Food System Agency Scan

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When establishing a food or agriculture related business or non-profit, there are multiple agencies, often within multiple levels of government, which may have authority over the business or organization. Federal, state, county, and city laws and ordinances must all be complied with, and this web of regulations often overlaps and has varying requirements. For example, certain licenses and permits for the same project may need to be obtained from more than one level of government for full compliance.

At each level of government, there are also programs and departmental resources that may assist an organization with funding, community resources, and/or general assistance with compliance or organizational maintenance. Having an understanding of what agencies and departments exist should prove useful in navigating the regulatory state for the benefit of an organization.

This guide provides short descriptions of various city, state and federal agencies and departments that relate to the food system and urban agriculture. The areas of regulation that each agency and department governs are listed, along with a synopsis of possible relevant points and contact information. The websites and contact information provided should be utilized for further information.

This agency scan will hopefully be a useful tool in getting started with the navigation process. The listings in this guide are not exhaustive and are only intended to be used as a starting point. Further, laws and ordinances do change, so individuals should check carefully for current requirements.
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I. **City Planning Commission**

The commission focuses on issues, procedures and fees related to Zoning, Land Use and Rezoning. It provides information on zoning of particular parcels and on the process of rezoning parcels or otherwise amending the Zoning Ordinance. Additionally, the commission provides assistance in proposal preparation and community organizing.

- Detroit Zoning Ordinance outlines various land uses within the city. There are four zoning districts in Detroit: Residential, Business, Industrial, and Special Districts. Note that Detroit does not have agricultural zoning as of the writing of this document. However, the city is developing an agricultural zoning ordinance, so potential farmers should check for updates to the code. Each is divided into subparts and allows for uses by-right, conditional uses, and uses subject to various means of approval.
  
  o Conditional uses of land are uses that would not normally be appropriate as a general matter, but that may be allowed subject to certain conditions and local findings.
  
  o Uses by right refer to land uses that require special permit or city allowance.
  
  o Other types of uses are defined in the Detroit Zoning Ordinance and include variances and regulated uses for land being put to an objectionable purpose in consideration of the surrounding area. Such uses are regulated by the Commission.

- For example, produce and wholesale food markets have authorized zoning by right in areas zoned as Business B6, Industrial M1-4, Special and Overlay TM, and subject to approval by a legislative body in Special and Overlay PD.
  
  o The specific zoning ordinances can be found here: [http://www.detroitmi.gov/Portals/0/docs/legislative/cpc/pdf/Ch.%2061%20Aug%2023,%202011.pdf](http://www.detroitmi.gov/Portals/0/docs/legislative/cpc/pdf/Ch.%2061%20Aug%2023,%202011.pdf)


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Coleman A. Young Municipal Center
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 202
Detroit, MI 48826
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Contact Person: Stephanie Parker
II. Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board conducts investigation and public hearings to determine whether variances, exceptions or modification of approved regulated uses of land will be in the best interest of the public and that the spirit and intent of the zoning ordinance is upheld.

- Applications made to the Board should be made in the name of the owner of the premises affected or by an authorized agent. The application should include all points of appeal, and a description and scaled plot of proposed use.

**Contact:** Tyrone U. Miller, Director
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Contact Person: Lyall Hoggatt

III. Buildings, Safety Engineering & Environmental Department

The BSE&ED administers and enforces Michigan construction codes, ensures maintenance of existing building and their environment through enforcement of the Detroit Property Maintenance Code and Zoning Ordinance. It issues licenses for businesses in Detroit through the Business License Center and ensures that license seekers meet all applicable legal standards before a license is issued or renewed.

A. Special Land Use/Zoning Division

Regulates zoning and issues special land use grants in coordination with the Planning and Development Department.

- The Zoning Ordinance requires Site Plan Review for all Conditional Land Uses.
  - A conditional land use is a specially approved use of land for a use that may be appropriate in a particular zoned district, but which has certain characteristics that the city has an interest in managing to protect the integrity of uses permitted by right in that district.

- Site Plan Review requires that a detailed application be made to the Planning and Development Department. Neighborhood Petitions are required if certain proposed Regulated and Controlled Uses are too close to residentially zoned land.
  - Regulated land uses are those that have “serious objectionable operational characteristics, especially if grouped closely together.”
  - Controlled land uses are also subject to similar spacing requirements.
After approval, a public hearing must be scheduled with notice given to all residents, property owners and businesses within 300 feet, notice provided in the Detroit Legal News, and notice posted on the property. After a decision is made, it can be appealed to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- More information on Site Plan Review can be found here: [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11009](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11009)
- Steps to obtain Zoning Approvals can be found here: [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11013](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11013)
- The BSE&ED can issue zoning verification letters for individuals who wish to verify the specific zoning designation of a property. The process is detailed here: [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11007](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11007)
- Building Permits and Business Licenses, if necessary, must be obtained before the new Conditional Land Use can be opened and operated. [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11001](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11001)

**Contact:** Robert Davernport  
313-224-3172  
[http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11000](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=11000)

**B. Business License Center**

The Business License Center issues business licenses as Detroit’s “stamp of approval” that a business meets the standards established by city ordinances. A license is required for any business that needs inspection or special monitoring to ensure safe operation.

