

# Austin FoodWise Quarterly

Food Safety 24/7. . .

Environmental Health Services Division



**Monthly Food Safety Training: 3-4:30p.m. @ 1520 Rutherford LN, Building One, STE 200**

Registration required to ensure space availability

January 15, 2013-

Requirements for starting a food enterprise and inspection process

February 19, 2013-

Temporary events and mobile vendor inspection

March 19, 2013-

Food handler registration and food manager registration processes

Call (512)978-0300 or email [ECHU.service@austintexas.gov](mailto:ECHU.service@austintexas.gov) for registration.

**New lobby hours @ RLC - 1520 Rutherford Lane**

**7:45 A.M. — 4:30 P.M. / Monday - Friday**

## **What is a mobile food establishment?**

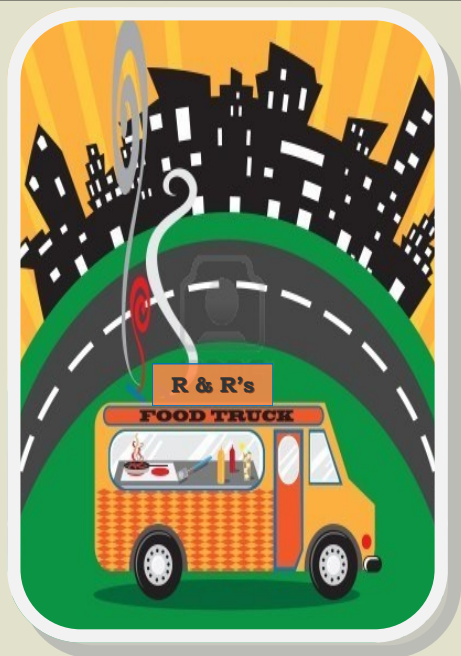
A readily movable and self-contained food operation that can be set up at various locations to dispense a variety of food.

### **Mobile food establishment means two types of units:**

- ◆ (a) A **restricted** unit that offers only prepackaged food in individual servings; beverages that are not potentially hazardous and are dispensed from covered urns or other protected vessels; and packaged frozen foods. Preparation, assembly or cooking is not allowed.
- ◆ (b) An **unrestricted** unit that may serve food that is allowed in (a), and may cook, prepare and assemble a full menu of items

### **Examples of mobile vendors:**

- ⇒ Food trailers
- ⇒ Hot dog pushcarts
- ⇒ Ice cream vendors
- ⇒ Taco trucks
- ⇒ Food kiosks, etc.



Approximately 1400+ mobile food vendors are permitted and inspected in the City of Austin & Travis County.

For more information on Mobile Food Establishments, call (512) 978-0300.

**\*\* EFFECTIVE 1/22/2013 \*\***

**NEW walk-in hours** for Health Dept. customers @

One-Stop Shop located at OTC, 505 Barton Springs Road/ 2nd FL

**8:00 AM – 12 Noon / Monday - Friday**

The City of Austin health inspectors make every attempt to educate while on a inspection. However, sometimes questions arise after the inspector is gone. The Environmental Health Services Division offers a complaint/request phone line that is staffed by a health inspector during business hours. Call for clarification on food safety rules and regulations.

**Have a question? Contact us at: 512-978-0300 or by email at [ECHU.Service@austintexas.gov](mailto:ECHU.Service@austintexas.gov)**

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<http://www.austintexas.gov/departments/food-establishment-requirements>