

## **BOH Forms: #20 Risk-Based Food Inspections SOG**

**Board of Health and Local Health Department Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)** 

This *Checklist* highlights many of the permitting requirements for regulated Massachusetts Food Establishments (FE). By adopting this SOG, BOHs meet FDA Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standard 3 – Inspection Program Based on HACCP Principles. This checklist is designed to be used in tandem with the *MA Retail* Food Code 105 CMR 590.000 that adopts by reference that federal 2013 Food Code and its Supplement (2015) (effective October 5, 2018).

Remember: BOHs may adopt local ordinances, regulation, and town by-laws that are more strict.

☐ BOH Written Food Safety Policies based on FDA Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards
□ Acronyms and Definitions: [Annex 1] □ Code Compliant Application Forms [Alliance has model Application Forms] □ Compliant Permit Forms: [Alliance has model Permit Forms] □ Approved Inspection Form includes in, out, not observed, not applicable; risk factors, enforcement actions [Annex 15] □ Assigned Risk Categories to Food Establishments [Annex 6] □ Assigned Inspection Frequency based on risk [Annex 7] □ Corrective Actions/Risk Control Plans based on risk [Annex 11] □ Variances based on risk requires a HACCP — a variance is no longer required for TPHC by 590.003;2013 FC 3-501.19 □ HACCP Verification and Validation for plans required by Code [Annex 9] □ Risk-Based Inspections Standard Operating Guide (SOG) and Inspector Training and Equipment [This document]
☐ Inspector Competencies
□ 5 Foodborne Illness Risk Factors (Viruses cause the majority of foodborne illness) □ MA Required Trainings: Certified Food Protection Manager (e.g. ServSafe) AND DPH approved inspector training □ Active Managerial Control Interventions □ Tasks Before the Inspection □ Conducting a Risk-based Inspection □ COVID-19 and Other Enhanced Infection Control Plans and Precautions □ Closing Conference with Person in Charge (PIC) □ After the Inspection Steps & Enforcement □ Annexes and other Resource
☐ 5 Foodborne Illness Risk Factors
<ul> <li>FOOD FROM UNSAFE SOURCES/RECEIVING TEMPS</li> <li>INADEQUATE COOKING TEMPERATURES</li> <li>IMPROPER HOLDING TEMPERATURES</li> <li>CONTAMINATED EQUIPMENT</li> <li>POOR PERSONAL HYGIENE</li> </ul>
☐ Active Managerial Control Interventions for Food Establishments – FDA top 10
<ol> <li>Supervision – Demonstration of Knowledge and Food Code Interventions</li> <li>Employee Health – Implementation of Health Policies</li> <li>Good Hygiene Practices – Hands as a Vehicle of Contamination</li> <li>Approved Sources</li> <li>Protection from Contamination</li> <li>Time Temperature Control for Safety (TCS) – Time Temperature Relationships</li> <li>Consumer Advisories</li> <li>Highly Susceptible Populations – Few FE need to consider this</li> <li>Food Additives and Toxic Substances – Applies only to FE that use these</li> <li>Conformance with Approved Procedures - Applies only to FE that use these</li> </ol>
☐ Permit Application Requirements – written applications are required ☐ Owner/Operator Information (New Application required for change of ownership)
Applicant and Ownership Name and Address     Fstablishment Name and Address

☐ Age of Applicant (must be over 18 to sign legal documents)					
☐ PIC (Person in Charge) Information					
	Name and Contact Information				
	Age - must be over 18				
	Certifications (Food Protection Manager, Chokesaver, Allergen Awareness, etc.)				
☐ Fac	ility Details				
	Permits from Fie and Building Inspector				
	Business Permit from the city/town to operate may also be required				
□Оре	eration Details				
	Type or Operation/Permit (Stationary, Mobile, Temporary)				
	Dates of Operation				
	Menu and Types of TCS Food Preparations (On Demand, In Advance, Using Time as a Public Health Control)				
	Expected Size of the operations including the number of seats				
	Special Processes or Operations				
☐ Nev	w Applications also require detailed plans and facility/operations specifications (refrigeration, storage, menus)				
☐ Apı	plication Fees				
☐ Att	estation as to accuracy of the information and compliance with all local regulations and requirements				
☐ Pei	rmit Exempt Operations – not regulated under the Food Code, but must still provide safe food.				
Note: I	f open to the public, must display a sign, "Not regulated or inspected by the Board of Health."				
☐ Wh	ole, uncut produce, unprocessed honey, maple syrup products, eggs held at 45F,				
☐ Ven	ues offering only commercially packaged non-TCS foods like chips and coffee/tea (shelf stable cream only).				
☐ <u>Nor</u>	n-Commercial Community Potlucks or Block Parties.				
☐ Res	idential Kitchens for specific non-profit events (Bake Sales, Soup Kitchens).				
	idential Kitchens for Day Cares and B & Bs with 6 bedrooms or less serving only freshly made breakfast.				
	rate Events (Note: caterers must be licensed in their home community).				
	oking Classes, Non-Commercial Church Socials, Class Parties (may need permission from school),				
☐ Hon	ne Delivery Service for Take Out Food/Groceries (Assumes food is packaged and delivered in a timely manner.)				
☐ Ins	pection Phases				
☐ Bef	ore the Inspection				
	Review FE File and Documents				
	Classify FE by Risks				
	Determine Type of Inspection				
	Inspection Preparations				
	Internal Scheduling based on risks, resources and time of year				
☐ Dur	ring the Inspection				
	Review Good Inspection Practices with focus on priority items				
	Entering the FE				
	Targeted Inspection - Assessing Active Managerial Control and High-Risk Factors				
	Closing Conference				
☐ Afte	er the Inspection				
	Improvement Planning				
	Enforcement after Education				
	Office Follow-up & Quality Assurance				
☐ Be	fore the Inspection – Food Inspectors required to have 2 levels of training.				
☐ St	ep 1: Review Food Establishment (FE) File and Documents				
	<b>Application:</b> type of operation; risk factors, menu, facility, recycling FOG (Fats, Oils, Grease); water/wastewater				
	Required Certifications: Food Protection Manager, Food Handler, Allergen Awareness; Chokesaver (25+ seats)				
	Previous Inspections: repeat violations raise concerns with the process/procedures				
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	FE Self-Assessment: if on file or required				

	□ <b>Permit:</b> inspection access a condition of the permit plus seating capacity, menu, certifications, attestations					
П	□ Variance Requests: review					
	ep 2: Classify Food Establishment (FE) by Risks:					
	ssignment Annex 7: #1 low-risk, 1/yr; #2 medium-risk 1-2/yr; #3: full-service restaurants 2+/yr; #4: High-Risk Pop. 3+/yr]					
	Highly Susceptible Populations: young, old, immune compromised					
	Special processes: sushi, low oxygen, etc.					
	Repeat critical violations/complaints					
	Large numbers served: (more people at risk, the greater potential for a large outbreak)					
	Types of Food – TCS Food prepared in advance or transported to other facilities					
	Uneven/inconvenient workflow, equipment, facility					
	Menu and Types of Processing (High risk foods, complicated cooking/cooling, special processing, # times					
	food passes through danger zone, etc.)					
	Comply with section 590.008 (H); FC 8-401.10 (B) (2) – Risk-based inspection schedule DPH approval					
☐ S+4	ep 3: Determine Type of Inspection & Focus of Inspection					
	Pre-Operation –inspections prior to opening are usually the only scheduled inspections					
	Routine – schedule internally at variable hours of operation; usually 2/year					
	Follow up/Re-inspection— depends on violation, usually within 1 to 10 days.					
	HACCP/Variances – Review/monitor special operations					
	Complaint – investigate within 24 hours for critical items; 5 days for others					
	Residential Kitchen –only foods that don't require refrigeration; test private well water					
	Remote/Virtual Inspection — to review plans, policies, procedures before, after or between onsite inspections.					
	COVID-19//Illness Inspection - based on complaints, reports, observations. Required for Foodborne Illness.					
☐ Ste	ep 4: Inspection Preparations					
	Minimum Equipment Kit + Official ID					
	<ul> <li>Calibrate Thermometers, including thermocouple type</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Chemical test kits for different sanitizer types (chorine, iodophor, quat); pH papers</li> </ul>					
	Heat-sensitive tape or maximum registering thermometer					
	o Flashlight; alcohol swabs,					
	o Inspection Forms (MA FIER), Inspection Guides, Education Information for the PIC					
_	o Pencil and/or tablet					
	Clean and Recalibrate Equipment; Replace batteries and Supplies					
	Wear clean, professional attire (hair covering/hat; clean outer clothing, work shoes)					
	Wellness – model good behavior (no coughing/sneezing even for allergies; stay home when ill)					
☐ Ste	ep 5: Inspection Scheduling					
	By Risk (plan must be approved by DPH) or every 6 months.					
	By Complaint					
	By time of year – seasonal operations					
	By time of week/day – busy times					
	□ Before Opening					
	Safety Consideration if any					
	Other as per your Policies					
☐ Du	ring the Inspection: Conducting a Risk-Based Inspection					
☐ Ste	ep 1: Review Good Inspection Practices					
	Target Inspection and focus on high-risk factors					
	Be Prepared with calibrated equipment, forms, and enough time to complete the needed inspection.					
	listening, professional demeanor					
	Conduct Inspections at variable times and seasons					

