



PUBLIC HEALTH PERMIT APPLICATION
MICROENTERPRISE HOME KITCHEN OPERATION (MEHKO)

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Homebased Food Operations Program
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Please fill out each section completely by printing or completing the fillable PDF. Refer to the list of required documents to be submitted with this application, and instructions for payment. Application will be reviewed within 20 business days of receipt.

Date of Application: _____

MEHKO INFORMATION			
BUSINESS NAME:			
BUSINESS ADDRESS:	UNIT:	CITY:	ZIP CODE:
OWNER'S NAME:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:		PHONE #:

BILLING				
<input type="checkbox"/> Send invoice to business address <input type="checkbox"/> Send invoice to address below				
ADDRESS:	UNIT:	CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:

FEES	
<i>Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.</i>	FEES
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial Application Review: first home kitchen evaluation, application, review of the Standard Operating Procedures, and review of menu (One-time fee)*	\$597
<input type="checkbox"/> Site evaluation fee for changes made to the menu or equipment after initial approval (hourly)	\$167
Total Due:	

***Note:** You will be contacted to schedule a Home Kitchen Evaluation. If the home kitchen is approved, a **MEHKO Public Health Permit fee of \$347 will be invoiced** to the operator. The Permit fee is due within **30 calendar days** of the kitchen approval. [Do not submit your payment for this fee until you receive an invoice.](#)

Failure to pay the fees due constitutes a violation of Title 8 –Consumer Protection, Business, and Wage Regulation of the Los Angeles County Code and may result in additional penalty fees.

INITIAL APPLICATION REVIEW SUBSIDY
For a limited time, Los Angeles County is offering a one-time subsidy on a first-come, first-serve basis for up to 1,000 MEHKO permittees. The subsidy will waive the initial application review fee of \$597. The subsidy is available through June 30, 2026, or until the subsidy funds are exhausted.