- Not all businesses must be licensed. The following are a few of the business required to be licensed: General Food (Pre-packaged) businesses, restaurants, landscape gardeners, vendors, industrial caterers, meat brokers & wholesalers, and vending machines must be licensed.  
  - For a complete list, visit: [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=3004](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=3004)

- Prior to receiving a business license from the City of Detroit, you should determine if a State of Michigan license is required.  
  - Not every business is required to be licensed by the State of Michigan.

- Building or occupancy permits may be required and can be obtained at the Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department.  
  - For more information, visit: [http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=3002](http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageId=3002)
A separate license is required for each location in Detroit in which you do business. Zoning ordinances will determine where a business can be located in Detroit. The Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department enforces these zoning ordinances.

Vendors must secure vendor licenses, undergo yearly health inspections, have their location approved by the Building & Safety Engineering Department, obtain a food handler card, obtain insurance and tax clearance.

- For more information visit: http://71.159.23.2/BSEOnline/division.action?pageld=3000

Contact: Coleman A Young Municipal Center, Suite 105
Detroit, MI 48826
313-224-3178

IV. Department of Environmental Affairs

The DEA manages and coordinates the environmental affairs of Detroit and maintains City compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The Department works to promote sustainable economic development by working with agencies and citizens to address pertinent environmental issues.

Issues with regard to hazardous waste, underground storage tanks, and emergency response activities should be directed to the DEA. Additionally, the DEA acts as an intermediary for state and federal programs, including regulatory compliance and funding for grant opportunities.


Contact: 660 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1800
First National Building
Detroit, MI 48226
313-471-5115

V. Finance Department

The Finance Department coordinates the financial affairs of the City including management of accounts, provision of tax assessments, purchasing for most City department and institutions, collection and recording of taxes, management of debt, enforcement of the City Income Tax, City Utility Tax, and property tax ordinances, and maintenance of the City retirement systems. City business tax and income taxes apply and any type of business in Detroit must have a sales tax number and federal tax id.

Contact: Assistance & Information – 313-224-3315
VI. Department of Health and Wellness Promotion

The DHWP provides nutrition services and programs including after school and summer food services for children, clinical – medical nutrition therapy, and community nutrition education, in addition to the provision environmental services and promotion of wellness.

Environmental Services Division - Food Sanitation Department

The Food Sanitation Department oversees regulation of food sanitation, licensing and permitting, and administers the Food Service Inspection Program. The Food Service Inspection Program regulates restaurant inspections and licenses. All food establishments in the city must have a food establishment license

- Temporary Food Permits
  - A temporary food service establishment is a food service establishment which operates at a fixed location for a temporary period of time not to exceed two weeks.
  - Temporary food service establishments must obtain a Temporary Food Service Establishment License and timely pay the applicable fees to obtain a permit to vend. All food service workers and managers are required under Detroit Ordinance 209-G Chapter 21 to obtain annual food handler permits. These permits and licenses can be obtained from the Food Sanitation Department.
  - Contact: talleyd@detroitmi.gov
  - 313 - 870-2929

- Mobile Food Service Licenses
  - A mobile food service establishment is a food service establishment operating from a vehicle, trailer, or watercraft which is not fully equipped for full food service, and must therefore, return to a licensed commissary at least once every 24 hours for maintenance and servicing.
All vendors and mobile food service establishments must have licenses and be inspected by the public health department. Licenses must be applied for and will only be issued after inspection.

Contact: withingtons@detroitmi.gov
313-870-2722

- Food Handler Education and Permit Program
  - State food law requires that all food establishments have at least one manager who has completed a management certification course. The certified manager is responsible for ensuring that all employees are appropriately trained in food safety and are complying with safe food practices. Detroit does not offer these programs. Interested parties are responsible for taking part in a state certified program.
  - Food handler permits must be obtained annually.
  - Contact: 313-876-4503

- Food establishments must comply with city licensing and permitting and are additionally governed by the Michigan Food Law of 2000 and the 2005 FDA Food code.

General Contact: Denise Ndiaye
313-870-2729

VII. Detroit Department of Human Services

The mission of the Human Services Department is to help identify and alleviate causes of poverty. Programs include USDA commodity distribution, energy assistance, emergency food program, clothing bank, and tax assistance.

Contact: 1151 Taylor St.
Detroit, MI, 48826
313-852-5609
http://www.detroitmi.gov/DepartmentsandAgencies/HumanServicesDepartment.aspx

VIII. Planning & Development Department

Coordinates urban renewal land sales, oversees development tax incentive program, and partners with community groups to improve and increase the amount of affordable housing in Detroit.
- The department oversees the process for garden permits / adopt-a-lot permits. Individuals may apply for a garden permit to use a vacant parcel of city-owned land for “gardening and/or landscaping beautification and maintenance purposes.” After granting of a permit, the applicant must maintain the lot, take measures to minimize dust, noise and odors from the lot, repair any damage caused by the activities at the lot, refrain from keeping animals, including livestock, poultry or other animals, on the lot, and refrain from erecting any structure other than a temporary fence on the Lot among other requirements and covenants.

http://www.detroitmi.gov/DepartmentsandAgencies/PlanningDevelopmentDepartment/RealEstateDevelopment/GardenPermitAdoptALotPermit.aspx

**Contact:** Planning & Development Department
65 Cadillac Square, Suite 2300
Detroit, MI 48226
313-224-6380
http://www.detroitmi.gov/DepartmentsandAgencies/PlanningDevelopmentDepartment.aspx

IX. Detroit Water and Sewerage Department

The DWSD provides water services to Detroit, manages water usage agreements with neighboring communities and wholesale customers, manages combined sewer overflows, and oversees enforcement of commercial plumbing and draining systems, and ensures water quality and minimal levels of contaminants. Water and sewage usage rates are based on customer volume usage. Unless identified as a being a significant contributor of pollutants to the storm water drainage system, the following are a few non-storm water discharges that are permitted: landscape irrigation runoff, diverted stream flows, pumped groundwater, discharges from potable water sources, irrigation water, lawn watering runoff. Excessive drainage should be approved by DWSD.

- New or changed services may require a permit from DWSD.
  - Contact: 313-245-1057

- For meter readings needed for purchase or sale of real estate.
  - Contact: 313-267-8009

- For information on the storm water management program, visit:

**Contact:** 735 Randolph St. Suite 1001
Detroit, MI 48826
313-964-9477
I. Corporation Counsel

The Department of the Corporation Counsel provides legal representation and services to County departments and elected officials, and provides human relations business certification services to Wayne County businesses.

A. Human Relations Division

The Wayne County Human Relations Division helps businesses in Wayne County earn business certifications that can be applied as “equalization credits” in bids for county contracts. Certified small businesses can take part in the SBE program, in which the county awarded commodities and/or projects to SBE bidders only.

- The Division also enforces fair employment and discrimination pertaining to county contractors.
  - For more information, visit: [http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/cc_hrel_certprogram.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/cc_hrel_certprogram.htm)

B. Nuisance Abatement Program

Abandoned property that is a “blighting influence” can, after investigation and lawsuit where title to the property transfers to Wayne County, be sold to a purchaser who is required by contract to redevelop the property within predetermined time constraints.

- NAP works with the city of Detroit in its mission, as well as local community groups and not for profit community development corporations in Detroit and throughout Wayne County.
  - For more information, visit: [http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/nap.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/nap.htm)

C. Real Estate and Neighborhood Revitalization

Provides economic development, community revitalization, and real estate services to county residents so they can receive timely document preparation, review, and representation to support all country development-related activities.

- For more information, visit: [http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/1347.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/1347.htm)

II. Economic Development Growth Engine (EDGE)

EDGE works to strengthen the Michigan economy by providing resources for new and established businesses in the state.

A. Wayne County Land Bank

The Land Bank manages abandoned, underutilized, or blighted property with the goal of transforming it into a productive use. Many abandoned properties cannot be sold because of outstanding back property taxes, liens, and title problems. The Land Bank is able to solve these problems and transfer land to one who can take care of the property.

- Contact: 313-224-3615
  [http://www.waynecounty.com/landbank.htm](http://www.waynecounty.com/landbank.htm)

B. Business & Real Estate
This division assists and encourages new business in the County by working through community partnerships, providing business incentives, overseeing a Brownfield Program, and providing site selections and real estate development services, as well as direct assistance in acquiring proper permits needed to get a business running.

- Wayne County requires the following business permits: Construction Permits, Environmental & Soil Erosion Permits & Food Establishment Permits.

- Food establishments in Detroit are only required to be licensed by the city of Detroit. An additional county and/or state license is not required.  
  http://www.waynecounty.com/edge_busdev.htm

- Construction permits are required for anyone wanting to perform work on certain County owned property. For example, a permit is required for closing a section of a road for a festival or similar activity, certain landscaping, and any construction that impacts County drains.
  http://www.waynecounty.com/dps_engineering(cpoffice.htm

- **Contact:** Raymond Byer, Chief Development Officer  
  (313) 224-6025

*Contact: Wayne County Economic Development Growth Engine (EDGE)*  
500 Griswold St. Floor 30  
Detroit, MI 48226  
(313) 224-0410  
http://www.waynecounty.com/edge.htm

### III. Environmental Services

The Environmental services division provides solid waste and soil erosion programs. Permits are required for discharging storm water to a County drain, connecting to or altering a County interceptor sewer, directly connecting to a County sewer to discharge domestic or industrial wastewater. Permits can be obtained through the Department of Public Services – Permit Office. A county drain is one that is specifically under the jurisdiction of Wayne County.

