When is a sidewalk vending permit required?
A permit is required for any person engaging in, conducting or carrying on the business of vending on a sidewalk in Beverly Hills.

How do sidewalk vendors obtain a permit?
Prior to engaging in the business of vending on a sidewalk, prospective vendors must file an application for a permit, along with a non-refundable processing fee of $46, at least 30 days prior to the date requested for issuance of the permit. Application forms are available from the Finance Cashier on the first floor of City Hall.

Applicants should be prepared to provide:

- Applicant’s legal name, mailing address and telephone number;
- The name and business address of the principal, if applicant is an agent of an individual, company, partnership, corporation or other entity;
- A copy of a California driver’s license or identification number, an individual taxpayer identification number or a social security number;
- A description of the food and/or merchandise;
- A description, map or drawing of proposed areas of operation;
- The proposed days and hours of operation;
- The dimensions of the vending cart;
- A current valid City of Beverly Hills business tax registration certificate;
- A current valid California seller’s permit number pursuant to Section 6067 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code;
- Proof of comprehensive general liability insurance with minimum limits of $1,000,000 per occurrence, combined single limit coverage and $2,000,000 in the aggregate against any injury, death, loss or damage as a result of wrongful or negligent acts or
omissions by the permittee, with an endorsement naming the City as an additional insured;

- If a vendor of food, certification of completion of a food handler course and proof of all required approvals from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health; and
- An agreement to indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers and employees, for any damage or injury caused to the City as a result of the sidewalk vending conduct or activity.

For a complete list of application requirements, please visit www.beverlyhills.org/business/sidewalkvendingordinance

**What are the requirements for vending carts?**

Not including an attached litter receptacle, vending carts shall not exceed a length of 4 feet, a width of 4 feet, or a height of 10 feet (including a roof, umbrella or awning) provided that any umbrella or awning shall be no less than 7 feet above the surface of the sidewalk. Vending carts shall not be accompanied by accessories, with the exception of one chair and one umbrella allowing the vendor to be seated in shade.

All food and merchandise shall be stored either inside or affixed to the vending cart (in such a manner that items do not extend outside of the cart’s frame) or carried by the sidewalk vendor. All signage and advertising must be attached to the vending cart or the vendor’s person, and shall not be electrical, flashing, wind-powered or animated.

For more details on vending cart requirements, visit www.beverlyhills.org/business/sidewalkvendingordinance

**What are the location requirements for sidewalk vendors?**

Sidewalk vendors may not operate on any public property other than a sidewalk, and must at all times maintain a clearance of at least 48 inches to enable people to freely pass while walking, running or using mobility assistance devices. Stationary sidewalk vendors may only vend on sidewalks with a minimum width of 8 feet, exclusive of curb width. Vending carts shall not touch, lean against or be affixed to any building or structure or other objects on public property or in the public right-of-way.
Sidewalk vendors shall not operate in the following locations:

**Year-Round Location Restrictions**

- Within Greystone Mansion & Gardens: The Doheny Estate (905 Loma Vista Drive);
- Within the Lilly Pond located in Beverly Gardens Park, just north of Santa Monica Boulevard North roadway between North Canon Drive and North Beverly Drive;
- Within 100 feet of any entrance to a park or Beverly Canon Gardens Park (241 N. Canon Drive);
- Within 500 feet of the nearest property line of any property on which a school building or facility, including an athletic field, is located while the same is in use;
- Within 100 feet of a public picnic area, playground area, playground equipment, public community center, athletic field or athletic court while the same is in use;
- Within 200 feet of a police station, fire station or Beverly Hills Civic Center;
- Within 100 feet of a street intersection or traffic signal;
- Within 100 feet of an alley, parking lot or parking garage vehicle entrance/exit;
- Within 100 feet of an open air dining area; or
- If a stationary sidewalk vendor, within areas zoned exclusively for residential use or within 170 feet of any areas zoned exclusively for residential use.

**Additional Date-Specific Location Restrictions:**

- For the duration of the special event permits for the annual car show hosted on Rodeo Drive, for each of the Spring and Fall Beverly Hills Art Shows, for each of the Summer BOLD Kickoff, Holiday Lighting Celebration, and the Next Night Block Party, and for any large-scale special event which includes a street closure;
- Beginning May 15th of each calendar year and ending the following September 15th as well as beginning the third Thursday of November of each calendar year and ending the following January 7th:
  - Along Rodeo Drive between North Santa Monica Boulevard and Wilshire Boulevard; along North Beverly Drive between North Santa Monica Boulevard and Wilshire Boulevard; along North Canon Drive between North Santa Monica Boulevard Wilshire Boulevard; along South Beverly Drive between Wilshire
For a complete list of operating requirements and restrictions, please visit www.beverlyhills.org/business/sidewalkvendingordinance

What are the hours of operation for sidewalk vendors?
Sidewalk vending is permitted between the hours of:

- 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. in areas not zoned exclusively for residential use, provided that the hours of operation are not more restrictive than those imposed on other businesses or uses on the same street
- 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. in areas zoned exclusively for residential use or within 170 feet of any areas zoned exclusively for residential use

What are the possible citation amounts?
A violation of these guidelines by a sidewalk vendor with a valid current permit ranges from $100 for the first violation up to $500 for additional violations within one year of the first infraction.

A person engaged in sidewalk vending without a valid current permit ranges from $250 for the first violation up to $1,000 for additional violations within one year of the first infraction.

Where can I find additional information about permits and requirements related to sidewalk vending?
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