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D.L.C.A. Warning Individuals With Mobile Food Service Licenses To Remove Their Food Vans At Day's End

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The Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs via press release on Wednesday publicly notified individuals and entities holding mobile food service licenses of the statutory requirement to be mobile. The government agency said that at the end of the business day, all such licensees must remove their mobiles from the location at which they do business.

According to the release, D.L.C.A. says it has observed that many mobile food service providers are in fact immobile and are stationary.

In this situation, these mobile license holders are in fact operating as a restaurant which requires a restaurant license. D.L.C.A. says it's placing all such entities on notice that it shall be monitoring and inspecting for compliance with the statute. Individuals or entities so situated are given 90 days within which to come into compliance with statutory requirements regarding mobile food service licenses, according to the release. Those individuals and entities may elect to apply for a Restaurant B license in lieu of the mobile food service license.

The agency concluded by stating that it appreciates the understanding and cooperation of the public and business owners to accommodate the needs of consumers and meet industry standards.

For answers to questions and concerns regarding this change, interested persons are advised to call St. Thomas 340.714.3522, St. John 340.693.8036, St. Croix 340.713.3522.