- As regulated by State and Federal law, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department has jurisdiction over water discharges to drainage systems, but may issue permits to “nested” Wayne County drainage systems for use of the water drainage system. Primary jurisdictions, like Detroit, may also agree to cooperate with county governments in being responsible for control of the drainage system.

- The Water Quality Management Division oversees compliance of county permit requirements.

*Contact:* [http://www.waynecounty.com/doe.htm](http://www.waynecounty.com/doe.htm)

### IV. Health & Human Services
A. Public Health Department

Provides environmental, nutritional, and community health needs in accord with CDC regulations. Administers nutritional program services such as WIC and enforces safety and environmental quality standards.

Contact: [http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/hhs_ph.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/hhs_ph.htm)

a. Environmental Health Division

**Food Safety & Food Licenses**

The Environmental Health Food Safety & Food Licenses program prevents foodborne illness through monitoring, education and enforcement of licensed food facilities. The division maintains inspection reports of businesses.

[http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/5179.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/5179.htm)

- Note that food licenses for establishments in Detroit should be obtained from the city of Detroit. All other Wayne County food establishments should obtain licenses from the county.

- Permanent & Temporary Food Service Establishments must acquire a license through the health department and pay all applicable fees.

- Building or remodeling a food establishment requires submission of plan and application.

  [http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/documents/hhs_docs/mda_plansubmissioninstructions.pdf](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/documents/hhs_docs/mda_plansubmissioninstructions.pdf)

- All new and redeveloped food establishments must develop standard operating procedures.


- Most food establishments must have at least one full-time certified manager employee who is certified under the American National Standards Institute in accordance with the Michigan Food Law of 2000.

**Contact:** Wayne County Department of Public Health

Environmental Health Section

Food Safety & Food Licenses

5454 S. Venoy

Wayne, MI 48184

(734) 727-7400

[http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/5179.htm](http://www.co.wayne.mi.us/5179.htm)
MDARD implements laws pertaining to the production, handling and distribution of agricultural products.

**MDARD Resources**
- MDARD has an enormous amount of resources that provide further information about the food system in the state of Michigan.

**A. Animal Industry Division**

The Animal Industry Division administers a variety of programs in regard to Animal Production Food Safety, Animal Welfare, Licensing Responsibilities, and Disease Prevention

Applicable Regulations can be found here: [http://www.state.mi.us/orr/emi/admincode.asp?AdminCode=Department&Dpt=AC&Level_1=Animal+Industry+Division](http://www.state.mi.us/orr/emi/admincode.asp?AdminCode=Department&Dpt=AC&Level_1=Animal+Industry+Division)

**Contact:** Jim Bowes – Acting Director, Animal Industry Division
517-335-1420

**B. Food & Dairy Division**

The Food & Dairy Division works to protect public health by ensuring a safe and wholesome food supply, while working to maintain a viable food and dairy industry. The FDD administers inspections of the milk supply, provides food service and food establishment oversight, and administers state laws.

**The Food & Dairy Division enforces the following regulations:**
1. Grading, labeling and marketing of tomatoes & eggs.
2. Regulation of honey, tomatoes not ripened on the vine, greenhouse tomatoes, celery, shell eggs, cucumbers, potatoes, greenhouse leaf lettuce, sweet cherries, mushrooms, apples, hazardous substances, unclassified potatoes smoked fish
(3) Licensing of canning plants
(4) Regulation for freshness and quality of food products
(5) Regulation of food service sanitation
(6) Regulation of food establishments
  a. These regulations of food establishments do not apply to roadside stands or stands at fairgrounds, circus grounds, carnivals, parks and resorts that operate for less than 2 weeks during any 12 month period

Contact: Kevin Besey, Director
800-292-3939
http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1572_2875_31948-8257--00.html

C. Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division

The Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division implements and enforces laws concerning agricultural products, export commodities, pesticide sale and use, pest management, and groundwater protection.

Contact: Gina Alessabdri, Director
517-373-4087
http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1572_2875_31953---00.html

D. Environmental Stewardship Division

The Environmental Stewardship Division provides assistance for land users in the conservation and development of soil and water resources. Administers Conservation Districts, programs for safe disposal of pesticides, programs for the administration of the Right to Farm law, and a variety of programs to encourage proper stewardship of environmental resources.

Contact: James Johnson, Director
517-335-3400
http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1572_2875_31944---00.html

E. Licensing, Certification & Registration

Different licensing requirements exist for animals, agricultural products, food services, food establishments, dairy licenses and permits, farmer’s markets, organic farms, & pesticide use.

- A listing of licenses, including application forms and further details can be found here:
  http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1569-161495--00.html

- A “Licensing Decision Tree” based on the type of business you are interested in can be found here:
  http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1569-166988--00.html
- Use of certain pesticides requires applicator certifications. For more information, visit:
  http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1569_16988---,00.html

- The Food Law of 2000 requires that all food establishments be licensed with their local public health department. There are very limited exceptions where licenses are not required. For further information, visit:
  http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1568_2388-11877--.00.html.

