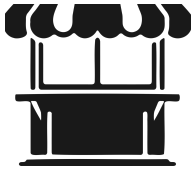


Types of Vendors



Trucks & trailers must use legal parallel parking spots with service windows facing the sidewalk or operate on private property

Pushcarts, kiosks, stands, tents & tables must use the sidewalk or operate on private property



Peddlers travel by foot and do not have a vending unit

License Displays

- **All Vendors must display a valid Annual Vending License**
- Vending Location Priority Permits grant priority for the use of the location
- Vendors with heating elements must also have a fire permit starting **January 1, 2027**

License Exemptions

- Vending at a permitted **Special Event** or City farmers market
- In the **Strip District** between 15th St, 24th St, Liberty Ave, and Waterfront Pl and Railroad St
 - approval from adjacent property owner required
- Vending from tents & tables on private property

Garbage

- Vendors cannot dispose of garbage in City receptacles.
- Vendors must have a **30+ gallon garbage can** attached to their unit if their product generates trash and must keep a 25ft radius clean

Sound

- **Amplified sound is not permitted**, and operations should generally not be audible **75ft away**. Additional standards apply in and around residential areas

Restricted Locations



[Vending Map](#)

Residential Areas: Vending (except peddling) is not allowed in residential zoning districts, **unless outside a garden, farm, community center, park, religious institution, or school**

Public Realm and Planned Development Districts: Regulations vary. Email zoning@pittsburghpa.gov for more information

Sometimes, the Zoning on one side of a street is different from the other side

Central Business District: vending only in pre-approved locations

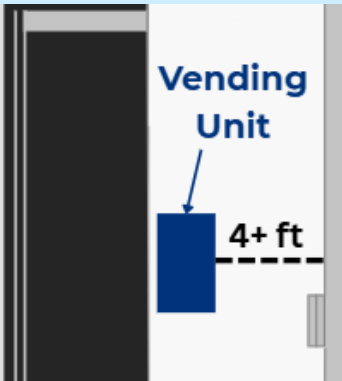
Parks: vending only in pre-approved locations

State-owned roads: vending on the sidewalk only, no use of parking lane unless with special permission from PennDOT

Stadiums and major event centers: No vending within 100 feet of an entrance

Mt. Washington: No vending between Grandview Ave, Wyoming St, Virginia Ave, and Shaler St

Traffic Safety

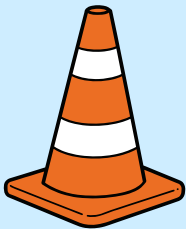


4ft clear sidewalk space, including customer queue line. On sidewalks over 10ft, **at least half** of the sidewalk must be clear.

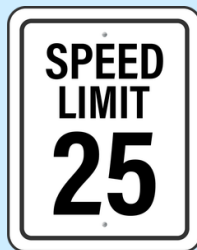
Vending is not allowed within 20ft of an intersection or crosswalk as measured from the stop bar (unless otherwise approved)



Vending is not allowed from angled or perpendicular street parking. **Customers cannot be served on the street or in any vehicle path**



Vending is not allowed on sidewalks or streets where the **speed limit is over 25 mph**



No cables or other tripping hazards in pedestrian pathways

Spacing

150ft from vendors with location permits or non-vending businesses that sell the same primary product required, unless:

- vendor has partnered with a bar or brewery
- other business is not open
- other business grants the vendor permission
- vendor is on private property

50ft between vendors required on the street and sidewalk, unless in a Group Vending Area

Accessibility

- Do not block a building entrance, bike lane, electric vehicle charger or other EVSE, fire hydrant, bus stop, accessible parking spaces, loading zone, outdoor dining, or any other structure
- Do not spread out with tables and displays. Generators must be attached to the unit

Operating Hours

- **6am to 12am** on the street and sidewalk in nonresidential areas
- **8am to 8pm** on the street and sidewalk in residential areas
- Specified on permit for parks
- Not restricted on private property



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[Addressing violations through 311](#)



[Vending License Information](#)

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