	Wash Hands before entering food prep area; observe set up and use			
	Look Around for dry handwash sink, paper towels in garbage, accessibility of sink and pump soap			
	Sanitize thermometers/thermocouples before/after each use			
	Don't touch RTE food or cross contaminate (use gloves and sanitize equipment between uses)			
	Take Photos of critical violations or best practice items that need improvement			
□ St	ep 2: Entering the Food Establishment			
	ter through the main business entrance, not the back door.			
	oserve Outside and Inside Building Concerns			
	Leaking roof, drainage, access			
	Garbage, pests			
	Proper Lighting			
	Posted license, certifications, and last inspection report			
C. Int	roduction and Permission to Inspect			
	Show ID to PIC			
So	cript: "I am the Food Inspector/Agent for (Town). Here is my card/ID."			
	Request access:			
Sc	cript: "I am here to do a (Type) Inspection today. I will need to have access to every area of your Food			
	Establishment. Can we get started with a review of your permit and menu; have there been any operations			
	or menu changes? What foods are being prepped today?" Note: inspector can inspect/observe any areas			
	open to the public without permission.			
lf	permission is denied, explain it is a condition of their permit. If still denied, leave immediately and plan			
	enforcement steps.			
	pection Priorities - What are you there for?			
	Immediate Risks – Priority items such as unsafe food – discard if can't be reheated safely.			
	Potential Risks – dirty bathrooms Previous Violations – work towards compliance			
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		Occupational accordance and according
		Game/wild mushrooms suppliers
		Raw fish for raw consumption – most must be frozen/flash frozen at -4F for 7 days
	Ш	Shellfish: Shell stock tags retained for 90 days in chronological order
		Juice and Milk Products
		Examine for evidence of temperature abuse (large ice crystals in frozen foods)
		Examine delivery truck, receiving protocols, and products for potential cross contamination if it can be observed
		Review receiving logs, product labels and tags
		Examine package integrity and temperatures upon delivery, if it can be observed (need to be present while food
_	_	is being delivered to do this)
F.	Ass	sess Contaminated Equipment and Potential for Cross-Contamination
		Storing raw foods above cooked
		Reserving food from other customers such as bread
		Bare hand contact with ready-to-eat foods
		Contaminated ice (mold growth in ice machines; ice scoops stored in ice bin with handle submerged in ice)
		Combining batches/leftovers with new unless reheated together to 165 F - only once
		Reusing utensils without sanitizing
		Storing chemicals in old food containers; near food, area & not labeled as hazardous/non-food item
		Prep sink cleanliness; no sponges
G.	Ass	sess Cooking Temperatures and Methods for Measuring
		Temperatures checked every 4 hrs; must reheat in 2 hrs w/out variance
		135°F for commercial sealed/packaged cooked foods for hot holding
		135°F: cooked fruits and vegetables for hot holding; 15 seconds
		145°F: eggs prepared for immediate service, fish, single pieces of meat; 15 seconds
		155°F: comminuted meats, ratites, pooled eggs or for hot holding; 15 seconds
		165°F: poultry, comminuted poultry, stuffed meats; 3 minutes
		165°F: microwave and stand for 2 minutes
		Don't reheat on steam table (Hot Hold at 135°F after heating w/in 2 hours to 165°F)
н.		sess Holding Time and Temperatures and Date Marking
		Danger zone for 105 CMR 590.000; 2013 FC is 41°F – 135°F
		Hot foods at 135°F can be held indefinitely, but will lose quality
		Corrective Action: reheat 1 time to 165°F for 15 seconds within 2 hours, hold 135°F
		Cold RTE Foods below 41°F and properly labeled, discard opened containers after 7 days
		Date mark all onsite prepared RTE foods held for more than 24 hours; maximum 7 days
		How long before the food will be served? Will the food be used as leftovers?
		Time as Public Health Control: (not used for susceptible populations; plan must be approved by BOH. Items
		must be labeled if using time as a control). No longer requires a variance.
		2+ HRS: Special populations up to 2 hours; discard  At HRS: Het Foods out of team particle discard.
		4+ HRS: Hot Foods out of temperature control; discard     5- HRS: Cold BTE foods out of temperature control, discard
	۸۵۵	<ul> <li>6+ HRS: Cold RTE foods out of temperature control, discard</li> </ul> sess Reheating for Hot Holding
١.		Inquire what the history is of hot-held foods
		Ensure it is reheated quickly (reheating in crock pots/steam tables is not acceptable)
		Must use calibrated probe thermometer for cooking/holding temperatures
		Use of infrared thermometer is only suitable for general monitoring of surface temperatures
	 ^ ^ c	Reheating won't kill all pathogens (some bacteria form spores/toxins survive cooking)
J.		sess Cooling  Ask the food employees and managers questions about cooling procedures in place
		Ask the food employees and managers questions about cooling procedures in place.  Cooling in wide/shallow containers, lightly covered, or ice
		Food from 135°F to 70°F within 2 hrs and from 70°F to 41°F within a total of 6 hrs
		Food at room temp cooled from 70°F to 41°F within 4 hours, store
		Corrective Action: reheat 1 time to 165°F for 15 seconds within 2 hours, then cool
ĸ		sess Personal Hygiene. Hands as a Vehicle of Contamination: Implementation of Employee Health Policies

		Employee health policy- what is policy? Is it written? If not written, then how do employees get trained?					
		No Eating, drinking, smoking in food prep area					
		No bare hand contact with RTE foods					
		Handwashing sinks not used properly					
		Dirty clothing, fingernails, arms					
		Beards and Hair coverings					
		Personal habits (dripping sweat/blood, scratching, touching face/hair/mouth, hygiene)					
		Illness (coughing, sneezing, diarrhea, open sores, bloody nose, etc.)					
		Heavy rings/jewelry that may have food contact (plain wedding ring excepted)					
		Accessible, clean, equipped toilets with proper handwashing/signs					
L.	Ass	sess Compliance with Approved Procedures					
		Risk Control Plan					
		HACCP Plans					
		Written BOH Variances					
Μ.	Ass	sess Special Requirements Related to Highly Susceptible Populations (HSP)					
		Additional requirement in 590.003; 2013 FC, Chapter 3, Part 3-8.					
		Inspect during preparation, service or other active times					
N.	Ass	sess Labeling, Storage and Use of Poison and Toxic Chemicals					
		Store chemicals separate from food.					
		Ensure clearly labeled.					
		Ensure solutions containing toxic materials are discarded in service sink to prevent contamination of food-					
		contact surfaces.					
_	☐ <b>A</b>	Contaminated food should be discarded immediately					
		sess Compliance with Consumer Advisories/Allergen Awareness/Chokesaver Regulations					
г.	_	aluate Basic Sanitation and Facilities (Good Retail Practices)  Air Gaps/Backflow: 2x diameter of the water supply inlet or have back siphon prevention					
		Food Storage: covered/contained off floor and away from wall 6", unless containers are waterproof					
		Chemical Storage: separate and labeled					
		Grease Traps/Sewerage: cleaned regularly and functioning adequately					
		Water Pressure: for warewashing ((5-30 psi)					
		<b>Water Temps:</b> Handwash: 100°F; Manual Warewashing: 110°F; Sanitizing: 180°F (160°F at the plate); 165°F					
		for single temperature machine					
		Allergen Awareness and Choke Saver training					
		Freshness/Quality: Freshness and quality are not regulated but are signs of other practices that might make					
		food unsuitable for consumption. Use "First in First Out" standard					
		Water Activity (Aw) general indication of how much water is available to pathogens in food. Lower levels of					
		moisture (< 0.85 Aw)					
		Water storage: Restroom/food: 7 gal/per person/day; Food only: 2 gal/per meal served					
		Cleanup of vomit/feces: Who cleans it, what chemicals and supplies used					
		Cleaning and Disinfection of Facility: Cleaning Schedule and Staff assigned to disinfection.					
		Sanitizers:					
		■ Chlorine (bleach) – 50 ppm or mg/l @75°F for 7 seconds					
		<ul> <li>Quaternary ammonium compound (Quats) – follow manufacturer instructions</li> </ul>					
	П	<ul> <li>Iodine – follow manufacturer instructions</li> <li>Integrated Pest Management - Rodents/pest activity (black light might help)</li> </ul>					
		<ul> <li>Inspection for pests and identification of pests</li> </ul>					
		<ul> <li>Sanitation program for the entire facility</li> </ul>					
		<ul> <li>Application of 2 or more pest management procedures</li> </ul>					
		■ Use of pesticide and evaluation/follow-up inspection					
Q.	Co	mpleting the FEIR					
		FE Info Block: Name, PIC, Date, Type of Inspection., etc.					