- A step-by-step guide to food establishment licensing can be found here:
  http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1568_2388-53792--.00.html.

Contact: 517-241-6666
http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1569---,00.html

II. Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH)

MDCH administers WIC, including Project FRESH, a Farmer’s Market Nutrition Program, State Medicaid Programs. WIC vendors have specific requirements as to minimum stock of fresh fruits and vegetables.

Contact: Capitol View Building
201 Townsend Street
Lansing, MI 48912
517-373-3740
danielis@michigan.gov
http://www.michigan.gov/mdch

III. Michigan Department of Education

The Department of Education administers the policies of the State Board of Education and implements state and federal education mandates.

- Food Distribution Program
  o Through the MDE, the Food Distribution Program is responsible for the distribution of USDA funds and foods used for schools, child care facilities, summer camps and low income citizens in need of food assistance. The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) are also administered through the Department.
  o Contact: 517-373-4336
    http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-6530_6569--19567--00.html

Contact: 608 W. Allegan St.
Lansing, MI 48909
517-373-3324
http://www.michigan.gov/mde

IV. Michigan Department of Environmental Quality

The DEQ administers programs and implements regulations for the protection of the environment while fostering a healthy economy.

- The DEQ establishes and regulates water quality standards, issues permits to regulate the discharger of industrial and municipal wastewaters into State water resources, and enforced state laws.

- The Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA) provides pollution prevention and assistance, information, education and financial assistance for the improvement of environmental quality.

Contact: 1-800-662-9278
http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3306_57163---,00.html.

V. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

LARA maintains the regulatory structure in Michigan, overseeing the licensing and regulations of Michigan individuals and entities.

Bureau of Commercial Services

Responsible for licensing and implementing regulations for corporations, partnerships, and limited liability companies. There are three divisions: (1) the corporation division that serves business entities in formation and transactions, (2) the enforcement division that licenses and regulates professions and services, and (3) the licensing division that determines eligibility and ensures compliance of licensees.

Contact: 517-241-9226
bcsinfo@michigan.gov
http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,1607,7-154-35299---,00.html

VI. Michigan Occupational Safety & Health Administration (MIOSHA)

MIOSHA’s aim is to protect health, safety and benefits of Michigan workers. MIOSHA seeks to ensure employer and employee compliance with Michigan wage and hour laws and establishes and enforces safety and health regulation.

- Separate standards of MIOSHA are enforced for Agricultural operations. Regulations for the following can be found here: http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,1607,7-154-11407_15368_23455---,00.html.
- Farm field equipment, agricultural tractors, contaminant regulations, air pollution control and ventilation, field sanitation, temporary labor camps, logging, handling of chemicals, labeling and safety postings are all regulated under MIOSHA.

**General Contact:** (800) 866-4674
**Agriculture Contact:** 517-322-1845

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
Michigan Occupational Safety & Health Administration
P.O. Box 30643
7150 Harris Drive
Lansing, Michigan 48909-8143
Federal

While most of the required licensing, inspections, and regulations applicable to the food system in Michigan will be enforced by state and local authorities, federal law will still apply in most cases. Be sure to check to make sure that you are in compliance with all applicable regulations at each level of government.

I. Department of Health and Human Services

A. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- Regulates all domestic and imported food products except meat, poultry, and processed egg products. The FDA administers a number of laws enforcing food, drug, medical device, vaccines, animal and veterinary, cosmetic and tobacco laws.

- The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act requires packaged foods to have nutrition labeling. An exemption exists for low volume products where fewer than 100,000 products are sold within a 12-month period and the employer employs less than 100 full time employees. Additionally, an exemption applies to retailers with annual gross sales of $500,000 or less.

  o For more info on nutrition labeling exemptions: http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/GuidanceDocuments/FoodLabelingNutrition/ucm053857.htm

  o For info on FDA labeling requirement: http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/GuidanceDocuments/FoodLabelingNutrition/FoodLabelingGuide/default.htm

Contact: 1-888-723-3366
http://www.fda.gov/Food/default.htm
industry@fda.gov

B. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- Focused on protecting the nation’s public health. The CDC Office of Food Safety works to promote food safety and prevent foodborne illness through research, industry surveillance, and partnership with the FDA and USDA.

- The Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity (DNPAO) funds 25 states in addressing obesity problems and other chronic diseases. The focus of the programs is to impact policy and environmental changes via an increase in fruit and vegetable consumption and physical activity.
Michigan’s NPAO program provides grants to 20 local health departments and works with local groups in Detroit and other Michigan cities to address these problems. Some responses initiated by the programs have included: improvement to community gardens, improvement to walking trails, making school lunches more healthy, and increasing the fruit, vegetable, and low-fat dairy options at area gas stations and convenience stores.

