

What type of retail food businesses need a retail food permit?

A firm must have a retail food establishment permit if any food or beverage preparation is conducted. A firm that offers any type of potentially hazardous food must also have a retail food establishment permit. A permit is not required if a firm only offers prepackaged non-potentially hazardous food, such as bottled drinks or snacks, or offers whole, uncut produce.

Examples:

- All Restaurants / Fast Food /Bakery / Deli
- Mobil Units / Catering Service
- Convenience Stores
- Bar's / Clubs
- Schools / Cafeterias / Concession Stands
- Daycares / Sr. Centers
- Churches
- Hotels
- Drug Stores
- Supermarkets
- Sno Cone Stands
- Retail Meat Markets / excludes deer processing

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