		Prioritize the "RED" Section: with items most likely to contribute to foodborne illness.				
		Violations: IN/OUT marked				
		Description of Violations, place the  ☐ Item #				
		□ Narrative				
	_	Chapter and Part of the Violation, if possible				
		<b>Date to Correct,</b> based on whether the violation is Priority, Priority Foundation or Core, enter a date.				
		Signatures: both PIC and Inspector sign form				
		ep 4: Closing Conference with Person in Charge (PIC)				
		dressing Violations: Policy requires follow-up activities on all observed violations.				
		Corrected on the Spot (COS) during the inspection – require immediate corrections for risk-factor violations.				
		Corrected within a specific time frame with reinspection to verify				
		Uncorrected from a previous inspection, but part of a correction plan that should be updated				
		Uncorrected with no plans for correction – may require a fine and other enforcement actions  An imminent health hazards and corrective action must be taken immediately by inspector.				
		Inspector must observe the violation – can't be hearsay or owner's records unless failing to keep adequate				
•	_	records is the violation. "See it to Cite it." Data/repots can be used such as disease reports or forms not filed.				
В.	Va	riance Requests – must be in writing				
	]	Must include a statement of the proposed VARIANCE of the Code requirement citing relevant Code section				
		numbers.				
		Must show that the variance will not result in a nuisance or health hazard.				
		Must detail Active Managerial Control strategies.				
C.		A HACCP plan that identifies the risk factors and Food Code intervention strategies may be required. <b>CCP Plans –</b> must be in writing				
O. [		Plan must be reviewed and approved before implementation				
		Plan implementation must be verified and validated when activated.				
		view with PIC				
	] [	Document onsite/immediate corrections taken on the inspection form.				
	] F	Priority items are critical issues that need immediate correction or 3 - 10 days				
	] F	Require plans for correcting non-critical violations (90 days to complete).				
	] F	Require plans for preventing violations – Develop Risk Control Plans or HACCP Plan.				
	F	Provide educational materials/links.				
	] <b>E</b>	Both PIC and Inspector Sign Inspection Form. Can be done virtually or acknowledge with an email.				
		Give copy of inspection form to PIC by printing, copying, or emailing.				
		nspector may also require the following from the PIC, depending on issues:				
		<ul> <li>Managerial Control Plans to address/prevent repeat violations; require a written improvement plan.</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Change of Equipment Layout Proposal; Equipment Specifications.</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Develop and Implement Recipe/Process Instructions/Management Systems based on HACCP principles.</li> </ul>				
		Establish First-In-First-Out (FIFO) Procedures				
		Written Employee Policies and Procedures				
		Development of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)/ Risk Control Plans (RCPs)				
	Αfi	ter the Inspection: Education/Planning/Enforcement/Assurance				
		ep 1: Improvement Planning – Require written plans for repeat/complex violations				
		provement Planning – Require Written Plans				
•		Change equipment/layout				
	0	Establish Buyer Specifications and First In, First Out (FIFO) Procedures				
	0	Develop and implement recipe/process instructions based on HACCP principles				
	0	Written employee Policies and Procedures (Illness policy especially important)				
	0	Develop and implement Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and Risk Control Plans (RCP) Annex 11				
	0	Develop and implement HACCP based Comprehensive Voluntary Food Safety Management Systems				
B.	ΗA	CCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point) Planning Annex 8/9				
		nazard is defined by NACMCF as a biological, chemical or physical agent that is reasonably likely to occur, and will				
		use illness or injury in the absence of its control. Establishments must consider all three types of hazards – biological,				

chemical, and physical - The hazard analysis and identification of associated control measures accomplish three objectives:

- 1. hazards and associated control measures are identified,
- 2. the analysis may identify needed modifications (also known as interventions) to the initial process or product so that product safety is assured, and
- 3. the analysis provides a basis for determining Critical Control Points (CCP)

	il Control Point (CCP): last chance before food is consumed to ensure safety. Usually temperature related, but
	ot always. Could be cross contamination during serving.
	2: Enforcement after Education Goal is Long-term Compliance with good Retail Food Practices.
	ary Corrections: Confirm compliance at the next inspection  Corrected during inspection
	Discussion and plans for other corrections and follow up for long-term control of risk factors
	Policy changes identified and implemented
	Facility changes identified and implemented
	rerial Control Changes: Priority changes for issues pose an immediate danger
	Training; Chemical/ Biological/Physical risks
	Workflow; Facility; Layout. Equipment changes
	HACCP Plans written, approved and validated
	Risk Control Plans written and implemented
	Variance Requests written and submitted for approval
	Processes and Practices like handwashing and eating/drinking in food prep area
	Employee Health Policies (stay home when ill, report illness to PIC, reportable diseases to BOH)
	ntary Compliance results from the following enforcement activities:
	Warning letters
	Re-inspections – can have up to 90 days to correct non-critical violations
	Citations/fines, re- inspection fees, administrative hearings, permit suspensions (#28 Job Aid: Enforcement)
	s to Abate/Cease and Desist: nuisances/code violations; administrative orders to abate are issued
	Summary Abatement: (such as closure) – actual, not potential public health risk; hearing if requested
	Agency Hearing: (repeat violations or violations not abated)
	Embargo/Disposal: entitled to hearing, but can't use food until after hearing
	Seizure: (voluntary seizure best – otherwise hold hearing is advised for expensive foods)
	Injunction/Restraining Order: Court orders to cease or take actions
☐ Step	3: Office Follow-up
	Follow up: on Corrective Actions for foodborne risk factors
	Next Inspection: note/schedule based on risk factors and number of critical out of compliance items
	Education: send out additional materials and guides as appropriate to FE
	Training Opportunities: send out notices and links as they become available.  File Documents
	Repair and Replace Equipment
	Update Training – every year improve your training
	Quality Assurance - Continuous Process
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☐ Healt	thcare Policy and Enhanced Infection Control Plans during Outbreaks
	hcare Policy – require written plan that includes staying home when ill: reporting contagious infections to BOH

- 2. Infection Control Plan require a written plan during outbreaks
- 3. Staff Training Plan required on Infection Control Plan and Personal Protection Precautions during outbreaks.
- 4. Cleaning and Sanitation Plan require a written plan during outbreaks.
- 5. Hand Hygiene: require additional employee handwashing stations; public hand sanitizer stations during outbreaks
- 6. Signage More reminder signage for disease symptoms, protection precautions and handwashing.
- 7. Personal Protection Precautions [Annex 13]

## **ANNEX List**

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- 11. Risk Control Plan Guide and Risk Control Plan
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- 13. BCBOHA Personal Protection Precautions (PPP)
- 14. Alliance Food Inspector Tip Sheet
- 15. Williamstown Common Food Establishment Violations
- **16.** Food Establishment Inspection Forms

	ANNEX 1				
	DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS				
Alliance	Alliance Berkshire Public Health Alliance				
ВСВОНА	BOHA Berkshire County Boards of Health Association				
ВОН					
C	Centigrade				
CAP	Corrective Actions Policy/Plan				
CCP	Critical Control Point				
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention				
CVD	COVID-19				
Danger Zone	41 F – 135 F				
DPH	Massachusetts Department of Public Health				
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency				
F	Fahrenheit				
FC	Food Code				
FDA	Food and Drug Administration				
FE	Food Establishment				
FTE	Full-Time Equivalent				
GHP	Good Hygiene Practices				
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point				
ID	Identification				
IT	Internal Temperature				
mg/L	milligrams per liter				
NACMCF	National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods				
ORA-OTED	Office of Regulatory Affairs - Office of Training Education and Development				
рH	A measure of acidity and alkalinity of a solution that is a number on a scale on which a value of 7 represents				
	neutrality and lower numbers indicate increasing acidity and higher numbers increasing alkalinity and on				
DIO	which each unit of change represents a tenfold  Person in Charge				
ROP	Reduced Oxygen Packaging Ready to Eat				
RTE	Standard Operating Guide				
SOG	Standard Operating Guide Standard Operating Procedure				
TCS	Time, reinperature Control for Salety (previously potentially flazardous 100d)				

# ANNEX 2 INSPECTION PROGRAM SUPPORT NEEDS

1.	Adequate Resources
	<ul><li>1 FTE/300 inspections/process reviews or have backup inspectors available.</li><li>Appropriate Equipment</li></ul>
	☐ Regular Training Time
2.	Continuous Training  ServSafe or other approved Food Safety Training as required by State Food Code  Mass PHIT Food Safety Training (offered by the Alliance) or other advanced training  Online: ORA-OTED modules  Classroom – Alliance and FDA Courses  Field Training/Group Inspections – Alliance or other FDA Standardized Inspector  Standardization - FDA Standardized Inspector and DPH  Continuing Education
3.	Inspection Equipment
	REQUIRED:
	☐ Thermocouple with the appropriate probes for the food being tested
	☐ Alcohol swabs or other suitable equipment for sanitizing probe thermometers
	☐ Chemical test kits for different chemical sanitizer types
	<ul><li>Heat-sensitive tape or maximum registering thermometer</li><li>Flashlight</li></ul>
	☐ Head cover, such as baseball cap, hair net, or equivalent.
	OPTIONAL:
	☐ Tape Measure
	☐ Black light
	☐ Gloves
	☐ Camera/Cell Phones
	POTENTIALLY SHARED EQUIPMENT WITH OTHER TOWNS
	☐ Pressure gauge for in-line pressure of hot water at injection point of ware washing machine (5-30 psi)
	Light meter
	☐ Time/temperature data logger ☐ pH meter
	☐ Water activity meter
	☐ Computers with or without an electronic inspection system
	☐ Foodborne illness investigation kits/sample collection kit

# ANNEX 3 BOH WRITTEN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

☐ Written Policies, Applications, Permits, Forms that meet FDA Voluntary Retail Standards.
☐ Permit Application – Alliance Model Forms
☐ Inspection Form — Alliance Approved Inspection Form
☐ Risk Assessment for each FE [Annex 6]
☐ Inspection Frequency Assignment for each FE [Annex 7]
☐ Corrective Actions [Annex 12]
☐ Variance Requests [Annex 13]
☐ Verification and Validation of HACCP Plans [Annex 8]
☐ Remote or Virtual Inspections Policy [BOH Job Aid # 30: Remote Inspections]
☐ Compliance and Enforcement Policy [BOH Job Aid # 28: Enforcement]
☐ Infection Control Plan and/or COVID-19 Control Plan [Annex 11; Annex 13]
☐ Risk Control Plan [Annex 11]
☐ Maintained Database/Filing system
☐ FE records filed by name and/or location
Copies of all inspection and related actions kept in file
☐ List maintained of pending FE inspections
☐ Self-Inspection Guides and education materials/links/folder
☐ Access Procedures on what to do if inspection access is denied
Remind PIC that unannounced inspections are a condition of permit to operate
☐ Hold hearing to rescind permit
Obtain Administrative Search warrant from housing court to enter
☐ Enforce based on what can be seen in public areas
☐ Charge a fee for return inspections
☐ Ethics Policy on items like gratuities and favors
☐ May not accept any gratuities of any value or kind
☐ May accept a coffee or water during longer inspections
☐ Must treat all FE equally.
☐ Safety Policy — leave; take backup; call 911
☐ If concerned about anyone's personal safety, call 911
☐ Leave until police arrive
☐ Take an officer along on the next inspection
Wear properly fitted PPE and follow hygiene and decontamination procedures
☐ Follow Personal Protection Precautions [Annex 13]
Sick Leave Policy – no inspections when ill
☐ Code Compliance Verification Process
☐ Document Review
☐ Record Review
☐ Self-Assessment Review
☐ Phone call follow up with or without photos
☐ Remote or Virtual Inspection
☐ Onsite Verification – inspector must see violation; no hearsay

# ANNEX 4 QUESTIONS TO ASK DURING AN INSPECTION

#### RECEIVING

- 1. Is their food from an approved source?
- 2. How do they verify that their food is from an approved source?
- 3. How do they know if the food is at the proper temperature upon receipt?
- 4. What kind of refusal policy do they have?
- 5. Do they keep receiving logs (not required)?
- 6. How do they verify the source of shellfish?
- 7. How do they maintain certification records for fish that must be frozen to destroy parasites as specified in the Food Code?

