

BEAVERTON CURRENT PLANNING DIVISION



FOOD CART POD REGULATIONS

In 2015, the City of Beaverton adopted new rules allowing the creation of food cart pods. These rules are intended to foster the development of food cart pods that are safe, sanitary, and attractive. Below is a summary of the regulations adopted by the city. For a full list of requirements, please refer to Beaverton Development Code Section 60.11.

Site Design

- Carts and amenities must be located on hard surfaces like asphalt or concrete.
- Carts cannot block any required parking, landscape, or walkways.
- Carts must be six feet away from the street. Other setbacks are based on the property's zone, with more restrictive setbacks next to residential properties.
- Carts must be spaced six feet apart.
- No tripping hazards shall be created (i.e. hoses, cords, pipes, etc.).

Required Amenities

- If seating is provided in the food cart pod, restrooms with handwashing facilities must also be provided.
- Waste and recycling facilities must be provided and screened from view of the street and residential properties.
- Small structures for storage or weather protection are permitted.

Individual Cart Standards

- The wheels and tongue must remain on the cart.
- Carts must be kept in good repair.
- Carts shall not be longer than 26 feet, nor taller than 15 feet.
- Cart operators must maintain a City of Beaverton Business License and all required licenses by State and Local agencies.

Parking & Utilities

- Food cart pods in Commercial and Industrial zones must provide one parking space per cart. No parking is required for pods in Multiple Use zones.
- Food carts shall connect to sanitary sewer lines and utilize a grease interceptor OR connect to a DEQ compliant above ground wastewater tank.
- Food carts shall connect to a permanent water source OR connect to an above ground potable water tank.
- Food carts shall connect to a permanent power source. Generators are not permitted in a food cart pod.

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