

REGULATION 2-2026

REGULATION ADOPTING REVISED LOCAL FEES FOR FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS AND RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS, INCLUDING TEMPORARY, VENDING, AND MOBILE OPERATIONS

The Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District met in regular session on September 14, 2026, with the following members present:

Dan Meloy, President

Present

Max Miller, Vice President

Present

Eric Knapp

Present

Elizabeth A. Kelly, M.D.

Present

Mark Rosenberger

Present

Mr. Miller

moved for adoption of the following regulation:

Regulation 2-2026 Adopting Revised Local Fees Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 3709.09, 3709.21, 3717.25 and 3717.45 for food service operations and retail food establishments, including temporary, vending, and mobile operations.

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District has the authority pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 3709.09, 3709.21, 3717.25 and 3717.45 to establish a uniform system of fees for services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District is mandated to provide services that protect the public health and prevent disease; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District has determined it is necessary to revise the fees for food service operations and retail food establishments, including temporary, vending, and mobile operations pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3717, Ohio Administrative Code 3701-21, Ohio Revised Code 3717.01, and Ohio Administrative Code 901:3-4; and

WHEREAS, any entity that would be affected by the revision to the fees for food service operations and retail food establishments, including temporary, vending, and mobile operations were advised by the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District at least twenty (20) days prior to the September 14, 2026, hearing pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3717.25(A) and 3717.45(A); and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District hereby adopts Regulation 2-2026, revising the local fee schedule as

follows for food service operations and retail food establishments, including temporary, vending, and mobile operations, effective December 1, 2026:

Local Fees:

<u>FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS & RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS</u>	Health District Fee
Commercial Food Facilities Less Than 25,000 sq ft	
Risk Level 1	\$235.00
Risk Level 2	\$259.00
Risk Level 3	\$460.00
Risk Level 4	\$572.00
Commercial Food Facilities Greater Than 25,000 sq ft	
Risk Level 1	\$322.00
Risk Level 2	\$336.00
Risk Level 3	\$1,091.00
Risk Level 4	\$1,154.00
Mobile High-Risk	\$102.00
Mobile Low-Risk	\$51.00
Vending	\$8.52
Temporary	\$73.00

State Fees: In addition to the local fee for a license, a state fee portion, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, will be added.

Late Fees: If a payment of a fee is not received by the day on which payment is due, the board of health shall assess a penalty pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District hereby finds by a vote of at least three-fourths of its members, this regulation may be read only once and the requirement that it be read on three different days may be dispensed with as provided by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any previous regulation, rule or policy adopted by the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District, that in any way conflicts with this regulation in part or in whole is rescinded and repealed in part or in whole to the extent of any conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by this Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District, that this regulation be published in one newspaper of general circulation within the Hamilton County General Health District once a week for two consecutive weeks and that the first publication take place no later than ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the regulation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this regulation were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirement, including section 121.22 Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Knapp seconded the regulation, upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Dan Meloy, President

Yes

Max Miller, Vice President

Yes

Eric Knapp

Yes

Elizabeth A. Kelly, M.D.

Yes

Mark Rosenberger

Yes

Board of Health of the Hamilton County General Health District



Dan Meloy, President

9/14/2026
Date

Attest:



Greg Kesterman, Health Commissioner

9/14/2026
Date

This regulation was approved as to form by the office of the Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney, Connie Pillich, Prosecutor.

By:



Nee Fong Chin
Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

September 14, 2026
Date



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Re: Regulation 2-2026: Regulation Adopting Revised Local Fees for Food Service Operations and Retail Food Establishments, Including Temporary, Vending, and Mobile Operations

Dear Commissioner Kesterman:

I have reviewed the above Regulation 2-2026: Regulation Adopting Revised Local Fees for Food Service Operations and Retail Food Establishments, Including Temporary, Vending and Mobile Operations. I now approve the Regulation as to form.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nee Fong Chin
Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney