

MDA Related License Link

You must obtain a Retail Food Establishment license from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for Bakeries, Butcher Shops, Food Shelves, Food Salvage operations, Food Vending and machines, Groceries, Convenience Stores and Food manufacturing operations. Go to these links for licensing and plan review information and application forms:

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/en/about/phonelist/dairyfood.aspx> Contacts page

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/food/business/plan-review.aspx> MDA plan review link

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/licensing/e-licensing-options.aspx> MDA licensing link

http://mn.gov/elicense/licenses/licensedetail.jsp?URI=tcm:29-3207&CT_URI=tcm:27-117-32 MN State licensing link

Contact the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for questions about Farmers Markets at:

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/food/business/farmersmarket.aspx> Farmers Market link

Any business that wants to remodel an existing building, build a new business or structure, change the use of a property or residence must also contact the City of St Paul. A facilitator needs to determine if plans must be submitted to the City for approvals and to assure that all Planning, Zoning, Trade permits and applicable City Licenses are properly applied for. It is required that certain approvals are provided before any construction or work begins. Contact the City at:

<http://www.stpaul.gov/index.aspx?NID=3016>

City permits are required for Remodeling, plumbing, electrical work, ventilation work, gas line work, utilities, alcohol sales, tobacco sales, signage, building changes, construction and others. Contact the City at <http://www.stpaul.gov/index.aspx?NID=3016> if you are looking into starting a new business or taking over an existing business.