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## **Mobile Car Wash/Auto Detail General Information**

**Mobile Car Wash/Auto Detail business is administered under Las Vegas Municipal Code 6.54. The following information provides general guidelines for Mobile Car Wash/Auto Detail business. Please refer to the referenced section for detailed information.**

1. **Definition:** Mobile Car Wash/Auto Detail means a business that is conducted from other than a fixed place of business within the City, including operations conducted from a motorized vehicle; engaged in the washing, waxing, cleaning or detailing of motor vehicles; and carried out primarily by means of human effort rather than primarily by mechanical means. **(LVMC 6.54.010)**
2. Each vehicle must be registered and separately licensed with the City of Las Vegas Business Licensing Division. **(LVMC 6.54.020)**
3. A properly registered copy of the DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) registration for the vehicle and/or attached mobile unit or trailer is required. Proof of insurance as required by Nevada law must be made available upon request. **(LVMC 6.54.060)**
4. The business license issued for the specific vehicle or attached mobile unit or trailer must be displayed prominently or made available for inspection at all times that the licensee is providing services. **(LVMC 6.54.020)**
5. Each vehicle used by a mobile car wash/auto detail business will be issued a separate decal (tag) by the Business Licensing Division. The decal must be prominently displayed on the upper left rear portion of the vehicle, mobile unit, or trailer. **(LVMC 6.54.050)**
6. Each licensee that uses a vehicle in its business operation shall display the business name, telephone number and city business license number on at least two sides of the vehicle or on any attached mobile unit or trailer. The required display must be in characters with a minimum height of three inches. **(LVMC 6.54.080)**
7. A Mobile Car Wash/Auto Detail Business is prohibited from:
  - a. Creating a nuisance under LVMC 9.04.
  - b. Washing the exterior of a vehicle upon any public street or public right-of-way, or upon any vacant lot. **(LVMC 6.54.030) (LVMC 13.04.080)**
  - c. Washing or cleaning a motor vehicle engine. **(LVMC 6.54.030) (LVMC 13.04.080)**
  - d. Advertise services are available at a specific location or otherwise invites customers to come to a specific location to receive services provided by the business. **(LVMC 6.54.030)**
  - e. Erect or place advertising of the business at any location the business may operate, except to the extent required in order to comply with LVMC 6.54.080. **(LVMC 6.54.030)**
  - f. Operating at a particular location for more than three hours in any 24-hour period except when washing vehicles consisting of the inventory of a licensed motor vehicle dealer or pursuant to a written agreement with another business to wash vehicles used by that business or belonging to employees of that other business. **(LVMC 6.54.100)**
  - g. Violating any provision of State law or of the Municipal Code pertaining to water conservation.
  - h. Violating any provision of LVMC 14.18 pertaining to the city's storm water system.
  - i. Violating any provision of LVMC 9.16 pertaining to noise.
  - j. Providing services at any location without first having obtained the express written authorization of the owner or authorized tenant of the property. **(LVMC 6.54.090)**
  - k. Operating within a 150 feet of any fixed-location or stationary car wash or detailing business or any location at which any other mobile car wash/auto detail business is providing services during the period of those services. **(LVMC 6.54.110)**

**Note:** An unlicensed mobile car wash/detail operation can be impounded by law enforcement. **(LVMC 6.54.120)**