TEMPORARY FOOD FACILITY BOOTH CONSTRUCTION

At minimum, all temporary food facilities must have approved flooring and overhead protection. If unpackaged food is prepared, the temporary food facility must be fully enclosed with 4 sidewalls.

FLOORING:
Floor must be smooth and cleanable, such as concrete, asphalt, tight wood or located inside buildings.
- If the booth will be located on grass, dirt, decomposed granite, or other porous material, additional flooring material such as a tarp or tight wood, must be provided.

- While the above-flooring materials are approved by this department, the local Fire Department may not approve the use of blue poly-tars in cooking booths as they are considered flammable. Check with the local Fire Department for their requirements.

OVERHEAD PROTECTION:
Overhead protection (wood, canvas or other materials) must be provided to protect the facility from precipitation, dust, bird and insect droppings, and other contaminants. Activities allowed under a canopy only (no sidewalls required) include:
- Selling pre-packaged foods only.
  - Examples: bottled sauces, containers of hummus, tamales (in husk).
- Sampling pre-packaged or pre-portioned food samples. Examples:
  - Sauce (stored in squeeze bottles) is distributed into a sample cup for customer.
  - Pre-cut bread cubes (prepared in approved kitchen and stored in a shaker bottle) are dispensed to the customer. Oil (from bottle with pour spout) is drizzled over bread sample.
  - Dip pita chip (stored in food compartment) into hummus and serve to customer.
- Storing pre-portioned, unpackaged food items (e.g., cookies, cupcakes, donuts, samosas) in food compartments; served by operator to customers upon order using tongs or tissue. No self-service.
  - Food compartment must be of solid construction with a tight-fitting lid/door and must fully enclose all food, food-contact surfaces and the handling (service) of non-prepackaged food.

ENCLOSURE/SIDE WALLS:
A fully-enclosed booth with 4 sidewalls is required for operations conducting food preparation activities, such as food assembly, portioning, slicing, cooking, etc.

Food preparation examples:
- Slicing food (e.g., cake, bread, pies) and serving to customer.
- Scooping food (e.g., ice cream, salsa, soup) and serving to customer.
- Mixing a packet of spices/seasonings into sour cream.

Construction:
- Booth sidewalls shall be tight-fitting with no gaps, except for window openings.
- Screening shall be at least 16 mesh per square inch.
- Window openings are limited to 216 square inches (approximately 1 foot x 1.5 feet) and shall be spaced at least 18 inches apart.