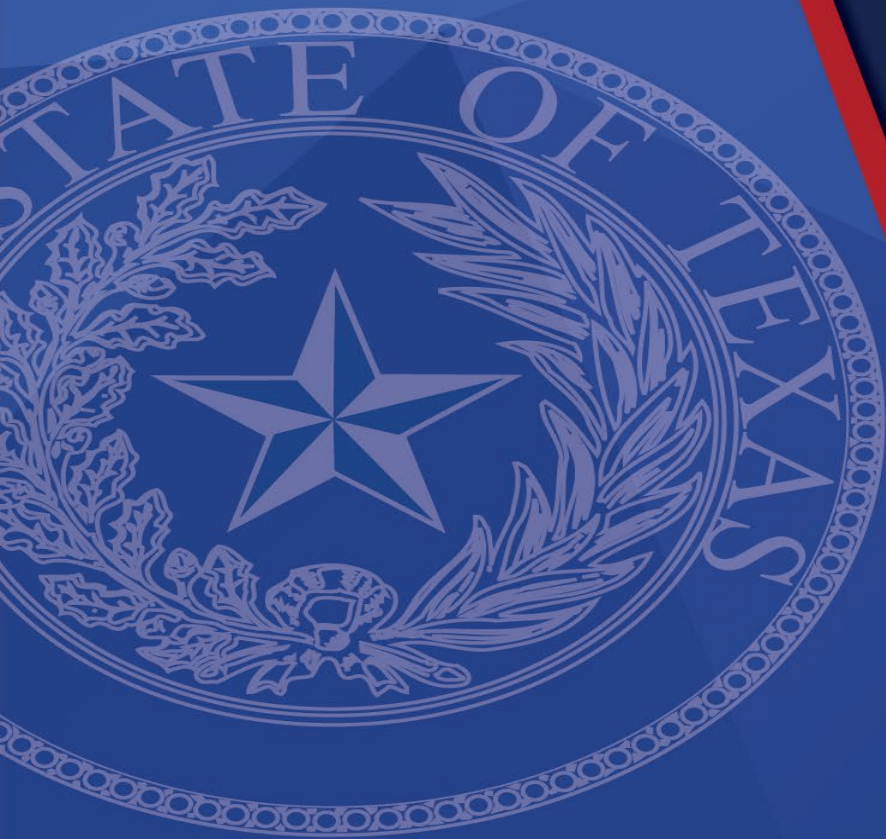




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Food Safety Unit
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Implementation



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- DSHS has been focused on:
 - CAA (Collaborative Agreement Agency) Training and IT Setup
 - Application Reviews
 - Inspection Assignments
 - DSHS Internal Reorganization



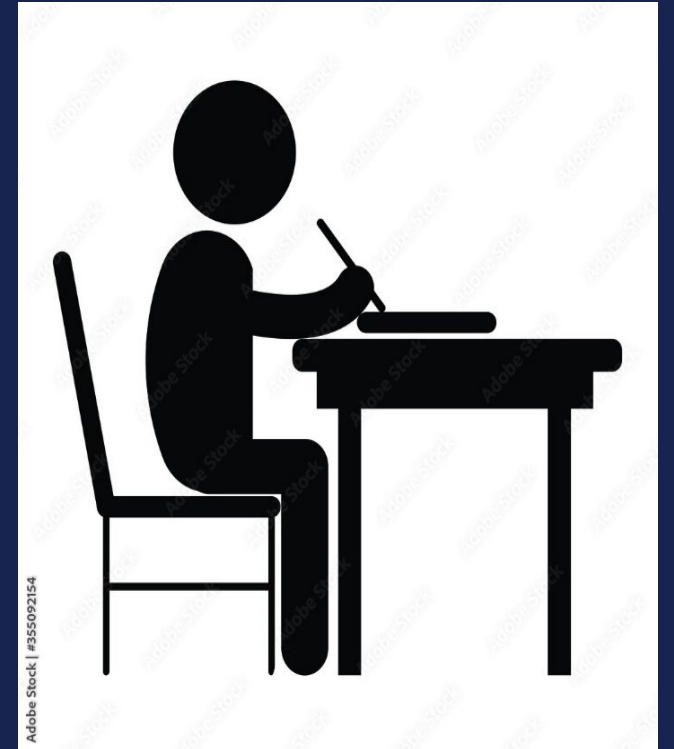


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MFV Website Updates

- *Mobile Food Vendor Guide (Eng/Sp)*
- *How to Submit an MFV Application (Eng/Sp)*
- *Pushcart Guidance*
- *Who Should Be Licensed as an MFV*
- License Categories
 - **Category 1**
 - **Category 2**



Collaborative Agreements



As of 8/10/2026:

- **29 Collaborative Agreement Agencies (CAA)**
- **2 Contracts Pending**
- **12 Contracts Declined**



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CAA Workgroup

- Workgroup meets once a week
- Discuss Updates, Clarifications, and SOPs
- Training, IT/Software Setup, Inspection



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Licensing

- There are two categories of applicants for the initial licensing and inspection plan starting in June.

Category One

- If you have an existing mobile food unit or mobile food vendor license from a local health department in Texas, you can keep operating if you:
- Provide proof of that license when you apply through DSHS
- Submit the application and pay the fees
- Print and keep the application summary on your food vending vehicle at all times

Category Two

- If you do not have a current license anywhere in the state of Texas, you cannot operate until the pre-licensing inspection is completed. DSHS will prioritize your application.
- What happens after the pre-licensing inspection is successfully completed?
- You will be granted a DSHS MFV license that expires one year from the date of your successfully completed pre-licensing inspection.



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Application Fees

Fees due at time of application:

MFV Type	Application Fee	Pre-Licensing Inspection Fee
Type I	\$309	N/A
Type II	\$618	\$400
Type III	\$876	\$500



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Other Fees

Additional fees that may apply:

MFV Type	Routine Inspection Fee	Complaint / Compliance Inspection Fee
Type I	N/A	\$300
Type II	\$400	\$400
Type III	\$500	\$500



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License Data

As of 8/6/2026:

DSHS Licensed prior to July 1st: 1,885



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Applications: 7,011

- Category 1: 4,803
- Category 2: 2,208

Operational Follow Up

- **Weekend Support and Emergency Closure**

- DSHS staff receive inquiries from CAAs regarding requests for emergency closure, unlicensed MFVs, and other needs, including on weekends and in the evenings
- DSHS issues Cease and Desist Orders to unlicensed MFVs

- **Other Updates**

- Trainings housed on TX Train
- Training on related IT solution for DSHS/collaborative agreement partners to access licensure information



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