



## **Mobile Food Service Vehicles (MFSV) Rules for MFSV Operation in City Parks**

**1. PURPOSE.** The purpose of these rules is to administer the Mobile Food Unit ordinance adopted by the City Council on November 3, 2016 and included in the City Code. These rules apply independent of Special Events, Special Use, or League/Tournament agreements conducted with written permission from Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department's Director or designee.

**2. POLICY.** It will be the policy of the City through its Parks and Recreation Department to allow MFSVs to vend in certain City parks and recreation properties in accordance with City Code and in accordance with these rules, which were approved by the Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission on November 2, 2016.

**3. REQUIREMENTS.** All MFSVs shall comply with City Code Chapter 13, Sections 13-20 through 13-26 to the extent applicable, including, but not limited to, obtaining a Mobile Food Service Permit and complying with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations. Mobile Food Service Vehicles (MFSVs) shall be allowed in parking lots of certain City of Murfreesboro parks with the following limitations:

a. **Approved Parks and Maximum Numbers.** MFSVs may operate at approved parks, as listed in Appendix 1 to these Rules. The maximum number of MFSVs allowed to operate at one time at an approved park is found in Appendix; however, Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department may increase or decrease the allowable number at the Department's discretion. Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department may also allow MFSVs to operate in other City parks for one-time, special events, such as the grand opening of a new greenway or park.

b. **Reservations Required.** MFSVs are allowed to operate in the approved park property only by reserving a space through Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department. If a special event, a "Special Use" agreement, or league/tournament activities are scheduled to operate at a park or park facility, the MFSV may not be allowed to reserve a space at that site, except as coordinated as a part of the event, with associated fees and approvals. At any one time MFSV Vendors may have only two (2) reservations at all approved park properties. When a Vendor makes a reservation, Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department may place cones in the designated MFSV area on the day of the reservation in order to reserve the space for the MFSV. While the MFSV is operating, the Vendor shall use these cones provided by Murfreesboro Parks and

Recreation Department and place one cone at each corner of the MFSV. See Section 5 for reservation procedures.

c. Hours of Operation. MFSVs are limited to vending in park properties only when the park or facility is open, and MFSVs may not operate or vend for longer than four (4) continuous hours, unless Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department grants written permission otherwise.

d. Designated Areas. MFSVs shall operate only within the designated area at approved park properties. MFSVs and Vendors are prohibited from using a push cart or circulating throughout the premises of park properties in any manner. MFSVs shall not provide or allow any dining area, including but not limited to tables, chairs, booths, bar stools, benches, tents, and standup counters.

e. Removal of Equipment. MFSVs and all associated equipment must be removed from the park at the end of each day. The Unit and any equipment are not permitted in the park overnight at any time.

f. Noise. MFSVs are prohibited from using sound amplification. MFSVs and Vendors shall comply with the City's Noise Ordinance [<http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1916>] when on park property.

g. Waste Collection. MFSVs shall provide a trash receptacle for the collection of waste material. Trash collected or generated by MFSVs shall not be placed or disposed of in a park or park facility trash receptacle. Vendors shall remove all trash and litter from park grounds within fifty (50) feet of their MFSV. Recycling is encouraged, and must also be removed from park properties at the responsibility of the Vendor.

h. Electrical and Water Services. Any power or water required for MFSV's shall be self-contained and MFSVs shall not use utilities drawn from the park property unless specifically authorized in writing by Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department.

**4. RIGHTS RESERVED.** Notwithstanding the authorizations made herein:

a. The City reserves the right to prohibit a MFSV from vending at City park properties based on public health, safety, and welfare concerns.

b. The City reserves the right to prohibit MFSVs from vending at City park properties if a special event, permitted sport/league activity, or other permitted activities are taking place at such the park site. If the MFSV is affiliated with or solicited by an event host, the Vendor shall obtain express written consent from the event host demonstrating that the MFSV has permission to vend at the event or activity in accordance with their approved Use Agreement.

## **5. RESERVATION PROCEDURES:**

- a. Vendors may call with between 1 and 4 weeks' notice in advance of requested date in order to reserve location. Staff will verify that vendor has a Mobile Food Service Permit.
- b. For Old Fort Park, Richard Siegel Park, Barfield Crescent Park, Greenway, Rogers Park, Walter Hill Park and Oaklands Park reservations, call 615-890-5333. Reservation cards for these locations will be issued at the Parks and Recreation administrative office located at 697 Veterans Parkway. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Vendors must post the reservation card in a visible location on the food truck.
- c. For Cannonsburgh reservations, call 615-890-0355. Reservation cards will be issued at this location. Vendors must post the reservation card in a visible location on the food truck.
- d. For Patterson Park Community Center reservations, call 615-893-7439. Reservation cards will be issued at this location. Vendors must post the reservation card in a visible location on the food truck.
- e. For McKnight Park and Sports\*Com reservations, call 615-895-5040. Reservation cards will be issued at this location. Vendors must post the reservation card in a visible location on the food truck.