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Who Needs a Transient Retail Food Establishment Stand Permit?

Food stands are allowed to be set up in Fond du Lac County only if they are in conjunction with a special event or celebration such as a fair, carnival, circus, public exhibition, farmers market, sales promotion or anniversary sale. Setting up a food stand that is not associated with a special event is not allowed.

Non-profit organizations such as youth groups, religious organizations, and other non-profits serving food at a transient retail food event do not require a permit unless they operate the stand for more than 3 days in a *license year. If a transient retail food establishment operates for 4 or more days in the *license year, they must obtain a permit.

All "for profit" food stands that operate in Fond du Lac County must obtain an annual Transient Retail Food Establishment Permit from the Fond du Lac County Health Department (FCHD). A permit from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) or another jurisdiction is accepted with the original copy of the permit available. If you have a DATCP or another jurisdictions permit, an inspection fee will be charged.

The Transient Retail Food Establishment Permit or Mobile Retail Food Establishment license from FCHD, DATCP or another jurisdiction allows "for profit" to prepare, serve or sell food at events, celebrations or sales promotions within Fond du Lac County. The permit holder can participate in multiple events or celebrations throughout Fond du Lac County during that 12-month period.

Having a restaurant license does **not** make you exempt from being licensed for a transient retail food establishment permit. You will be required to have **both** licenses.

Park and Recreation Departments with concession stands are required to have a transient retail food establishment permit. The exception to this would be if the Park and Recreation Department's concession stand serves food that are operated exclusively for the benefit of youth sports programs. If you operate adult and youth leagues, you need to obtain a transient retail food establishment permit.

*License year: The time between July 1st and June 30th of each year. Note that if a permit is obtained between April 1st and June 30th it would be valid until June 30th of the following year.

The Transient Retail Food permit cost is \$100.00 in Fond du Lac County. If you have a current transient retail food permit or a mobile food stand license issued by DATCP or another jurisdiction, you will be required to have the original license in your stand and pay an inspection fee of \$50.00.

Applying for your permit ahead of time is encouraged. Call the FCHD at 920-929-3085. If you have questions, call and ask to talk to one of the Environmental Health Specialists.