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Regional Food Truck Inspection Program

Seattle is participating in the new regional food truck inspection program. Food trucks can now receive a regional checklist inspection from any of the [participating fire departments](#), and that inspection will be recognized by all participating fire departments, including the Seattle Fire Department each year. With proof of an inspection from another jurisdiction, you will receive a discounted food truck permit from most jurisdictions, including Seattle. A permit is generally required from each jurisdiction you operate in. In addition to the regional checklist inspection, inspectors may perform additional drop-by inspections during events to ensure safe operations throughout the year.

Permits

In Seattle, a [food truck permit and inspection](#) is \$422 (permit code 8206-TRK). However, if you provide a copy of the regional inspection checklist performed by another jurisdiction within the past 12 months, the Seattle food truck permit is reduced to \$352 (permit code 8206-RGL). Refunds may be provided if you pay for the Seattle permit with inspection and then have the inspection performed by another jurisdiction. Permit applications are available on our website: <http://www.seattle.gov/fire/business-services/permits#howtoapplyforapermit>

Inspections

Your food truck must pass a fire department inspection each year. All participating jurisdictions will use the [regional inspection checklist](#) during these inspections and may have additional requirements specific to their jurisdiction. You may provide proof of an inspection passed within the last 12 months to participating jurisdictions instead of completing additional annual inspections in each jurisdiction.

In Seattle, after you have received your permit, you may commence operations. A Seattle Fire Department inspector will arrive unannounced to inspect your food truck at least once in the following 12 months. There is no need to schedule the inspection or drive your truck to a specific location for inspection. The inspector will use the [regional inspection checklist](#) during the inspection. When the inspection is complete, you will receive an inspection report by email. Print and store a copy of the inspection report along with your permits as proof of your regional inspection when traveling to other participating jurisdictions.

Please note that the Seattle inspection may be performed at any time during the year after you receive your permit and you will not receive a completed inspection report until after the inspection is complete. If the inspector is unable to locate your truck during the year and you do not provide proof of a regional inspection, you may be asked to bring your truck to a specified location for inspection. Please review the information on each jurisdiction's website when choosing which jurisdiction you would like to schedule an inspection with.