



# Mobile Food Units



**Greenville County Zoning Administration**

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# Background on Mobile Food Units in Greenville County

So you want to operate a mobile food unit? Great! We at Greenville County Zoning Administration are excited to help you get cookin’.

In December 2025, Greenville County Council passed new mobile food unit (food trucks, trailers, etc). regulations that aim to help business owners by providing guidance on how you can operate within Greenville County.

The mobile food unit regulations took effect on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 and **only** apply to property located **within zoned areas** of Greenville County. After June 3<sup>rd</sup>, any mobile food unit that is in violation of these regulations can be subject to enforcement action.

The information in this brochure comes from Article 4 and Sections 6.1 and 6.2 of the Greenville County Zoning Code. This brochure is informational in nature, and is not a replacement of ordinance language, but rather provided as a service to business owners and community members in Greenville County.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Zoning Administration at [zoning@greenvillecounty.org](mailto:zoning@greenvillecounty.org) or **864-467-7425**.

## Relevant Links

Scan QR codes to access

Zoning Ordinance



Noise Ordinance



Sign Ordinance



Zoning Map



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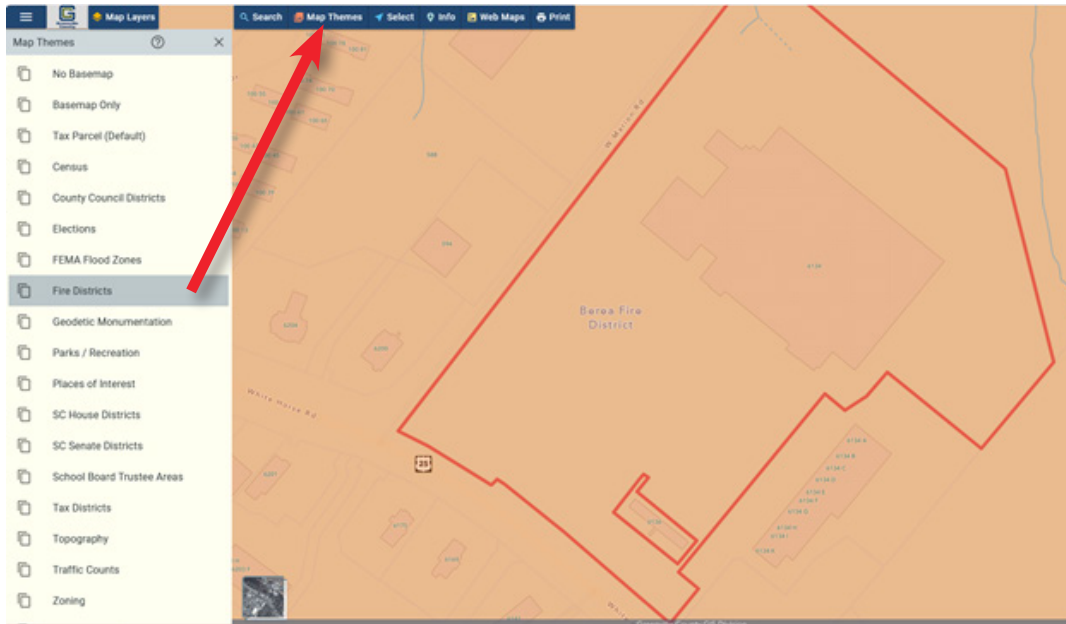
# MOBILE FOOD UNIT GUIDELINES

**Mobile Food Unit-** Any vehicle, trailer, or other movable motorized or non-motorized establishment that is used for the sale of food and beverages to the general public.

