

How to Stay Compliant: General Regulations

The following checklist is designed to help you stay compliant with Lomita's sidewalk vending rules. It covers key regulations to follow so you can operate your vending business safely and legally. Ask yourself: Does my vending business meet these guidelines? If yes, check the box!

- Vendors must keep the sidewalk open for pedestrians and other uses. Vendor must leave an unobstructed 4-foot wide path of travel along the sidewalk free of equipment and product.
- Stationary vendors are prohibited from operating within residential zones
- Vendors cannot locate along portions of sidewalk with a painted curb (red, white, etc.)

- Vendors shall not use propane, natural gas, batteries, or other explosive/hazardous materials
- Utilizing an open flame on or within any cart is prohibited
- Vendors are prohibited from locating along Pacific Coast Highway
- Hours of operation are limited to 7 A.M. through 8 P.M.
- Only food or merchandise may be sold. No services shall be rendered
- No freestanding signs or umbrellas are permitted
- Airborne signs such as balloons, banners, flags, and pennants are prohibited
- Vendors that sell food must provide a privately owned trash can in the immediate vicinity
- Vending equipment shall not lean on /touch any building, light pole, parking meter, or street sign
- Vendors shall not leave their cart unattended
- Vendors shall not sell alcohol, marijuana/tobacco products, or adult-oriented material

Violations of the regulations outlined above and found in Chapter 6-10.090 of the Lomita Municipal Code are punishable by administrative fines (pursuant to 6-10.095)



SAFE SIDEWALK *Vendor Checklist*

Welcome to the City of Lomita – The Friendly City! Whether you're launching a new vending business or taking steps to operate legally and safely, this pamphlet is here to guide you every step of the way. Inside, you'll find information about city guidelines, safety requirements, and how to apply for the necessary permits to ensure you meet all the requirements to vend safely in Lomita. Together, we can keep Lomita's streets vibrant, welcoming, and full of opportunity for everyone.

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What is a Sidewalk Vendor?

A sidewalk vendor is a person who sells food or merchandise from a pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other non-motorized conveyance, or from one's person upon a public sidewalk or other pedestrian path. "Sidewalk vendor" includes "roaming sidewalk vendor" and "stationary sidewalk vendor."

Before You Start Selling...

The following permits and licenses are required to operate as a sidewalk vendor and must be displayed at your vending location at all times. Use this checklist to help you keep track and make sure you're ready to go!

- A City of Lomita sidewalk vending permit (valid for one year)
- A City of Lomita business license (valid for one year)
- Health permit obtained from LA County Department of Health, if selling food

Please contact the Lomita Business Licensing Division for more information regarding permits/licenses at [310\) 325-7110 ext. 137](tel:3103257110)

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Knowing where you can and can't vend is just as important as having the right permits. This section outlines Lomita's location and distance guidelines to help you avoid restricted areas and stay in compliance. Ask yourself: Is my vending location allowed? If yes, check the box!

- 30 feet from a driveway and 30 feet from the street intersection
- 30 feet from a fire hydrant, fire call box, light pole, utility pole, utility cabinets or equipment
- 25 feet from a bus shelter or bus bench
- 25 feet from street furniture (benches, planters, trash receptacles, artwork, etc.)
- 100 feet from another street vendor
- 500 feet from a public or private school prior to 4 P.M. on any day that school is in session
- 500 feet from a permitted special event such as a farmer's market (vendors with a desire to sell products at a special event shall contact the organizer to be included in the event itself)