#### COLD STORAGE/COLD HOLDING

- 1. How do they monitor their refrigeration units to ensure that they are maintaining proper temperature?
- 2. Is their date marking procedure acceptable?
- 3. How do their employees know what food is to be used first?
- 4. Are their storage practices for RTE and raw food acceptable?
- 5. Where are their thermometers stored? Are they calibrated? How often?
- 6. What kind of monitoring procedures do they implement for ensuring food is at the proper cold holding temperature?
- 7. Do they keep temperature logs (not normally required)?

### **PREPARATION**

- 1. What steps do they use to prevent cross-contamination?
- 2. What training is given for handwashing?
- 3. What is their handwashing policy?
- 4. How do they clean and sanitize their equipment?
- 5. How do their employees eliminate bare hand contact with RTE food?
- 6. How do their employees minimize bare hand contact with food that is not RTE?
- 7. How do they process fruits and vegetables before service?
- 8. Do they serve a highly susceptible population?

#### **COOKING**

- 1. Does the staff know the correct cooking temperatures?
- 2. Do they have a consumer advisory?
- 3. Are cooking temperatures monitored?
- 4. What corrective actions are taken when food does not reach the proper temperature?
- 5. Are cooking temperature logs maintained (not required)?

#### COOLING

- 1. How is food cooled?
- 2. How are temperatures monitored?
- 3. How do they ensure that the prescribed time frames are met?
- 4. What corrective actions do they take if the time frames are not met?
- 5. Are cooling records maintained (not required)?

### REHEATING

- 1. What happens to leftovers?
- 2. How are food products reheated? Stove/oven, microwave, steam table, other?
- 3. How are temperatures monitored?
- 4. Are reheating records maintained (not required)?
- 5. What corrective actions are taken?

#### **HOT HOLDING**

- 1. How are cooked foods held until service?
- 2. How is temperature controlled? Steam table, stove/oven, hot box, other?
- 3. How are the temperatures monitored?
- 4. How are temperature records maintained (not required)?
- 5. What corrective actions are taken when food is found out of temperature?
- 6. Is temperature maintained during distribution if food is transported off-site?

#### TIME ALONE AS A PUBLIC HEALTH CONTROL

- 1. How long is TCS food being held out of temperature before or after cooking?
- 2. How is the time out of temperature controlled?
- 3. How is time monitored?
- 4. How are time records maintained? As specified

ANNEX 5 CORRECTIVE ACTIONS POLICY			
Out-of-Control Procedure	Associated Hazards	Immediate Correction Action(s)	Intervention Strategies for Achieving Long-term Compliance
Bare Hand Contact with RTE Food	Bacteria, Parasites, Viruses via Fecal-oral Route	Use Gloves or Utensils. Cook or Discard. Conduct Hazard Analysis.	Good Hygiene Practices (GHP), Train Employees, SOP/HACCP Development
Cold Holding	Vegetative Bacteria, Toxin/Spore-forming Bacteria, Scrombrotoxin (Finfish)	Cook and Cool. Conduct Hazard Analysis. See participant manual for additional guidance.	Change Equipment, Risk Control Plan (RCP), Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP/Recipe
Contaminated Equipment	Bacteria, Parasites, and Viruses	Clean and Sanitize Equipment; Discard or Reheat RTE Food.	Train Employees, Change Equipment or Layout, Develop SOP
Cooking	Vegetative Bacteria, Parasites, Viruses	Continue Cooking to Proper Temperature.	Change Equipment, RCP, Recipes; Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP
Cooling	Toxin-forming and Spore- forming Bacteria	Reheat and cool again. Conduct Hazard Analysis.	Change Equipment, RCP, Recipe; Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP
Cross-Contamination of RTE Foods with Raw Animal Foods	Bacteria, Parasites, and Possibly Viruses	Discard or Reheat RTE Food.	Change Equipment Layout, RCP, GHP, Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP/Recipe
Food Source/ Sound Condition	Bacteria/Parasites/ Viruses/Scombrotoxin/ Ciguatera Toxin	Reject or Discard.	Change Buyer Specifications, Train Employees
Freezing to Control Parasites	Parasites	Freeze Immediately; Discard; or Cook.	Change Buyer Specifications, RCP, Develop SOP/HACCP/Recipe, Change Equipment, Train Employees
Handwashing	Bacteria, Viruses, and Parasites	Wash Hands Immediately; Conduct Hazard Analysis. See participant manual for additional guidance.	Change Equipment Layout, GHP, Train Employees, RCP, Develop SOP/HACCP
Hot Holding	Toxin-forming and Spore- forming Bacteria	Reheat. Conduct Hazard Analysis. See SOG for additional guidance.	Change Equipment, RCP, Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP/Recipe
Receiving Temperatures	Scombrotoxin, Bacteria	Reject or Discard.	Change Buyer Specifications, Recipes. Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP
Reheating for Hot Holding	Vegetative Bacteria; Toxin- forming and Spore-forming Bacteria	If reheated once, discard. Conduct Hazard Analysis. Participant manual for additional guidance.	Change Equipment, RCP, Train Employees, Develop SOP/HACCP/Recipe
Handwashing	Viruses, bacteria, toxins, contaminants	Demonstrate 20 seconds with soap, paper towels. Handwashing stations Sanitizer accessibility for staff/patrons	Require Staff Training; changes to handwash stations; signage to remind staff/patrons to wash 20 sec. frequently
III Staff	Viruses, bacteria	Send Staff home, clean, non-food contact; remote work	Review Illness Policy; GHP, Training;
COVID-19: Reduce Exposures	COVID-19 Control Plan	Must display self-certification Signage posted.	Require Staff Training, GHP Require updates to Plan
Masks Social Distancing	COVID-19 Control Plan COVID-19 Control Plan	Require masks Close seats, space lines	Update Policy to ensure masks worn Engineering Controls;
Employee Health	COVID-19 Control Plan	Train Staff on symptoms/procedures. Screen Staff; Send ill Staff home	Add barriers, move seats  Policy Changes Staff Training
Patron Health	COVID-19 Control Plan	Masks, Social Distancing Sanitizers; Improved air flow	Engineering Controls & Signage Policy Changes; Staff Training
Cleaning and Disinfecting	COVID-19 Control Plan	Staff Training; Clean/Disinfect high contact surfaces. Close and clean if infections. Proper Disinfectants - CDC	Update Plan; Staff Training
Cross Contamination; Food Handling SOP	COVID-19 Control Plan	Sanitize, Handwashing	Engineering Controls; Signage Policy Changes; Staff Training
Air Quality	COVID-19 Control Plan	Open windows; move outside Clean HVAC system; monitor for mold; increase outside air; use HEPA filters	Engineering Controls

#### **ANNEX 6**

## FOOD ESTABLISHMENT RISK LEVELS AND PERMIT CLASSIFICATIONS

#### **Risk Based Food Inspection Program**

Our number one goal is to protect the public health and protect Berkshire County residents and visitors from foodborne illness. To reach the goal, we focus our inspection efforts on facilities that may present a greater risk based upon various aspects of the food operation including types of food and populations served and number of meals served under less than ideal conditions. This approach is called a Risk-Based Inspection Program.

Although foodborne illness can happen in any food facility, it is more likely to occur where many different kinds of perishable foods are handled and processed. To concentrate our resources where the highest risks of foodborne illness occur, we have designed a risk-based inspection program that adjusts inspection frequency based upon the volume and types of food handling that take place at food establishments within Solano County. A <u>risk assessment analysis</u> is completed for each food establishment upon opening or when there is a change of menu or type of operation. Based upon the results of the analysis the food establishment is assigned to one of four risk categories:

#### Risk Level 1: One inspection/year minimum

**Examples Include:** Roadside produce stands, most convenience marts, some taverns, and coffee shops with additional minimal food handling. This risk level is assigned to a permit that allows limited preparation steps of potentially hazardous foods, such as hot dogs, and includes sectioning of melons, heating of individually pre-packaged ready-to-eat foods for immediate service without opening of the package, and preparation of espresso and/or blended drinks. It also includes cold holding of commercially pre-packaged ready-to-eat foods, such as sandwiches, without opening of the package. Risk 1 does not include hot holding of food. Mobile cart operations with espresso are included in this risk category as are mobile trucks with frozen foods or meat. These types of operations are inspected once a year.

