



You will be inspected on the aspects described by the **Information for Mobile Food Units (MFU's)**.

Use this **Self-assessment Checklist for Mobile Food Units (MFU's)** as a quick guide to start. If you need more details, refer to the **Information** Section

Bring the following documents :

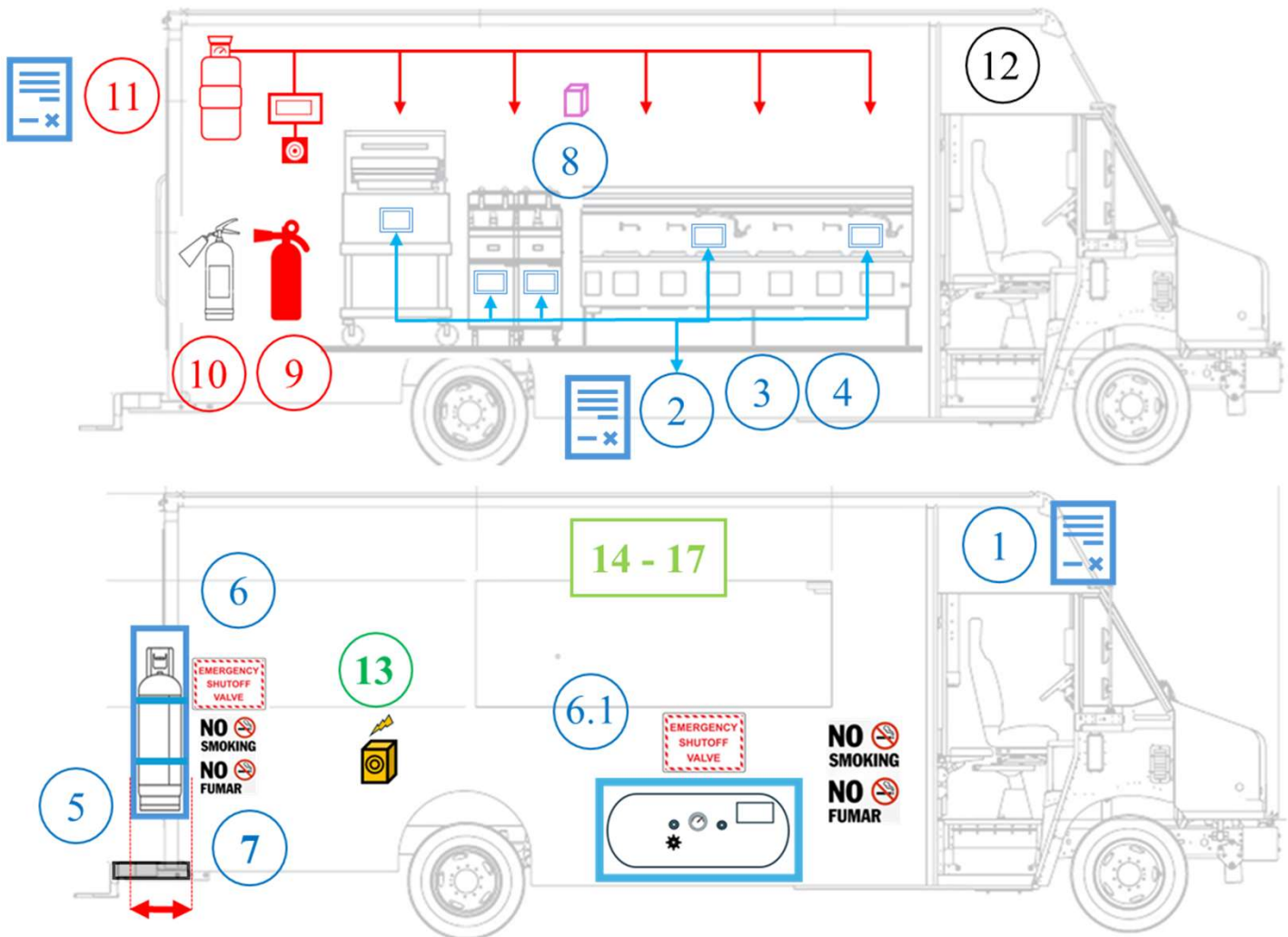
- ☐ LP-Gas Annual Permit L1 Acknowledgment of Payment.
- ☐ LP-Gas Appliance(s) inspection report. *It's the invoice given to you by the commissary.*
- ☐ Kitchen Fire Suppression System(KSS) inspection report. *It's the invoice from the Fire Service Company.*



