

# New License Fees- FAQ

## **Retail Food, Food Service and Mobile Licenses**



**Q:** Have food and hotel license fees changed?

**A:** Yes, Iowa Legislature passed a food license fee increase on May 16, 2018.

**Q:** Did the mobile food unit license fees increase?

**A:** Yes, a mobile license fee will be \$250 and renewed annually.

**Q:** When do the new license fees take effect?

**A:** January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

**Q:** Will the license renewal form change for 2019?

**A:** Yes, updated renewal forms will be provided for license renewals after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

**Q:** Will we still need to provide gross annual sales for food license renewals?

**A:** Yes, gross annual sales will determine the license fees. If no proof of gross annual sales is provided, the maximum license fee will be applied.

**Q:** If my establishment has both a Food Service and Retail Food License, how do I determine the annual license fee?

**A:** Provide gross annual sales for both Food Service (taxable) and Retail Food (non-taxable) licenses. Whichever license has more gross annual

sales will determine the license fee the establishment falls under. An additional \$150 will be added for the second license.

(SEE EXAMPLE)

**EXAMPLE:**

If the Retail Food Service License gross annual sales are \$800,000 and the Food Service License gross annual sales are \$150,000. The Retail Food License sales are more, therefore the license fee is **\$400 + \$150 = \$550.**

Retail Food:

Gross Annual Sales	License Fee
Less than \$250,000	\$ 150.00
Between \$250,000 and \$750,000	300.00
<b>\$750,000 or more</b>	<b>400.00</b>

Annual Retail Food sales are **\$800,000.**

Food Service

Gross Annual Sales	License Fee
Less than \$100,000	\$ 150.00
Between \$100,000 and \$500,000	300.00
\$500,000 or more	400.00

Annual Food Service sales are \$150,000.

**Less than Retail Food sales, so flat rate of \$150 for second license.**

**Total license fee is \$550.**