#### Risk Level 2: Two inspections/year minimum

**Examples include:** Most fast food chain-type facilities, bakeries, donut shops, and convenience stores with some hot food sales. This risk level is assigned to a permit that allows food processing steps such as receiving, storing, preparing, cold holding, and serving potentially hazardous foods. It does not include hot holding of food. It includes limited preparation steps, such as baking bread, frying donuts, and grilling or toasting sandwiches for immediate service. Examples of this type of operation include on-site baking, making smoothies with raw ingredients (fruit, eggs, etc.), opening ready to eat prepackaged foods for heating or service, cooking waffle cones or cake mixes. Grocery stores with pre-packaged raw meat, poultry, or seafood are also included. These operations receive one routine inspection and one educational visit each year with the exception of schools which receive two routine inspections.

### Risk Level 3: Three inspections/year minimum

**Examples include:** Full-service restaurants and supermarkets with food preparation. This risk level is assigned to a permit that allows operations with complex food preparation steps, including thawing, cutting, cooking, cooling, cold holding, reheating, hot holding, and serving of potentially hazardous foods. It includes all operations that provide cooking or hot holding of foods, including meat and seafood markets and mobile trucks. These operations receive two routine inspections and one educational visit each year.

#### Risk Level 4: Four inspections/year or as needed

**Examples include:** Hospitals, preschools, nursing homes and other institutions serving highly susceptible populations like the elderly, those in poor health, obese, low income, etc. Also include Retail Food with special processes like smoking reduced oxygen to extend shelf-life where HACCP plans are required., curing or

#### Why implement a risk-based food inspection program?

Our goal is to minimize foodborne illness by inspecting those establishments that pose the greatest risk and helping them reduce risks through education and enforcement. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration recommends that all retail food inspection programs assign the frequency of inspections based on the food safety risks at each establishment. Solano County's Risk-Based Inspection Program was created using the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's recommendations and guidelines.

#### How will my business benefit from this service?

All food establishments will benefit from this program. Facilities with the highest risk will receive more frequent contact with our environmental health specialist for both inspections and consultations. Medium risk facilities will receive needed contact for verification of compliance. Low risk facilities will benefit by receiving only the necessary number of inspections each year, and a reduced annual fee resulting from our shift in resources.

#### Will a high-risk establishment receive the same type of inspection as a low-risk establishment?

A high-risk establishment, like a full-service restaurant will receive a complete hazard analysis inspection, which will identify critical points in the food preparation process where food could be mishandled or contaminated. Since a low-risk establishment, like a

convenience store typically does not handle unpackaged foods, the inspection will focus mainly on food source, storage, and general cleanliness.

If I were to expand or reduce my food menu, will my establishment need to be re-assigned to a different risk category?

Changing your menu or expanding or reducing your food operation may result in a change of your risk category. If you need assistance in identifying the risk of your current or proposed food operation, please contact your environmental health specialist at (707) 784-6765.

#### What can I do if my food establishment is assigned to an incorrect risk category?

If you feel your facility has been incorrectly assessed, please call your district environmental health specialist who will review your food operational risk.

Risk	Food Illness Risk Factors to Consider	Illness/Outbreak Risk Factors	Inspection Frequency
#1:	Low Risk, No Cook Foods:		1/year or as
No Cook	Convenience Stores: hot dog carts, and coffee shops.	• Fewer People	needed.
NO COOK	Pre-packaged, non-potentially hazardous foods (non-time/temperature	No Waiters	needed.
Low COVID-	control for safety (TCS) foods).	Pre-packaged	CVD: May use
19 Risk	Non-potentially Hazardous foods (non-TCS foods); coffee.	• Limited Self-service	self or remote
13 11131	Heat only commercially processed, potentially hazardous foods (TCS	<ul> <li>Good CVD Practices</li> </ul>	assessment.
	foods) for hot holding. No cooling of potentially hazardous foods (TCS	<ul><li>Takeout</li></ul>	assessifierte.
	foods).	<ul><li>Delivery</li></ul>	
	Good Managerial Control: Category 2 that have shown through historical	<ul><li>History of Non-</li></ul>	
	documentation to have achieved active managerial control of foodborne	Compliance	
	illness risk factors.		
	No Variances:		
#2:	Medium Risk, Limited Cooking	<ul> <li>Housing &amp; Food</li> </ul>	2/year
Limited	Retail food stores: schools not serving a highly susceptible population,	<ul><li>Volunteers</li></ul>	' '
Cooking	and quick service operations.	<ul> <li>Outside Service</li> </ul>	CVD: May use
	Limited menu: Most products are prepared/cooked and served	<ul> <li>History of Non-</li> </ul>	self or
Medium	immediately. May involve hot and cold holding of potentially hazardous	Compliance	remote
COVID-19	foods (TCS foods) after preparation or cooking.		assessment.
Risk	Limited TCS Foods: Complex preparation of potentially hazardous foods		
	(TCS foods) requiring cooking, cooling, and reheating for hot holding is		
	limited to only a few potentially hazardous foods (TCS foods).		
	Good Managerial Control: Category 3 & 4 that have shown through		
	historical documentation to have achieved active managerial control of		
	foodborne illness risk factors.		
	<b>Newly Permitted:</b> New Category 1 until history of active managerial		
	control of risk factors is achieved and documented.		
# <b>3</b> Full	Higher Risk, Full Cooking	<ul><li>Hot/Cold Bars</li></ul>	3/year
Cooking	<b>Full-Service Restaurant:</b> Extensive menu and handling of raw ingredients.	<ul><li>Large Groups</li></ul>	
	Complex Preparation: cooking, cooling, and reheating for hot holding	<ul> <li>Inside Service</li> </ul>	CVD: May use
High	involves many potentially hazardous foods (TCS foods).	<ul><li>History of Non-</li></ul>	self or
COVID-19	Variety of Processes: require hot and cold holding of potentially	Compliance	remote
Risk	hazardous food (TCS food).		assessment.
	Raw Animal Foods:		
	Good Managerial Controls: Category 4 that have shown through		
	historical documentation to have achieved active managerial control of foodborne illness risk factors.		
	Newly Permitted: New Category 2 until history of active managerial		
	control of risk factors is achieved and documented.		
4.		At Diele Crause	2 or 4 nor
HACCP Plan	Highest Risk Institutions: preschools, hospitals, nursing homes	At-Risk Groups     Lack of Trained	3 or 4 per year and as
required	Retail Food Processing or special processes (smoking, curing, reduced	<ul> <li>Lack of Trained</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>	year and as needed
Very High	oxygen to extend shelf-life)	Staff	neeueu
COVID-19	Highly Susceptible Population: Elderly, Black, Poor Health, Obese,	History of Non-     Compliance	
COVID-19	Hypertension, Low Income.	Compliance	
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ANNEX 7							
	FOOD ESTABLISHMENT RISK ASSIGNMENT POLICY						
Risk Category	Food Illness Risk Factors to Consider	COVID-19 (CVD) Risk Factors	Inspection Frequency				
#1:	Low Risk, No Food Prep	• Fewer People	1/year or as				
No Cook	Convenience Stores: hot dog carts, and coffee shops.	No Waiters	needed.				
	<b>Pre-packaged</b> , non-potentially hazardous foods (non-time/temperature	Pre-packaged					
Low COVID-19	control for safety (TCS) foods).	Limited Self-service	CVD: May use				
Risk	Non-potentially Hazardous foods (non-TCS foods); coffee.	Good CVD Practices	self or				
	<b>Heat only commercially processed</b> , potentially hazardous foods (TCS	• Takeout	remote				
	foods) for hot holding. No cooling of potentially hazardous foods (TCS	• Delivery	assessment.				
	foods).	History of Non-					
	Good Managerial Control: Category 2 that have shown through	Compliance					
	historical documentation to have achieved active managerial control of	Compliance					
	foodborne illness risk factors.  No Variances:						
#2:	Medium Risk, Limited Cooking	Housing & Food	2/year				
Limited	Retail food stores: schools not serving a highly susceptible population,	<ul><li>Volunteers</li></ul>	2/ year				
Cooking	and quick service operations.	Outside Service	CVD: May				
0	Limited menu: Most products are prepared/cooked and served	<ul> <li>History of Non-</li> </ul>	use self or				
Medium	immediately. May involve hot and cold holding of potentially hazardous	Compliance	remote				
COVID-19 Risk	foods (TCS foods) after preparation or cooking.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	assessment.				
	<b>Limited TCS Foods:</b> Complex preparation of potentially hazardous foods						
	(TCS foods) requiring cooking, cooling, and reheating for hot holding is						
	limited to only a few potentially hazardous foods (TCS foods).						
	Good Managerial Control: Category 3 & 4 that have shown through						
	historical documentation to have achieved active managerial control of						
	foodborne illness risk factors.						
	<b>Newly Permitted:</b> New Category 1 until history of active managerial control of risk factors is achieved and documented.						
#3 Full	Higher Risk, Full Cooking	Hot/Cold Bars	3/year				
Cooking	Full-Service Restaurant: Extensive menu and handling of raw	<ul> <li>Large Groups</li> </ul>	-, ,				
J	ingredients.	<ul> <li>Inside Service</li> </ul>	CVD: May				
High COVID-	Complex Preparation: cooking, cooling, and reheating for hot holding	<ul> <li>History of Non-</li> </ul>	use self or				
19	involves many potentially hazardous foods (TCS foods).	Compliance	remote				
Risk	Variety of Processes: require hot and cold holding of potentially	·	assessment.				
	hazardous food (TCS food).						
	Raw Animal Foods:						
	Good Managerial Controls: Category 4 that have shown through						
	historical documentation to have achieved active managerial control of						
	foodborne illness risk factors.  Newly Permitted: New Category 2 until history of active managerial						
	control of risk factors is achieved and documented.						
4.	Highest Risk	At-Risk Groups	3 or 4 per				
HACCP Plan	Institutions: preschools, hospitals, nursing homes	<ul> <li>Lack of Trained Staff</li> </ul>	year and as				
required	Retail Food Processing or special processes (smoking, curing, reduced	History of Non-	needed				
Very High	oxygen to extend shelf-life)	Compliance					
COVID-19	Highly Susceptible Population: Elderly, Black, Poor Health, Obese,	'					
Risk	Hypertension, Low Income.						

