

## Mobile Catering Company Exemption Requirements

A mobile catering company may be granted a one year exemption for Transport Refrigeration Units (TRUs) that are not compliant with the in-use performance standards if the following conditions are met:

1. The mobile catering company must be under contract with the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) to provide mobile catering food service to emergency incidents for the calendar year that the exemption would apply;
2. All California-based TRUs shall comply with the Air Resources Board Equipment Registration (ARBER) registration requirements and have an ARB Identification Number (IDN) affixed to both sides of the TRU housing<sup>1</sup>. All TRUs owned by the mobile catering company that are based outside of California that the owner wants included in the mobile catering company exemption must be registered in ARBER; and
3. The mobile catering company must submit an application each year for a Mobile Catering Company Exemption to ARB with a copy of the mobile catering company's contract with the NIFC. The contract term must cover the calendar year that the requested exemption would apply to. The entire NIFC contract is not needed. Only the pages of the contract showing the following are required:
  - Form 30 Amendment of Solicitation/Modification of Contract, signed by NIFC Contracting Officer;
  - Title page of the National Mobile Food Services Contract, with the year of the contract; and
  - Pages of section B with the National Food Service Unit Summary that lists the applicant's mobile catering service contract, contact information, NIFC contract number, designated dispatch points, kitchen units, equipment types and unit numbers.

Mobile Catering Company Exemptions expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Application information must be updated within 30 days of any changes to the information submitted. For example, if the owner buys or sells TRUs during the period of exemption, the IDN and unit serial number list must be amended.

Upon receipt of the mobile catering exemption from ARB the owner shall provide the driver with a copy of the current Mobile Catering Service Exemption that has been approved by ARB and the Mobile Food and Shower Service Request Form issued by NIFC for the incident they are traveling to or from.

During transit on California roads, the driver must, upon request by ARB or an ARB designated representative:

1. Present to the ARB inspector the Mobile Catering Service Exemption that has been approved by the Executive Officer and the Mobile Food and Shower Service Request Form issued by NIFC; and
2. Allow the ARB inspector to inspect the TRU to confirm the Mobile Catering Service exemption applies to the equipment.
3. All circumstances at the time of inspection shall be consistent with the Mobile Catering Service Exemption that has been approved by ARB and the Mobile Food and Shower Service Request Form issued by NIFC.

<sup>1</sup> See TRU Advisory 08-10 for information on the requirements for affixing IDNs to the TRU housing.

## Annual Mobile Catering Company Exemption from In-Use Performance Standards for Transport Refrigeration Units

An annual exemption may be granted to permit a noncompliant Transport Refrigeration Unit (TRU) or TRU gen set to provide mobile catering food service while meeting specific conditions. The mobile catering company and the drivers of the exempt equipment must meet all of the requirements listed on instruction page of this form to qualify for this exemption. The application can be electronically delivered by email to [arber@arb.ca.gov](mailto:arber@arb.ca.gov) or mailed to:

California Air Resources Board  
 TTD/ARBER/TRU  
 1001 I Street  
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Please provide information below:

1. Business name
2. Business Federal Tax Identification Number (EIN)
3. Mailing address
4. City  4. State  5. Zip Code
6. Contact name
7. Contact phone
8. Contact email
9. Business Owner Operator Number (OON) from ARBER

10. Please list the ARB IDNs issued and/or unit serial numbers for all TRUs included under the exemptions. For TRUs that are not in compliance with the in-use standards, and therefore do not have an ARB IDN, provide the unit serial number. If you are applying for exemption for more than 4 TRUs, please attach a sheet listing all the equipment to be affected.

ARB Identification Number (IDN)	Unit Serial Number

I have included a copy of my contract with the National Interagency Fire Center

**I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided is true, accurate, and complete. Mailed applications must include a signature. Emailed applications require the applicant to type their name in the signature box below, which will have the same legal effect.**

Signature below

Date