Confirm that:

- ☐ You arrive on time to your appointment. **10-minute grace will be given. No extensions.**
- ☐ The LP-Gas permit is less than 90 days old.
- ☐ The LP-Gas appliances are tagged, and the inspection occurred in the previous 90 days.
- ☐ The KSS and the extinguishers are tagged and will not expire 2 weeks after the inspection.
- ☐ The Ventilation System has no gaps, and the grease traps are present, operational, and clean.
- ☐ The LP-Gas Cylinder is nested and protected from falling, car accidents or bystanders.
- ☐ The "No Fumar" sign is present.
- ☐ The electrical cables are not damaged, exposed or unprotected from water –especially under the sink-.

Compare your MFU to the applicable numbers in the drawing and ensure that the requirements are covered.





1 Do I need an LP-Gas Permit?

- If you cook with **LP-Gas** (*Propane, Butane, Isobutane*), then you need an LP-Gas Permit.
- If you prepare food **without heat** –pre-packaged, cold or drinks- or **NOT using LP-Gas** as fuel source –charcoal or alcohol- then you do NOT need an LP-Gas Permit.
- If you need one, Apply for a **MFU's L1 Annual Permit** for commercial cooking at the **Houston Permitting Center**.
- **Bring your receipt.**



To obtain it, apply for an L1 LP-Gas Annual Permit for Mobile Food Units (MFUs) for commercial cooking at *The Houston Permitting Center* located on 1002 Washington Ave., Houston, TX, 77002, 832-394-8811, houstonpermittingcenter.org (Monday-Friday, 8:00 am –3:30 pm). Your MFU does not need to be driven to *The Houston Permitting Center*

2 Get your LP-Gas Appliances Inspected.

- If you cook on a range, stove, griddle, fryer, oven, warmer or other LP-Gas Appliance, get them inspected by a company accredited by *The Railroad Commission of Texas*.
- **Bring your receipt.**

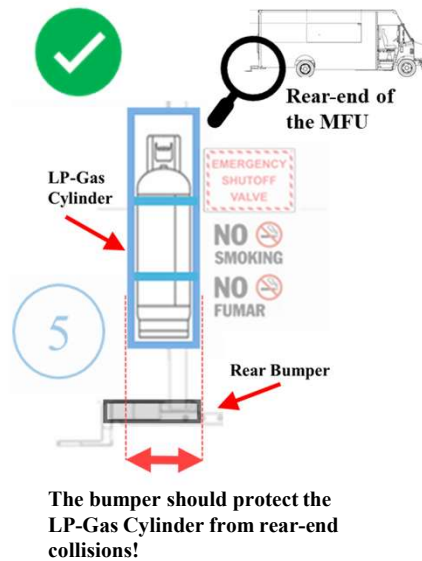


3 All your LP-Gas Appliances should be secured to the MFU.

- Your range, stove, griddle, fryer, oven, warmer or other LP-Gas Appliance should be secured so it does not wiggle, shake or move.

4 All your LP-Gas Lines should be in use or capped off.

5 LP-Gas Cylinders should be upright and secured from falling, car crashes or bystanders.



The Bumper **does NOT** protect the LP-Gas Cylinder from rear-end collisions!



