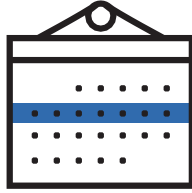


MICROENTERPRISE HOME KITCHEN OPERATION (MEHKO)

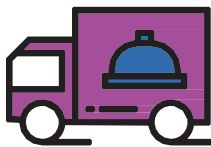
A permitted mini restaurant that operates in a residential kitchen.

OPERATORS ARE REQUIRED TO:

Be a **RESIDENT OF THE HOME** and responsible for the operation



Limit operation to **30 MEALS PER DAY AND 90 MEALS PER WEEK** with a \$100,000 annual sales cap



DELIVER FOOD to the consumer directly

Be in compliance with the **YOUR CITY OR SONOMA COUNTY GENERAL PLAN**



Prepare, cook, and serve all food on the **SAME DAY**



Pass an approved accredited **FOOD SAFETY EXAM**

Have any person involved with the operation obtain a **FOOD HANDLER CARD** from an approved provider

MEHKO APPLICATION STEPS:

1

CONTACT:

Environmental Health at (707) 565 6565 or EH@sonomacounty.gov

2

SUBMIT

FOLLOWING:

- Application form
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) form
- Applicable fee

3

OBTAIN PERMIT:

Upon approval of documents and an in-home inspection by Environmental Health, a **MEHKO IS ISSUED A PERMIT AND APPROVED TO OPERATE.**

OPERATORS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO:



EMPLOY MORE THAN ONE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE

PREPARE, SERVE OR SELL FOOD OUTSIDE OF PERMITTED KITCHEN AREA

RESELL FOOD to other food facilities



DISPLAY ANY SIGNAGE or other outdoor advertising

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT SONOMA COUNTY **MEHKO**



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