## ANNEX 8 HACCP PLAN

Food Establishment:	Date	
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Food/Menu Items:

<b>Process Step</b>	Hazards	CCP (Y/N)	Critical Limits	Monitoring	Corrective Action	Verification	Records
Receive							
Store							
Prepare							
Cook							
Cool							
Reheat							
Hold							
Serve							
Prerequisite							

### **Process 1: Food Preparation with No Cook Step**

Example flow: Receive - Store - Prepare - Hold - Serve

(other food flows are included in this process, but there is no cook step to destroy pathogens)

#### **Process 2: Preparation for Same Day Service**

Example flow: Receive – Store – Prepare – Cook – Hold – Serve

(other food flows are included in this process, but there is only one trip through the temperature danger zone)

## **Process 3: Complex Food Preparation**

Example flow: Receive - Store - Prepare - Cook - Cool - Reheat - Hot - Hold - Serve

(other food flows are included in this process, but there are always two or more complete trips through the temperature danger zone)

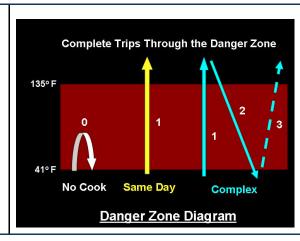
(A hazard is defined by NACMCF as a biological, chemical or physical agent that is **reasonably likely to occur**, and will **cause illness or injury in the absence of its control**. Establishments must consider all **three types of hazards – biological, chemical, and physical** – The hazard analysis and identification of associated control measures three objectives:

- 1. hazards and associated control measures are identified,
- 2. modifications (also known as interventions) needed to the initial process or product so that product safety is assured, and
- 3. basis for determining Critical Control Points (CCP) in Principle 2.

**NOTE:** cooking doesn't remove toxins or physical contaminants – food must be discarded.

Critical Control Point (CCP): last chance before food is consumed to ensure safety. Usually temperature related, but not always. Could be cross contamination during serving. SOPs and Risk Control Plans (RCP):

RECEIVE (source & temps) – STORE (temps, covered, clean/dry)– PREPARE (temp/time, contamination – COOK (temp/time) – COOL(time, temp 41°F, covered)– REHEAT (time/temp 165°F) – HOLD (Time 4 hrs or Temp above/below danger zone) – SERVE (cross contamination. handwashing, bare-hand contact, illness)



ANNEX 9 HACCP FIELD VERIFICATION REPORT FORM					
Date Written Plan Validated	Date Written Plan Validated				
Establishment Name					
Address					
Person-in-Charge					
Food Product					
Special Process					
Validated Plan Review		HACCP Plan validated after	er review by BOH		
Prerequisites	☐ In ☐ Out	I I	emented effective standard operating		
		procedures and is compliance with 105 CMR 590.000 and the 2013			
			s are documented on the Inspection Form.		
Accurate Description of	☐ In ☐ Out	Food Flow is consistent wi	th approved workflow chart.		
Product/Process/Use					
Hazard(s)	Critic	al Control Points (CCP)	Preventative Measures/Critical Limits (CL)		
		I			
Monitoring Procedures	☐ In ☐ Out				
Food Employee	☐ In ☐ Out				
Knowledgeable of CCP/CL					
Verification Process	☐ In ☐ Out				
CCP/CL Records Accurate	ccurate				
Employee Training Records	☐ In ☐ Out		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Inspector Name			Date of Field Verification		

## ANNEX 10 SANITIZER SPECIFICATIONS

A chlorine solution shall have a minimum temperature based on the concentration and PH of the solution as listed in the following chart:

Concentration	Minimum	Minimum	High Temp Sanitizing
Range (MG/L)	Temperature PH 10	Temperature PH 8 or	
	or less °C (°F)	less °C (°F)	
25 – 49	49 (120)	49 (120)	Manual: 77C/171F
50 – 99	38 (100)	24 (75)	Stationary Rack: 74C/165F
100	13 (55)	13 (55)	Other Machine: 82C/180F

- (C) Chemical manual or mechanical operations, including the application of SANITIZING chemicals by immersion, manual swabbing, brushing, or pressure spraying methods, using a solution as specified under § 4-501.114. Contact times shall be consistent with those on EPA-registered label use instructions by providing: (1) Except as specified under Subparagraph (C)(2) of this section, a contact time of at least 10 seconds for a chlorine solution specified under ¶ 4-501.114(A),
- (2) A contact time of at least 7 seconds for a chlorine solution of 50 MG/L that has a PH of 10 or less and a temperature of at least 38 °C (100°F) or a PH of 8 or less and a temperature of at least 24 °C (75°F), P
- (3) A contact time of at least 30 seconds for other chemical SANITIZING solutions, or
- (4) A contact time used in relationship with a combination of temperature, concentration, and PH that, when evaluated for efficacy, yields SANITIZATION as defined in  $\P$  1-201.10(B).

**Chemicals.** Chemicals approved as sanitizers for food-contact surfaces in retail/foodservice establishments are chlorine, iodine and quaternary ammonium. Their concentration, contact time, advantages and disadvantages are described in Table 1.

Chemical Sanitizer	Concentration/ Contact Time	Advantages	Disadvantages
Chlorine	50 mg/L in water between 75 °F (24 °C) and 100 °F (38 °C) for 7 seconds	effective on a wide range of bacteria     not affected by hard water salts     generally inexpensive	corrosive, irritating to the skin     effectiveness decreases with increasing pH of solution     deteriorates during storage and when exposed to light     dissipates rapidly     loses activity in presence of organic matter
lodine	Follow manufacturer's use directions; contact time at least 30 seconds	forms brown color     not affected by hard water salts     less irritating to skin than chlorine     active against a wide range of non-spore-forming bacteria     activity not lost as rapidly as chlorine in presence of organic matter	bactericidal effectiveness decreases greatly with increase in pH (most active at pH 3.0 and very low acting at pH 7.0)     less effective against bacterial spores and bacteriophages than chlorine     may discolor equipment and surfaces
Quaternary Ammonium Compounds	Follow manufacturer's use directions; contact time at least 30 seconds	nontoxic, odorless, colorless, noncorrosive, nonirritating     stable in the presence of heat, relatively stable in the presence of organic matter active over a wide pH range     active against thermoduric organisms	slow destruction of coliform and psychrophilic organisms     incompatible with anionic detergents and hard-water salts     ineffective against bacteriophages

Factors that influence the efficacy of chemical sanitizers include the following:

<sup>•</sup> Concentration. Too little will result in an inadequate reduction of microorganisms; too much can be toxic, corrosive to equipment and can lead to less cleanability over time.

<sup>•</sup> Temperature. Sanitizers generally work best between 55 °F (13 °C) and 120 °F (49 °C).

Contact time. To kill microorganisms, cleaned items must be in contact with the sanitizer for the manufacturer-recommended time.

# Annex 11 RISK CONTROL PLAN GUIDE

### Overview:

The purpose of this guide is to help food operators, with the help of their inspector, write a simple yet effective Risk Control Plan.

The use of Risk Control Plans for addressing chronic problems in food service establishments is encouraged. Benefits of a Risk Control Plan include:

- The plan, developed by the operator, allows the operator to consider all of the options and decide what is best for his/her establishment.
- Input from the sanitarian helps to create a team approach to problem solving.
- · Creates long-term behavioral changes.
- Restores managerial control over procedures that have the chance for causing foodborne illness.

## **Definitions:**

**CDC Identified Risk Factors:** The practices or behaviors, which have been identified by the Centers for Disease Control through epidemiological data as being the most prevalent contributing factors of foodborne illness or injury. CDC risk factors include:

- Poor personal hygiene
- Food from unsafe sources
- Inadequate cooking
- Improper holding temperatures
- Contaminated equipment

## **Food Code Interventions:**

- a) Demonstration of knowledge.
- b) Hands as a vehicle of contamination,
- c) Employee health,
- d) Time temperature relationships,
- e) Consumer advisory.

**Hazard:** Any biological, physical, or chemical property that may cause an unacceptable consumer health risk.

**Risk:** The chance or probability for harm to occur.

**Risk-based Inspection:** An inspection approach focused on identifying significant behaviors and practices associated with the risk factors identified by the CDC and the Food Code interventions.

**Risk Control Plan:** A mutually agreed upon plan that is written by the management of the food establishment and approved by the sanitarian. The plan describes the establishment's management system for controlling the chance of harm to occur.

**Uncontrolled Hazard:** An unmanaged source of harm.

## When to Initiate a Risk Control Plan

For the most part, the normal inspection and inspection report writing process is sufficient to eliminate Food Code violations. Violations are noted and then corrected. However, some uncontrolled hazards may become continuous or chronic.

The Risk Control Plan process requires management to analyze the problem and propose a solution. Management is required to implement the plan over a given period of time while keeping records to verify the plan is working. Repeating the desired behavior over a given time period creates good long-lasting habits.

## Types of hazards normally covered under a Risk Control Plan

Typically, Risk Control Plans address uncontrolled hazards that are **procedural or behavioral** in nature. Virtually any type of procedure needing managerial control ranging from facility/equipment cleaning and maintenance, equipment monitoring, time/temperature compliance, food handling, employee hygiene, etc. can benefit from a Risk Control Plan.

