

Food Stands Operated by a Minor

[Iowa Code 137F.1 Definition #15.](#)

“Stand operated by a minor” means a stand or other facility operated by a person or persons under the age of eighteen at which food is sold directly to consumers that is not time/temperature control for safety food or an alcoholic beverage and that operates on a temporary and occasional basis on private property with the permission of the owner of the property.

The definition of a Food Establishment does not include a **“Stand operated by a minor”**.

Therefore, a food operation that meets the definition of a “stand operated by a minor”, will not require a license from Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals or Local Contracting Health Department and is not subject to food safety regulations. The legislation also prohibits any other municipality or regulatory authority from requiring a license, permit or a fee for a food stand operated by a minor as long as it meets the definition.

Use the following chart to determine if a food stand meets the definition of a **“Stand operated by a minor”**