Federal Contact: 404-639 – 3311
http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/

Michigan Contact: Gwendoline Imes
Program Coordinator, Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Control
Michigan Department of Community Health
Telephone: 517-335-9492
imesg@michigan.gov
www.michigan.gov/preventobesity

II. U.S. Department of Agriculture

A. Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)

Regulates all meat, poultry, and processed egg products that are imported or involved in interstate commerce.

Michigan Contact: Paul Kiecker, 608-240-4080

B. Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS)

APHIS is responsible for the health and care of all animals and plants. Provides international services such as regulation of imports and exports, biotechnology, and emergency preparedness and response.

- For more information, visit:
  http://www.aphis.usda.gov/about_aphis/

C. Agricultural Marketing Service

Establishing quality and condition standards for dairy, fruit, vegetable, livestock, meat, poultry, and egg products.

- Administers grading, certification, and verification.
  - For more information on standards, grading, and certification, visit:
- Regulates plants, foods and their labeling by oversight of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, the Federal Seed Act, the Plant Variety Protection program, the Shell Egg Surveillance Program, and the Country of Origin Labeling Program:

  o For more information on regulatory programs, visit: http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateA&navID=FairTradingRegulations&leftNav=FairTradingRegulations&page=FairTradingRegulations&acct=AMSPW

- Provides information on starting a Farmers Market, local and federal networking resources, and grant opportunities through USDA’s Know Your Farmer Know Your Food initiative.

  o For more information on farmers markets and local food marketing, visit: http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateA&navID=WholesaleandFarmersMarkets&leftNav=WholesaleandFarmersMarkets&page=WholesaleAndFarmersMarkets&acct=AMSPW

- Engages in commodity purchasing in support of the National School Lunch Program and other food assistance programs, in addition to help to stabilize prices in the agricultural commodity markets.

  o For more information on commodity purchasing, visit: http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateQ&navID=CommodityPurchasing&leftNav=CommodityPurchasing&page=CommodityPurchasing&acct=AMSPW

- Administers the National Organic Program, providing standards, certification and accreditation of organics.


- Provides information on marketing orders and agreements to help provide stability in the markets for fruits, vegetables, specialty crops, and dairy products. Marketing orders are legal agreements that are commenced by industry and helps to stabilize markets for certain products, help to maintain quality of produce being marketed, standardize packages and advertising, and regulate flow of a product to the market. Marketing orders are binding on all individuals and businesses who are classified as “handlers” in the area covered by the order. Federal marketing orders are locally administered.

  o For more information on marketing orders and agreements: http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/ams.fetchTemplateData.do?template=TemplateA&navID=MarketingOrders&leftNav=MarketingOrders&page=MarketingOrders&acct=AMSPW
- Enforces fair trade regulations such as the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA). PACA protects business dealing in fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables by establishing and regulating fair business practices and assisting companies in resolving disputes. Anyone who buys or sells more than 2,000 pounds of fresh or frozen fruits and vegetables in a day is required to be licensed under PACA.
  
  o For more information on fair trade regulations, visit:
    http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSv1.0/PACA

D. Farm Services Agency (FSA)

  Provides conservation and disaster assistance programs, economic and policy analysis, energy programs, farm loan programs, and environmental and cultural resource compliance.

  - FSA makes farm ownership and operating loans to family-sized farmers who can’t obtain commercial credit from a bank, operates a number of assistance programs, and provides crop insurance and disaster insurance.

  o For more information on insurance and disaster assistance, visit:

  o For more information on farm loan programs, visit:

  Contact:

E. Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

  Administers the Child and Adult Care Food Program, the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, the Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program, the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, National School Lunch Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program, and the Emergency Food Assistance Program, and WIC, among many others.

  Programs and Services:
    http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/services.htm

III. Department of Commerce

National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration (NOAA)

  The NOAA regulates seafood for safety and quality.

  Contact: http://www.noaa.gov/about-noaa.html
IV. Environmental Protection Agency

The EPA, among many other things, regulates the use of pesticides and maximum allowable residue levels on food commodities and animal feed.

- Pesticides are regulated under the Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). These acts regulate the sale, use, and licensing of pesticides and provides maximum tolerances for pesticide use, as well as oversight of the worker protection standards. Pesticides are predominately licensed and regulated at the state level, but usage must still comply with federal standards.

Contact: http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/

V. Federal Trade Commission

The FTC works to prevent unfair and deceptive acts or practices, regulates deceptive food marketing, studies the effect of methods of food marketing, and enforces unfair and deceptive labeling.

- For more information on the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act, visit: http://www.ftc.gov/os/statutes/fplajump.shtm

Contact: http://www.ftc.gov/index.shtml
Detroit City Code – Food Relevant Code Provisions

| Animals | 6-1-12 | It is unlawful for a person to own, harbor, keep, maintain, sell, or transfer of farm animals on their premises or at a public place within the City.
  