One-time actions to fix a problem such as the installation of a vacuum breaker on a hose bib or the installation of a ventilation hood over a piece of cooking equipment are generally addressed by other means.

## **Elements of a Risk Control Plan**

A Risk Control Plan must address:

- The hazard to be controlled
- How the hazard will be controlled
- Who is responsible for control?
- What are the critical limits?
- What monitoring, corrective actions, and record keeping are required
- The corrective action that will be taken should the critical limit not be met.
- The agreed time frame for correction
- How the results will be communicated to the sanitarian

## Sample Risk Control Plan

A Risk Control Plan does not have to be written using any special form. This guide includes an example of a form for those that wish to use it, and a guide for completing the attached Risk Control Plan:

DESCRIBE THE VIOLATION (RISK FACTOR) / FOOD CODE SECTION NUMBER: (this is to be filled out by the inspector)

 This is a brief statement of the problem. For example, "Hamburgers are being cooked to 130 degrees F." State the code number of the violation observed. Why is this violation a food safety hazard?

The following questions should be answered by the person-in-charge (PIC) in the Risk Control Plan. Assistance can be provided by the inspector.

**DESCRIBE THE PROBLEM.** WHY IS THIS PROBLEM OCCURRING? WHY IS IT DIFFICULT TO CONTROL THIS PROBLEM? (Uncontrolled Process / Hazard examples can be found at the end of the document) The critical limit is the standard for each control measure to be applied for the purpose of eliminating, preventing, or minimizing a hazard. **Example:** The critical limit for cooling chili is to assure the food temperature goes from 135 degrees to 70 degrees within 2 hours, and from 70 degrees to 41 degrees within an additional 4 hours.

(The FDA "Food Spec Sheet" and the "Equipment Spec Sheet" contain a summary of critical limits to control many hazards. The Spec sheets are available on the MDA website.)

Knowing that the standard for food safety is to cool chili to 70 degrees within 2 hours, and to 41 degrees in an additional 4 hours, why is the chili not being cooled properly? Is there a problem with monitoring the process? Is there a lack of proper equipment to allow this standard to be met? What is the **real issue** that exists to prevent this critical step from occurring?

### **HOW WILL YOU CORRECT THE PROBLEM?**

**In your facility**, what can be done to assure that the chili will be cooled correctly? What are some approved cooling methods? What are some possible alternatives to cooling chili?

**WILL STAFF NEED TO BE RE-TRAINED?** WHO WILL TRAIN THEM? When you have figured out how to solve your problem, you must make sure that this plan will be followed to assure a long term correction. Who cooks and cools the chili? Do they understand the new process? Have you trained them to

now cool foods properly? Do they understand that this solution is not only for the chili, but for all foods that need to be properly cooled?

### **HOW WILL THE CORRECTIVE ACTION BE MONITORED?**

• WHO WILL MONITOR IT? HOW OFTEN?

It is important to devise a plan to instruct employees what to do when they observe that the critical limit is not met. Otherwise, the hazard will remain uncontrolled and unsafe food may be served to the public. Many corrective actions are simple. For example, the corrective action to be taken when an employee finds the temperature of a cooked hamburger to be 130 degrees F is "Continue to cook until critical limit is met".

Other corrective actions may be more complex. The operator, for example, may set a critical limit of 38 degrees F for cooler unit air temperature. There may be a series of corrective actions that he/she might want to take when the limit is exceeded:

- Employee responsible for monitoring will notify the manager when the air temperature of a refrigerator reaches 41 degrees F
- o The manager will check the temperature setting of the unit. Adjust if necessary.
- The manager will check the temperature of potentially hazardous food and the unit air temperature within 2 hours.
- If the critical limit is not met, transfer the potentially hazardous food to another cooler and call the repair service
- WHO WILL CHECK THAT THE MONITORING WAS DONE? HOW OFTEN?
  Active Managerial Control is an important component to any risk control plan. Without monitoring, it is impossible to know that food safety issues are being addressed. By putting a plan into place where monitoring occurs at regular intervals, a long term correction can occur.
- WHAT WILL BE DONE IF THE CORRECTION IS NOT WORKING TO CONTROL THE VIOLATION?

  When the person in charge discovers a problem with the correction, a new plan should be controlled.

When the person in charge discovers a problem with the correction, a new plan should be developed to promote food safety.

HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE THE RESULTS TO THE INSPECTOR? To work toward a long-term correction, a communication plan should be developed with your inspector. Sometimes this is as simple as faxing charts (cooling / cold holding / hot holding / etc.) to your inspector weekly for a couple of months. For more serious violations, your inspector might arrange to stop by the facility (daily, weekly, monthly) to see if assistance can be provided.

The Risk Control Plan should be agreed upon by both the person-in-charge and the inspector, creating a plan for long-term compliance for the violation.

Uncontrolled	Hazard
Food Source	Presence of pathogenic microorganisms,
	toxins produced by microorganisms, and/or chemical contaminants
Freezing	Failure to destroy parasites, prevent growth of pathogenic microorganisms
Cooking	Failure to destroy pathogenic microorganisms
Cooling	Failure to prevent growth of pathogenic microorganisms
Reheating	Failure to destroy pathogenic microorganisms
Hot Holding	Failure to prevent growth of pathogenic microorganisms
Cold Holding	Failure to prevent growth of pathogenic microorganisms
Thawing	Failure to prevent growth of pathogenic microorganisms
Cleaning	Failure to prevent the transfer of pathogenic microorganisms from a soiled surface to a clean
	food contact surface or directly onto food
Sanitizing	Failure to destroy pathogenic microorganisms that may remain on a food contact surface after cleaning
Employee Health	Failure to prevent communicable diseases from being transmitted to food by infected employees
Employee Hygiene	Failure to prevent the introduction of foreign objects into food; prevent the possibility of
	transmitting disease through food
Bare Hand Contact	Failure to prevent the possibility of transmitting disease through food
Knowledge of the	Failure to designate a person to be in charge of food safety operations, to be
Person in Charge	knowledgeable about foodborne disease prevention

## RISK CONTROL PLAN

Food Establishment:	Person-in-Charge
Address:	Manager:
Phone Number:	Inspection Date:
TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE INSP	ECTOR:
Describe the violation (Risk Factor):	
Food Code Section Number:	
TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE PERS	SON IN CHARGE: (Use additional sheets if needed)
<b>Describe the problem</b> . Why is this proble	em occurring? Why is it difficult to control this problem?
How will you correct the problem?	
Will staff need to be re-trained? Who will t	rain them?
How will the corrective action be monitored	d? (logs, charts, visual monitoring of staff, etc.)
Who will be responsible to monitor it? How	often?
Who will check that the monitoring was do	ne? How often?
What will be done if the correction is not w	orking to control the violation?
How will you communicate the results to the	ne inspector?
Submitted by PIC:	Approved by INSPECTOR:
If you do not feel comfortable filling out the ris	ck control plan form, you can use a parrative as a written

If you do not feel comfortable filling out the risk control plan form, you can use a narrative as a written summary of the plan. The narrative should include a description of what needs to be controlled, how it will be controlled, the necessary records, name of the person who is responsible, training and equipment needs, and how the results will be communicated to the sanitarian. As an example:

- Hamburgers will be cooked to an internal temperature of 155 F for 15 seconds. Bob and Jimmy will make random temperature checks. If the hamburgers are not cooked to at least 155 F, the hamburgers will be returned to the grill until 155 F is reached.
- Sally will take four random temperatures of hamburgers in the morning and four random temperatures of hamburgers in the afternoon. She will record the temperatures on her production chart. In addition to returning any undercooked hamburgers to the grill, Sally will provide additional training and may make personnel changes if necessary, should the critical limit be exceeded. A note about any corrective action taken will also be recorded on the production chart.
- Sally will fax a copy of the production chart to Bill Smith, sanitarian, on Monday morning of each week. Sally will fax the charts for a period of two months ending on September 30, 2003.
- Bill Smith will review the charts, notify Sally if there are any concerns, and conduct a follow-up inspection after September 30, 2003

<sup>&</sup>quot;This plan is intended to assure the adequate cooking of hamburgers.

Sally Brown, the head chef, will train Bob and Jimmy, the grill line cooks, the proper procedures to cook hamburgers and to take temperatures using a digital thermometer.

