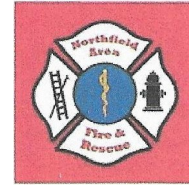




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Mobile Food Preparation Vehicle – Permits & Inspection Policy

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From: Tom Nelson
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As per Minnesota Fire Code 2020 section 319.2, an operational permit shall be required. Northfield Area Fire & Rescue Service (NAFRS) is the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) for the cities of Northfield and Dundas as well as the surrounding rural townships in our coverage area as per its Joint Powers Agreement. Permits are valid in any location in the NAFRS coverage area.

1. Application – Permit applications are on the nafrs.org website and can be either printed or emailed as a fillable PDF. In addition, a fire code checklist is available on the NAFRS website.
2. Fee - \$100 for annual permit or \$50 with approved Inspection Waiver (below)
3. Inspection Waiver – NAFRS will accept an inspection form within 12 months from any Fire Code Official/AHJ in Minnesota in lieu of our inspection. A PDF must accompany permit application.
4. Permit term – Annual permits will be good for 1 calendar year from issuance. Permit is per unit, not for other units in the fleet.
5. Conditional Permit – Permit may be issued with outstanding correction items. Those will have a reasonable correction period.
6. Rejected or revoked permit – The fire code official or designee may reject the permit application, as well as cancel an approve permit in place, if a significant violation(s) is/are observed during inspection or during operation.
7. Inspection scheduling – NAFRS will make reasonable efforts to provide same-day inspections including weekends/holidays with adequate notice. Contact the Fire Code Official via email above or 612-325-4556 to check availability.