## NEXT STEPS

### Contact your local Fire Department

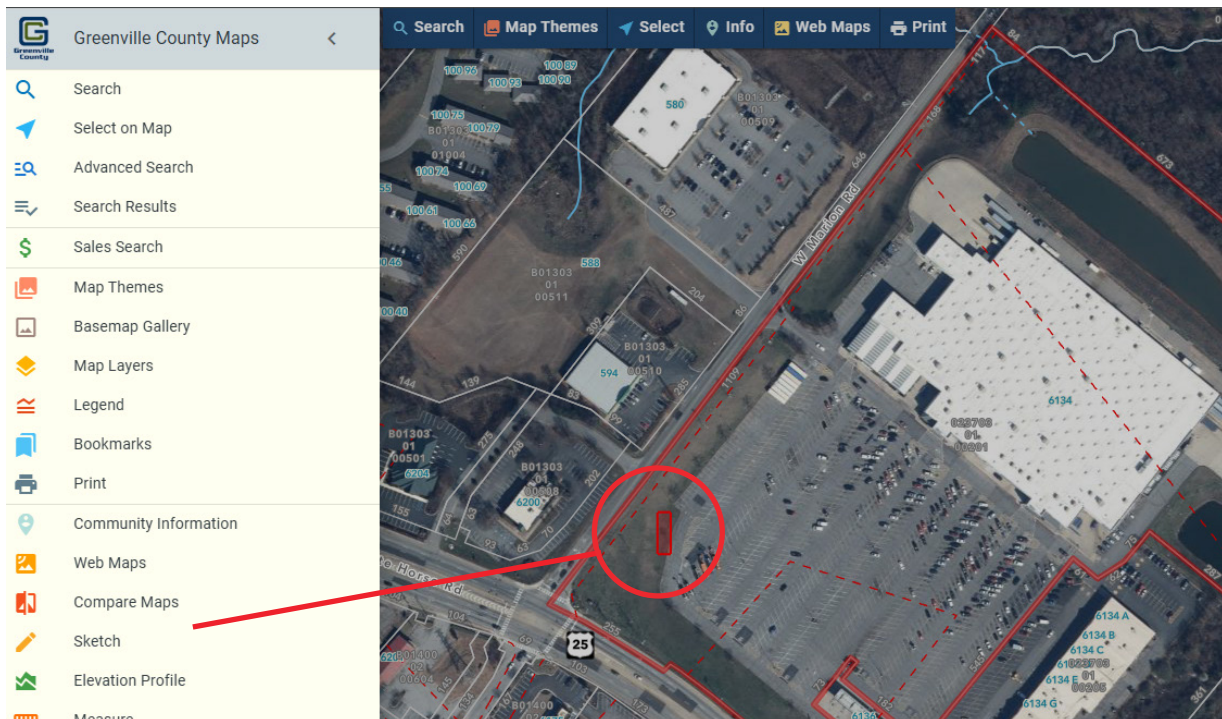
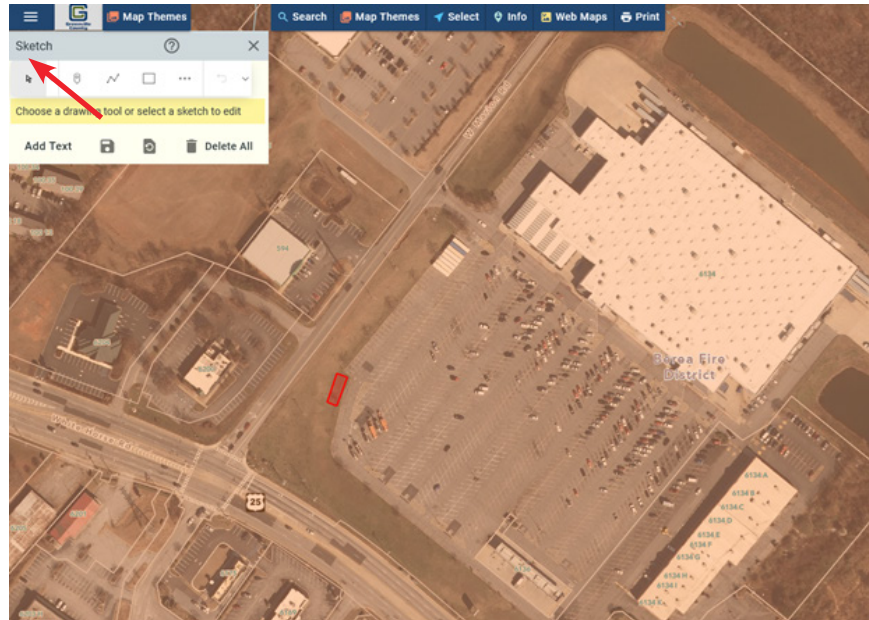
- You can find your local fire district for your proposed location using the County GIS map. <https://www.gcgis.org/apps/greenvillenj/#> They will need to do an inspection first before you can apply for a license from the County.
- On the website, select “Map Themes”, then select “Fire Districts” from the popout menu. This will show which fire district the property is part of. Below is an example of what to expect.



