

04 Check your licenses & permits

What you need depends on what your business does. Requirements may be state or local.



License

Some goods or services cannot be offered to the public unless the business, its owners, or its employees hold a particular license.

Some licenses are issued to the business itself, some to individuals performing the service, and some to both.



Permit

A permit is government approval for a specific activity. For example, a building permit allows construction to take place.

Many permits are obtained locally through your municipality, while others are issued by the state.

YOU MAY NEED ONE, BOTH OR, NEITHER.

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