Are the majority of your sales direct to consumer (i.e. Retail)?

Yes

No, the majority of my sales are to other businesses (i.e. Wholesale). This applies to businesses operating out of a brick and mortar location or a commissary.

No, my facility is a brick and mortar location that acts as a commissary for either my own business and/or other businesses that make food for both retail and/or wholesale (Ex: Kitchen Network, Cloud Kitchen, Kitchen Share, Catering business that owns the commissary, etc.)

Apply for a Wholesale Food Commissary License

Yes

Will you be selling food out of a mobile truck, trailer or cart?

Yes

Apply for a Retail Food Mobile License

No

Are you catering private events, with payment made before service at a designated location and prepare food out of a third party commissary kitchen (Ex: weddings, events, etc.)?

*If you own the brick and mortar where you prepare food for caterer events, please see wholesale food commissary license

Apply for a Retail Food Caterer license

No

Will you be operating with a table/tent at a temporary event and preparing food for the event at a commissary or restaurant (Ex: Farmer’s market, Taste of Colorado, etc.)?

Apply for a Restaurant Temporary license

Yes

Will the food be purchased premade from the store and require no refrigeration or hot holding (i.e. candy bars, canned soda, peanuts, water bottles, etc.)?

No

Will you be utilizing a commissary to prepare part or all of your food and selling either online (such as at a cloud kitchen), on the 16th street mall out of a kiosk, or out of another location (such as a food hall with shared common areas such as Aavanti or Central Market)?

Apply for a Retail Food Commissary Based License

No

No, I will be preparing the food, either hot or cold, at a commissary to sell (Ex: burritos, tamales, tortas, salads, sandwiches, etc.)

Yes

Apply for a Peddler License

No

Will you be selling food out of a cooler that is packaged and labeled?

Apply for a Food Peddler License

Notes:

- Wholesale businesses (excluding commissaries) must register with the state health department (CDPHE).
- If a brick-and-mortar business sells wholesale and retail food at the same location, a single license for whichever makes up the majority of your business is required, but not both.
- You must have an individual license for each location of food handling/retail sale. Ex: You are operating at 2 farmer’s markets on the same day, then 2 separate temporary licenses are required.
- Brick-and-mortar licenses are only good for the licensed premise and a temporary retail food license must be obtained to participate in any event.
- Any mobile unit operating at a temporary event is required to obtain a retail food mobile license and CANNOT operate with a restaurant temporary license.
- Peddlers must be always moving, except for when they stop to make a sale.