with the ingress or egress of the adjacent property owner or constitute an obstruction to adequate access by fire, police, or sanitation vehicles.
- j) Vendors shall provide proper trash and recycling receptacles for customers. Vendors shall clean up within a 6.0 meter radius after service at a location.
- k) Vendors shall make arrangements to provide proper access to public washroom facilities for employees.
- l) Vendors shall attend the mobile food truck vehicle at all times while operating.
- m) A location log that tracks the time and duration of the mobile food truck vehicle at each location shall be maintained. This location log shall be made available to a RMC Officer upon request and submitted at the end of the season to the RMC Market section.
- n) Vending at one on-street location shall not exceed a period greater than five consecutive hours. Vendors shall move the mobile food van/truck vehicle to a different location after the five hour duration has expired.

3.3 Locations

- a) Mobile food van/trucks may operate in all areas of the city except where noted in this Byelaws.
- b) Locations are available on a daily first-come, first-served basis. Specific parking spots or stalls are not reserved or assigned.
- c) Mobile food van/trucks shall not be operated within:
 - i) 20 metres (measured from the nearest edge of the mobile food van/truck to the property line) of an existing permanent food

service establishment (including sidewalk vendors with fixed locations) in all permitted locations.

- ii) 30 metres of any primary or secondary school.
 - iii) 20 metres of a park concession.
 - iv) 100 metres of a special event or festival (except where written permission from the event coordinator has been obtained and submitted to RMC prior to commencement of the special event or festival).
 - v) 10 metres of any intersection or crosswalk, and within 10 metres of any bus stop.
- d) Notwithstanding clauses 3.3c) i) through iii), applicants may be approved on a case by case basis in consideration of additional locations previously approved. The additional locations may be approved where RMC is of the opinion that the additional locations do not compromise public welfare, fair competition or create a nuisance.
 - e) Mobile food van/trucks shall not operate within residential zoning areas districts and streets adjacent to residential zoning areas.
 - f) Mobile food van/trucks shall not operate in angle, nose-in parking stalls or loading zones at any time.
 - g) Mobile food van/trucks shall not block access to alleyways, driveways, fire hydrants or loading zones.
 - h) No more than two mobile food van/trucks shall operate at one place at any given time.

3.4 Parking Fees

- a) Parking fees shall be charged at a rate of Rs. 5,000/- per month on roads above 40 feet width and Rs. 2500/- on roads less than 40 feet width. Fees shall be paid in advance quarterly.
- b) Mobile food van/trucks that exceed 6.7 metres in total length shall be required to pay the parking fees equivalent to the parking fees for two parking stalls.

3.5 Hours of Operation

A mobile food van/truck may remain parked, whether operating or not, at one on-street location for a maximum five consecutive hours.

3.6 Legislation

Vendors must abide by all laws and regulations, bylaws, and resolutions governing the mobile food van/truck operation and pertaining to traffic and the use of streets.

3.7 Contraventions

Suspension or revocation of the municipal license may result if the vendor fails to meet one or more of the requirements outlined in this policy, or any other laws, regulations or Bylaws.

3.8 Who Can Apply

Individuals, partnerships or corporations.

How to Apply

Applicants can apply in person at the Market Section, RMC, Ranchi.

Partnership and corporations (not applicable to individuals)

Applicants must provide a business address, as well as other documents depending on the business. Documents may include articles of incorporation, corporate profiles, franchise agreements, partnership agreements and provincial name registration.

Photo and sketch of Vehicle

A photo of the vehicle should be brought in, along with a sketch indicating its dimensions.

Photo of the owner

A photo of the owner will be taken at the Market Section, RMC.

Product List

A list of products sold.

Application Form

**For obtaining fresh license/Renewal of license for Mobile Food VAN/Truck
License for the year 2017-18**

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- (1) Does the applicant is the owner of Mobile Food VAN/Truck - Yes/No
- (2) If No, then who is the owner :
- (3) Vehicle No. :
- (4) Road Tax Paid upto :
- (5) Name of Applicant :
- (6) Correspondence Address :
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P.S., Dist.- Ranchi.
- (7) Place of Business :
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P.S., Dist.- Ranchi.
- (8) Width of Road in front of B.P - > 40'
< 40'
- (9) Distance between Business place & Pucca Road : Feet
- (10) Arrangement for Waste Disposal : Municipal Dustbin /Own Dustbin
- (11) Municipal License should be issued in the name of
as the proprietor of VAN/Operator of Business.



Declaration by Applicant

I agree to abide by all laws and regulation, byelaws governing the vending operation and shall satisfy all government rules/regulations.

I also agree to save RMC harmless of all activities undertaken by vending operations.

I understand RMC reserves the right to withdraw Mobile Food Van/Truck License at any location for failure to meet one or more of the conditions.

All the above statements with is this application are true and correct.

**Date:-
Applicant**

Signature of

Attachments to be enclosed with this application.

- (i) Proof of Motor Vehicle Insurance.
- (ii) Discharge Management plan.
- (iii) Photograph of the Mobile Food Van/Truck.

Mobile Food Van/Truck License

This is to certify that Mr. S/o

..... R/O

P.O. P.S.

Age has been granted License to operate (Name) of Food

Van Operate Mobile Food Van/Truck in

Ranchi City.

This License has been granted subject to fulfillment of conditions prescribed in the Mobile Food Van/Truck Byelaws 2016.

This License shall remain valid from to

unable and until revoked prior to that by RMC.

Addl. Municipal Commissioner
Ranchi Municipal Corporation,
Ranchi.