6 LP-Gas Cylinders should have a visible and accessible shut-off valve.

6.1 All California Style Food Trucks must have a Shut-Off Valve sign.



7 Have a "No Smoking – No Fumar" sign near the cylinders.





8 Have an LPG - Explosive Gases Alarm installed.

- Do NOT get a Carbon Monoxide Alarm or a Smoke Detector & Install as per manufacturer instructions.

9 Have one Fire Extinguisher Type ABC 3A:40BC. Inspected and Tagged.



10 If you Deep-Fry, then have one Fire Extinguisher Type K 2A:K. Inspected and Tagged.



11 If your cooking produces grease laden vapor, your MFU shall have an Automatic Kitchen Fire Suppression System (KSS). Inspected and Tagged.

- Get them inspected by a company accredited by *the Texas State Fire Marshal's Office*.
- Bring your Receipt



The **Double-male connection** is also known as "The Suicide Cord" or "The Widow-maker".



12 If your cooking produces grease laden vapor, your MFU shall have a Ventilation System.

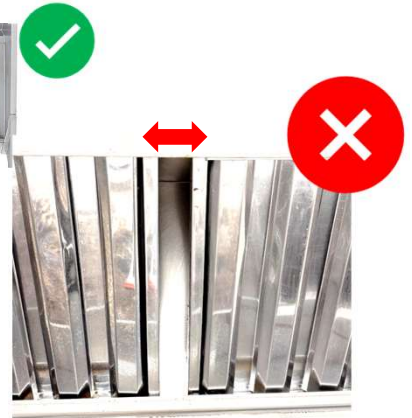
- Absolutely NO gaps!** Make sure the filters provide full coverage.
- Regulate the band for the motor to avoid suctioning the filters.
- The grease rail must have a drain into the pan.
- All Lighting in the hood must be protected from grease. **Vapor proof / Explosion proof lighting ONLY.**



No gaps between the filters or at the end of the System!



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13 Your MFU shall have a male inlet for service-entry power supply, secured to the MFU, in a weather rated casing or a direct connection to the breaker box.



- Do NOT use a double-male connection.**



Gas Equipment Inspection Companies

14 All MFU's electrical cables are protected from physical damage.

- Do NOT run cables through water or in damp areas unless they are weatherproof. **Water and Electricity cannot mix!**

15 Power supply cords are not attached to surfaces, do not run through window or door openings and do not substitute fixed wiring.

16 No electrical open wiring observed.



17 No other electrical hazards were observed during the inspection.

- Do NOT use a junction box as an adaptor for service-entry power supply.
- Do NOT overload plug sockets or extension cords.
- Old or Damaged wiring need upgrading.
- Water and Electricity cannot mix!**



- Invoice MUST have your Business Name, VIN or License Plate and Medallion Number, if you have one for the MFU.

Bring your invoice to the inspection.

R&R Propane

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13146 Mills River, Houston, TX, 77070
832-671-9258

Mi Jalisco Commissary

Contact: Raul
10602 Bauman St., Houston, TX, 77076
281-831-4100

Houston MFU Services

Contact: Anthony
281-399-4352

Southwest Commissary

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8331 Beechnut Ave., Houston, TX, 77036
713-772-2000

Diana's Commissary

Contact: Oscar Lazo
13515 South Post Oak Rd., Houston, TX, 77045
281-914-6275

El Castillo Commissary

6345 Skyline Dr Unit A, Houston, TX 77057
832-732-3486

Tex Star Commissary

Contact: Mounier Zahra
502 E. Rogers St., Houston, TX, 77022

Fire Extinguisher Service Companies

- If your Fire Suppression system has been installed for the first time, make sure the paperwork is either attached to the system or have it on hand.

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A-1 Fire Equipment

12711 East Freeway, Houston, TX, 77015
713-455-0296

AAA Fire Equipment Co.

7707 Bissonnet St., Suite #110, Houston, TX, 77074
713-777-6655

Fire Extinguisher Services

7714 Glover St., Houston, TX, 77012
713-644-5151

Buckeye Fire Equipment

6226 Brookhill Dr., Houston, TX, 77087
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