

To whom it may concern:

My name is Klint Frei, and I work for the Southwest Utah Public Health Department Environmental Health Division. I am writing because I was hoping that you could remind all of your food vendors that it is required that each food vendor have a permit to operate a Temporary Food Service booth. This is different from the Food Handlers Card that each food worker is also required to have. (The Food Handlers Card is valid for three years and cost \$15 while the Booth permit is valid for up to 14 days and costs \$50.)

Some vendors may already have seasonal operating permits (valid for 6 months), and restaurants within a 20 minute drive time of the event location may operate under their restaurant food license, all other prepared food booths need to obtain a permit from our office located at 620 South 400 East Suite 305 in St. George. We also have offices in Iron, Beaver, Kane & Garfield Counties if it is more convenient for the vendor to use this office they can call for an address.

Additionally, all food service booths must have a hand wash station located within 25 feet of their food preparation areas. This means that two or three booths can share, but the facility bathrooms do not count unless the booth is within 25 feet. A hand wash station consists of free flowing water, liquid soap, disposable towels and a catch basin. (I have attached a picture for reference.)

These requirements apply to all food booths that are preparing food; pre-packaged items such as candy bars, bags of chips, and canned soda pop are exempt from the requirement for both a permit and a hand wash station. I have attached both the Temporary Food Service Information Pamphlet and the Booth application so that you might have them for your records as well as have the ability to send them on to your food vendors. Our office will be open from 7:30-5:30 Monday through Thursday and 8:00-5:00 on Fridays. I can issue the permits on site if needed, but the fee increases to \$80 for being late in obtaining the permit.

Thank You for your attention to this matter; if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at (435) 986-2541

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