  Farm animals include, but are not limited to: cows, donkey, goats, horse, llama, mule, pony, poultry, sheep, swine, or any animal held or raised for purpose of food or other commercial consumption |
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| Animal Overcrowding; Proper Living Conditions | 6-4-1 | It shall be unlawful for any person to overcrowd rabbits, domestic fowl, poultry or any other animals in any crate, box, or other receptacle.
  
  It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to provide proper food, water, shelter or sanitation to rabbits, domestic fowl, poultry, or any other animal |

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<td>Sale of unwholesome food or drink prohibited</td>
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<td>Permanent Structure Required</td>
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<td>No person shall operate for the purpose of selling food, unless such business is operated in a permanent structure that meets the requirements of the building code, except for mobile food services and temporary food operations that have prior approval from the city council, department of health and department of consumer affairs.</td>
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<td>Doors and Windows</td>
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<td>Provision applies to unlicensed food establishments</td>
<td>21-3-39</td>
<td>The provisions of this article shall also apply to any food establishment or food operation which is not required to have a license under this article. However, those food establishments or food operations which are already required to have a license under any of the provisions of the Code, now in effect, are excepted.</td>
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<td>License Required</td>
<td>21-3-52</td>
<td>No person shall engage in the business of conducting a food establishment in the city without first having obtained a license therefor from the city.</td>
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<td>Department of Health Certificate Required</td>
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<td>Before a license will be issued, the applicant must first obtain a certificate from the department of health approving the food establishment and pay all applicable fees as required by the Code and provisions 55-57 of this chapter.</td>
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<td>Protection of Meat</td>
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<td>No person shall transport through any thoroughfare in the city any meat product unless covered and maintained in a clean condition.</td>
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<td>Sale of unhealthful products prohibited</td>
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<td>No person shall sell or deliver for sale in the city any meat containing an unhealthful ingredient or that has been near diseased animal or food product.</td>
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<td>Inspection of Meat and Other Food</td>
<td>21-5</td>
<td>Unwholesome meat, meat food products, poultry or any other article used for human food that is nauseous or unsound shall not be sold or offered to keep for sale within the city. Inspector shall be appointed.</td>
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<td>Inspection of Poultry &amp; Required Licensing</td>
<td>21-6</td>
<td>Poultry must be inspected by the department of health prior to sale and poultry that does substantially conform to the sanitary requirements in the code shall not be brought or sold within the city. A license is required for poultry dealers.</td>
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<td>Licensees liable for acts of servants</td>
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<td>The acts of any servant, employee or agent of the person licensed under this article shall be considered the acts of such person.</td>
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<td>All vendors seeking application for commissary, mobile food service establishment, pushcart and food preparation vendor licenses shall be inspected by the public health director. A license is required and all individuals operating licensed mobile food service establishments including pushcarts must obtain a food-handler from the health department.</td>
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<td>Commissary Requirements</td>
<td>21-10-1</td>
<td>A commissary is a catering establishment, restaurant or other place were food, containers, or supplies are kept, handled, prepared, packaged or stored for use. Commissaries must be licensed and mobile food establishments and/or pushcarts shall be returned to the commissary at least once each day in operation and shall be returned for storage when not in use.</td>
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<td>Items approved for Vending</td>
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<td>Mobile food service establishments and/or pushcarts may only prepare and serve frankfurters and non-potentially hazardous food and beverages. All packaged food shall be labeled.</td>
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<th><em>Market, municipal market, public market and farmer's market</em> shall be considered synonymous and shall mean such municipally controlled and operated public market places as have been or may be designated by the city council whereon facilities are provided and rented primarily for the display and sale of farm produce.</th>
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<td>Public markets, including farmer’s markets, shall be under the supervision and control of the director of purchasing, who is also authorized to prescribe the rules and regulations of the market, including the days and hours of operation of the market, and times during which no vehicles shall be on the market grounds. The director shall also have the authority to determine the arrangement of vehicles on market grounds</td>
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<td><strong>Authorized Sales at Markets</strong></td>
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<td>Stall renters shall be allowed to sell on the public markets those products which have been approved by the Market Manager including, but not limited to, wholesome fresh, canned, dried or prepared food products and certain other products of the farm, garden, greenhouse, apiary or of the forest, such as poultry, domesticated rabbits, flowers, plants, nuts, herbs, hay, straw, Christmas trees and greens, provided, that in so doing, they shall comply with all the provisions of this Code and other rules and regulations relating thereto, provided further, that all live poultry, rabbits and other animals authorized for sale on the market shall be confined in approved crates. Merchandise or goods of other nature including, but not limited to, clothing, jewelry, small electronics, books, and crafts, which shall be approved by the Market Manager, and may be sold by producers, street vendors,</td>
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<td>Stall spaces shall be rented either by the day or by the year for use during certain market sessions. All rentals shall be made with the understanding that the rights of the renter may be cancelled for failure to comply with rules and regulations of the market. The rental rates shall be approved by the city council.</td>
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<td>The director of purchasing may require specific data about a renter's business before renting a stall to a renter, if deemed necessary for the protection of the public welfare and the proper administration of the public markets.</td>
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<td>No person renting a stall space on a public market shall sell, sublet or assign such space or any privileges pertaining thereto, except with the prior written approval of the director of purchasing.</td>
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<td>Sales Slips, receipts and signs may be required by director of purchasing</td>
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<td>Director of purchasing may require that sellers deliver to buyers approved sales slips, receipts, or contracts for future delivery. Signage may be required to be displayed in the rental stall space.</td>
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<td>Grade names, descriptions and prices of products</td>
<td>31-1-12</td>
<td>The director of purchasing is authorized to fix, in the rules and regulations authorized by this chapter, the market grades and descriptions under which various products shall be displayed and sold on the public markets, and to require the proper display of grade names, descriptions and prices.</td>
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<td>Food Concession</td>
<td>31-1-13</td>
<td>The division of purchasing is authorized to conduct, on any of the municipal markets, eating places which will provide the buyers and sellers on the market with suitable accommodations of this nature; or, in its discretion, it may rent such facilities, under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe, to a private party. When such action is made effective, no person shall display, offer for sale on the grounds or in buildings thereon any prepared foods or beverages designed for the immediate consumption of the buyers and sellers on the markets, but it shall be understood that the refectory privileges on the public markets, whether operated by the division of purchasing or by a private party, carry with them the exclusive right to sell such foods and beverages on the markets.</td>
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<td>Payment for Purchases</td>
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<td>No person shall remove any products, containers for products, or any other property from the vehicle of or the display space allotted to any person who sells on the public markets without previously having purchased and paid for</td>
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or without previously having made arrangements satisfactory to the seller for the purchase or transfer of such products, containers or other property.