### Apply for a License through the eTrakit software

- You can access this link from the Building Safety/Code Compliance page at <https://www.greenvillecounty.org/BuildingSafety/Default.aspx> **OR** click the following link. <https://grvlc-trk.asp.gov.com/eTRAKiT/> The application type will be Mobile Food Unit. Please fill out the form completely.
- » **Note - If you have multiple regular locations for your MFU, you will need a separate license for each.**

- Upload a copy or picture of your report from the Fire Department.
- Upload a permission letter from the property owner/leaseholder to operate on private property.
- Upload a site plan showing the location of the MFU on the property. You can use the County GIS map for this as well. The MFU cannot take up required parking spaces nor block egress, ingress, sit in any site triangles, or obstruct access to the site. Zoning will review your site plan for compliance. No permanent structure is permitted to be added to or adjacent to a mobile food unit.



- Once your application has been approved, you will need to register the business. Click the link below to begin that process.

<https://www.greenvillecounty.org/AnswerBook/BusinessRegProgram.aspx>

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

Any vehicle, trailer, or other movable, motorized or non-motorized establishment that is used for the sale of food and beverages to the general public.

## **Where can I operate a mobile food unit?**

Mobile food units can operate in the following zoning districts in Greenville County:

- **AG:** Agricultural Preservation District
- **NC:** Neighborhood Commercial District
- **C-1, C-2, C-3:** Commercial District
- **S-1:** Services District
- **I-1:** Industrial District

Mobile food units can also operate in any unzoned areas of the county.

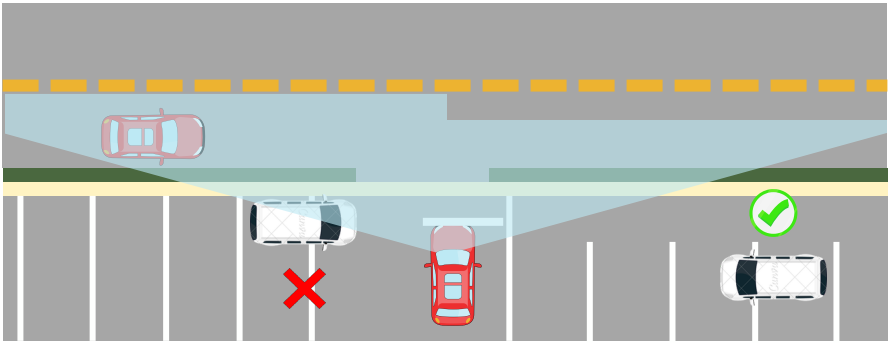
## **Required Documentation**

- Business Registration
- Fire Inspection Decal (received upon completion of fire inspection)
- Any additional applicable permits/approvals from Federal and State agencies
- Written permission from property owner.

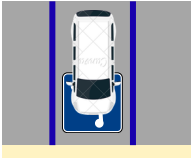
**The mobile food unit and all associated equipment must be removed every night and may not be left over night, unless it is a part of a multi-day special event.**

Mobile food units **must** adhere to the Greenville County Noise and Sign Ordinances.

# Mobile Food Unit Site Requirements



No mobile food unit is permitted to sit in a sight triangle or be a visual obstruction for any road or driveway.

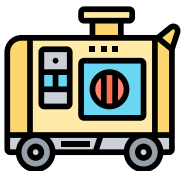


Mobile food units **cannot** park in handicap parking or obstruct access points for a site or building.



If a tent is to be used, it cannot be larger than 400 sq. ft. without obtaining a Temporary Tent Permit from Greenville County Permits.

Trash must be contained during the day **and** removed from the site every night upon leaving.



Generators must be located at least 50 ft. **from** any residential or zoned parcel (refer to Fire Dept. for more information on generators).

# Notes

