



ASK YOURSELF



- Where did the food come from?
- Where do they wash their hands?
- Is the food safe to eat?



CONTACT US



If you believe you have become sick or would like to report an unpermitted food operation, contact us at



(805) 654-2813



www.vcrma.org/r/unpermitted-food-operations/



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**COUNTY
of
VENTURA**

UNPERMITTED FOOD OPERATIONS

What's the concern?



UNLAWFUL FOOD VENDING



YOUR HEALTH

Eating out should be a fun part of life. But it is important to be aware of the dangers of buying food or beverages that were not handled safely.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified five major risk factors that have been most associated with food poisoning.

These factors are:

- Poor personal hygiene
- Improper holding and cooling temperatures
- Inadequate cooking
- Contaminated equipment
- Food from unsafe sources

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After consuming unsafe food or drinks, it may take hours or days to develop symptoms.

Protect your family!

Don't take risks!

Don't buy food from unpermitted vendors!

BE AWARE



The following food safety concerns are associated with unpermitted food vending:

- No Handwashing
- No means of keeping food hot or cold
- No potable water or electricity
- No restrooms
- Food not protected from bugs & dirt
- Employees have little or no food safety training knowledge
- Food sources – where did the food come from?



Food operations that do not have a Health Permit are not being inspected or monitored in any way.

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THE LAW



It is illegal to sell any food or drink in Ventura County unless the vendor is permitted by the Ventura County Environmental Health Division.

Permitted food vendors must meet the State Health and Safety Code requirements to ensure food is prepared in a safe manner.

Support food vendors that obtain permits and comply with the law as their operations are equipped with the proper equipment to prepare food safely.

CHOOSE CAREFULLY WHEN YOU EAT OUT!

ONLY BUY FOOD FROM
PERMITTED FOOD VENDORS

LOOK FOR THE PERMIT STICKER



The color of the permit sticker changes every year to make it easier to verify if the food cart, truck or trailer has been approved for the current year.

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