<p>| Disposal of Garbage and Trash | 31-1-15 | No person shall deposit vegetable refuse or other garbage, broken crates, boxes, barrels or pieces thereof, paper or other rubbish on the public markets, nor burn any such garbage or rubbish on such markets; provided, that any person actually engaged in buying or selling produce at such markets, whose vehicle is legally parked therein, may deposit vegetable refuse, paper, broken crated, cardboard boxes and other burnable rubbish in places which may be provided for these specific purposes; provided further that no person shall transport garbage or any refuse whatsoever from other places for disposal in the public markets. |
| Sales to be made by stall renters only | 31-1-16 | No person, except stall renters who are authorized to operate only during market hours, shall sell, transfer or handle produce or any other goods on any part of public market property, either during or outside of market hours; provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent wholesale produce merchants with established places of business in the immediate area from delivering their produce on market property in hand propelled trucks; provided further, that the director of purchasing may issue special permits, upon payment of suitable fees, whenever in his opinion such action is desirable. |
| Regulation for parking of vehicles | 31-1-17 | Details regulations for parking vehicles on market grounds. |
| Inspection of Foods | 31-1-18 | All products sold or bought on the public markets of the city shall be open to the inspection of duly authorized municipal or state health officials and the officials of the public market. No food product shall be offered for sale, displayed or sold on the public markets of the city which is unwholesome or unfit for human consumption. |
| Police Supervision | 31-1-19 | The police department shall furnish such police supervision as is necessary on the public markets. |
| Sales Restricted on Streets Near Markets | 31-1-20 | No farm produce or merchandise of other nature shall be sold by producers, street vendors, merchants or other persons on the areas provided for vehicular parking on public market property or on the City streets, alleys or sidewalks within a radius of five hundred (500) feet from the boundaries of any public market, except as otherwise permitted by this Code, provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent wholesale produce merchants with established places of business from displaying their produce on the sidewalk in front of their stores and selling the same in accordance with the |</p>
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<td>All persons who work for a public market must be approved and registered.</td>
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<td>No person shall post on any public building or structure at a public market any advertising material, political, religious or otherwise, nor shall any person, except as may otherwise be provided by this chapter or other provisions of this Code, beg, loiter or solicit patronage for any business nor shall any person sell or attempt to sell, display or demonstrate any goods, merchandise, real estate, animals, vehicles or other materials, nor shall any person distribute advertising or other printed material, cards, handbills or pamphlets for commercial purposes, in any public market.</td>
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<td>Use of hand carts</td>
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<td>No person, during public market business hours, shall have or propel on a buyers' walk on the public markets any hand cart or other wheeled vehicle, except baby cabs carrying babies; provided, that this prohibition shall not apply to approved hand trucks used on the eastern municipal markets in the delivery of farm produce from seller to buyer during the hours designated in market regulations.</td>
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<td>Minors on Market Property</td>
<td>31-1-25</td>
<td>No children under eighteen (18) years of age shall be allowed on public market property during the hours that buying and selling operations are being conducted, unless accompanied by a parent, guardian or employer, or unless they can furnish proof that they have been sent to the market by a parent, guardian or employer for the purpose of buying market produce; provided, that this section shall not apply to workers on the public markets who are approved and registered under the provisions of this chapter.</td>
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