

# Frequently Asked Questions

Are you a transient trader, peddler, vendor or own a mobile truck?



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**Q:** What is a **transient trader**?

**A:** Any person or group with a lease for less than 90 consecutive days who offers goods and merchandise for sale through auction or private sale. An example of this would be someone who rents a hall or facility to sell goods.

**Q:** What is a **peddler**?

**A:** Any person who peddles, sells, or hawks, or carries goods from place to place for the purpose of selling them. An example of this would be a door to door sales person.

**Q:** What is a **vendor**?

**A:** Any person who sells products from a stationary vending unit, on private property or on city-owned land such as parks and beaches. Vendors sell merchandise, such as t-shirts, and **unprepared foods**, such as agriculture products.

**Q:** What do you mean by “**mobile truck**” or a “**vending unit**”?

**A:** Any cart, stand or kiosk that either operates from a fixed location or route where **prepared food** is served to the public.

**If you fall into any of these categories, you are required to have a license.**

**Q:** Do I need a license if I am only selling temporarily?

**A:** Yes. You are required to have a license no matter the length of time you will be selling goods.

**Q:** How do I obtain my license?

**A:** Completed application forms must be submitted to the Office of the City Clerk at least seven days before the effective date of the permit.

**Q:** Can I change what I am selling and continue to use the same license?

**A:** No. Your license is only valid for the goods that were listed on the application and are currently listed on your license.

**Q:** How long is my license valid for?

**A:** The license will show the date which it was issued to the date that it expires. This cannot exceed one year.

**Q:** Where should I place my license?

**A:** Licenses must be placed where they are visible at all times.

**Q:** Can I give my license to someone else?

**A:** No. A license may only be used by the person or operator who obtained it.

**Q:** How much is the license fee?

**A:** Fees are indicated in the "Tariff of Fees Policy 2003-02". Fees vary depending on the length and type of license. The Tariff of Fees Policy document can be found by clicking the link below:

[http://www.bathurst.ca/docs/bylaws/2003-02%20-%20Tariff%20of%20Fees%20\(2018%20Fees\).pdf](http://www.bathurst.ca/docs/bylaws/2003-02%20-%20Tariff%20of%20Fees%20(2018%20Fees).pdf)

**Q:** What are the regulations for outdoor entertainment?

**A:** Outdoor entertainment, such as buskers, will not be charged a fee. However, they are still required to be registered with the City Clerk's Office.

**Q:** Will I be fined if these regulations are not followed?

**A:** If you fit one of the categories listed and do not have a license, yes, you can be fined.

The full by-law document, No. **2018-02 “Transient Traders, Peddlers, Vendors and Mobile Trucks By-Law”**, along with the **application form**, can be found here:

<http://www.bathurst.ca/docs/bylaws/2018-02%20-%20Transient%20Traders,%20Peddlers,%20Vendors%20&%20Mobile%20Trucks.pdf>

Please review this by-law before submitting your application

**If you have any questions,  
we welcome you to contact the City of Bathurst  
Clerk or Assistant Clerk  
at 548-0400.**