# Annex 12 FOOD ESTABLISHMENT COVID-19 SELF-ASSESSMENT

Facility Name:	Address	Contact Info.
☐ <b>PIC:</b> We have a knowledgeable Per	rson-in-Charge (PIC) during A	ALL operating hours.
		COVID-19 protocols are followed on all shifts.
☐ <b>Masks:</b> We will enforce the mask	requirements for all staff and pasks until seated and provide	patrons. If necessary, we will have a Greeter remind masks as necessary. Face coverings are required at
ice makers, cleaned, or changed a	ll filters, checked refrigerators	our establishment, flushed hot and cold-water taps and s, and discarded any out-of-date foods and supplies.
☐ Cleaning and Disinfection: We have	ve staff designated to clean an	nd disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
<b>Operations:</b> We have simplified or	ur menu/operations to reduce	cross contamination and food prep by wait staff.
☐ Capacity: Indoor and outdoor seati	ng has been reduced where ne	eeded to maintain required 6 ft. social distancing.
☐ <b>Seating:</b> Outdoor seating, take-out	and other operation changes	will be approved by the Board of Health (BOH).
☐ <b>Tables:</b> All tables are placed to ensaway from high traffic areas.	sure that diner's chairs are at l	east 6 feet from other dining groups' chairs and
☐ Bathrooms: Bathrooms with enhan	nced cleaning schedules will b	pe maintained.
		g requirements are managed. If necessary, patrons only or called ahead for seating or pick-up.
☐ Social Distancing: We will enforce	6-ft social distancing as requ	ired by the BOH using signs, markers and reminders.
☐ Signage: We have State COVID-1	9 signage at the entrance remi	inding patrons to wear a mask until seated.
☐ Self-Service: We have limited elim	ninated all self-service items a	nd shared condiments.
$\square$ Hand Sanitizer: We have 60%+ et	hanol/70%+ isopropanol pum	p hand sanitizer available for staff and patrons.
☐ Health Screening: We screen our s	staff daily for illness and requi	ire sick staff to stay home.
COVID -19 Plan: We have a written	n COVID-19 Control Plan ava	ailable on request to protect our staff and patrons:
☐ Enhanced Facility Set-Up Prod	cedures	•
☐ Enhanced Operating Practices		
☐ Enhanced Signage.		
☐ Enhanced Cleaning and Sanita	tion Plan	
☐ Enhanced Staff Health Policie		
☐ Enhanced Staff Training Plan		
	neet the requirements of the M	Massachusetts Food Code 105 CMR 590.00.
☐ Inspections: We will notify the BO	•	
<u> </u>	y establishment with an outbre	eak, I will close for 24 hours for a deep cleaning and
	can't meet the current Social	Distancing, Disinfecting and Personal Protection
00 00	establishment referenced in t	8, the person-in-charge (PIC), the owner or an this self-certification and with authority to submit this s as allowed by law.
$\square$ I will call the BOH at least 24 hou	_	-
Name	Title	Date

## **ANNEX 13 BCBOHA PERSONAL PROTECTION PRECAUTIONS (PPP)**

Personal Protection Precautions are a system that requires you do ALL of these all the time. Protect yourself, your family and your neighbors by practicing these precautions. And remember, outside is safer than inside; masks are for almost everyone.

## ☐ Practice Be Safer Precautions to Reduce the Virus Load:

- **Stay Home:** stay home if feeling ill or have underlying health conditions.
- **Self-Monitoring**: report these symptoms immediately to your employer and health care provider:
  - o sudden loss of smell or taste or sudden onset of extreme fatigue
  - o fever over 100 F or 38 C; dry cough, sore throat, trouble breathing call your doctor
- Social Distancing: maintain 6-feet of social distancing from those outside your family unit.
- Limit Physical Sharing: don't share hugs, handshake, food, personal items or phones.
- Masks: wear a face mask when in public places and work, especially when you are walking around.
- Hand Hygiene: wash hands frequently with warm water and soap for 20 seconds to kill viruses; supplement with hand sanitizer rubbed until dry.
- Face Hygiene: avoid touching your face; especially your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Sanitizing: clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces often, including your personal spaces & phone.
- ☐ **Handwashing** is a contact sport that requires a minimum of 20 seconds contact with lots of soap bubbles to dissolve the virus coating and kill the virus. Use warm water, pump soap and vigorously rub palms, backs, wrists, between fingers and fingertips for 20 seconds. Silently count/sing to make sure it is 20 seconds. Dry with a single use paper towel and use the towel or the back of your wrist to turn off the water. Wash hands as soon as you arrive, between tasks, before/after eating and before you leave. When in doubt, wash your hands. Masks are First on, Last Off and should seal as tightly as possible around the nose, mouth and chin. Pantyhos sections may improve fit/effectiveness. Handle new masks with washed hands. Only handle **used** masks by the tie or rubber bands, never the inside or front. Wash hands well before and after. ☐ Cloth Face Coverings: do not reuse visibly soiled or wet cloth masks until washed and dried. Wear one to work and bring 2 more along. If riding public transportation, remove mask, safely store, wash your hands, put on a clean mask, and wash your hands again before working. Gloves are Last On, First Off and should only be used on freshly washed hands. Gloves are required when handling Ready to Eat (RTE) foods. Use a glove anytime you have a cut on your hand. Reusing gloves is not recommended as they develop small tears and are hard to take off without tearing or contaminating the inside. If you must reuse gloves, wash them thoroughly with soap and water before removing, and then remove carefully without tearing, keeping the outside out, if you can, and let them air dry wet side out. Then wash your hands thoroughly again with soap and water for 20 seconds, dry with a single use paper towel and finish with plenty of hand sanitizer that is rubbed in well and left to air dry. ☐ Mask and Glove Storage: store in separate, labeled paper bags if you need to save either of these for another u Let paper, construction or hospital type masks dry for at least 3 days before reuse. Gloves should also sit for at lea days before reuse. Use Hand Sanitizer: 60% ethanol/70% isopropanol pump hand sanitizer is not a substitute for handwashing as fats and proteins on hands keep it from working well. Hand sanitizer is used as a supplement to handwashing or when handwashing is not practical. Rub sanitizer everywhere vigorously on hands and fingers and let air dry before handling a clean mask and after removing a used mask, before and after eating or touching any potentially contaminated surfaces. Avoid Eating, Drinking and Face Touching: Avoid touching your face, eating or drinking without freshly washed hands. If you must eat or drink, please wash your hands, go outside and wash your hands again when you return. Consider using only single serving, pre-packaged foods and drinks in closed containers with straws. If you must touch your face, wash your hands or use a clean tissue or towel.

## ANNEX 14 FOOD INSPECTOR TIP SHEET

#### Mass Food Code Sections

Mass Food C	oue sections	
590.001 FC-1	Purpose and Definitions	FC Chapter 3 – Food
590.002 FC-2	Management and Personnel	FC Chapter 4 - Equipment, Utensils, and Linens
590.003 FC-3	Food	FC Chapter 5 - Water, Plumbing, and Waste
590.004 FC-4	Equipment, Utensils and Linens	FC Chapter 6 - Physical Facilities
590.005 FC-5	Water, Plumbing and Waste	FC Chapter 7 - Poisonous or Toxic Materials
590.006 FC-6	Physical Facilities	FC Chapter 8 – Compliance and Enforcement
590.007 FC-7	Poisonous/Toxic Materials	Chapter 9 – Special Requirements
590.008 FC-8	Compliance and Enforcement	Chapter 10 – Guidance on Retail Operations
590.009	Special MA Requirements	Chapter 11 – Additional Requirements
590.010	Guidance for Retail Operations	Chapter 12 – Administrative Procedures
590.011	Statutory Requirements	5 Foodborne Illness Risk Factors
590.012	Examination and Embargo of Food	- Food from unsafe sources/receiving temps
590.013	Vending Machines	- Inadequate cooking temps
590.014	Permits: Suspension and Revocation	- Improper holding temps
590.015	Service of Orders/Hearing	- Contaminated equipment
590.016	Criminal Penalties	- Poor personal hygiene
590.017	Advisory Committee	
590.018	Severability	

## Merged Food Code organized using the FDA 2013

FC Chapter 1 - Purpose and Definitions

FC Chapter 2 - Management and Personnel

## **Code Nomenclature and Conventions**

**CHAPTER:** 3 Reference this chapter heading to find a Part **PART:** 3-3 Protection from Contamination after Receiving **SUBPART:** 3-301 Preventing Contamination by Employees

**SECTION**: 3-301.**11** Preventing Contamination from Hands\*(Stricken in 105CMR.590.03 (E)

**PARAGRAPH:** 3-301.11 (A) Food employees shall wash their hands. **SUBPARAGRAPH:** 3-301.11 A(1) Usually designated with a number.

Section Numbers ending in **0** OR **00** are FYI and NOT DEBITABLE. Need another section to be violation.

SECTIONS ENDING IN: #110 ARE DEBITABLE

P = Priority – main items contributing directly to safe food

**Pf** = **Priority Foundation supports Priority Items** 

**Core** = general Code items such as sanitation

\* = Critical Items/Violations at end of the tag line

N = Non-Critical Items

S = Swing Item that can be critical

Shall: It is a command /imperative; May Not: Absolutely prohibits; May: Permissive

### **Inspection Form**

### TWO SECTIONS: Each has violations that are Priority, Priority Foundation, Core

- 1. Top (RED) 1-29: Foodborne Illness Risk Factors and Public Health Interventions
- 2. **Bottom (BLUE) 30 56:** Good Retail Practices and MA only items

**IN**= in compliance, **OUT**= not in compliance or **COS** = Corrected on the spot  $\mathbf{R}$  = Repeat Violation

### **Correction times** – immediately or

P = 72 hours; Pf = 10 days; C = 90 days or as agreed in a written plan

**Correction Options:** food embargo/voluntary disposal; more training, permit modifications, written HACCP plans or Corrective Action Plans (CAP), employee restrictions/exclusions, closure/revocation.

## Food Time/Temps for Safety Rules of Thumb

Danger Zone = 41F to 135F

Maintain Food at 135F indefinitely, though it will lose quality.

**Keep Open Foods Refrigerated for 7 days (label)** 

Reheat to 165F one time if food falls below 135F for less than 2 hours; otherwise discard Cannot mix batches unless for immediate service or reheat everything to 165F

## Time as a PH Control (TPHC) - requires a written plan.

**2 Hrs.** Unknown/Special populations up to 2 hours; then discard.

**4 Hrs.** Hot RTE Foods: 4 hours above 41F and below 135F; then discard.

**6 Hrs**. Cold RTE Foods: 6 hours from internal temp of 41F to 70F; then discard.

## **Quick Guide to Cooked Food Temps – Check Code for Details**

Food Type/Process	Temperature	Hold Time/Appearance	Details
Fruit and Vegetables	135F		
Whole Meat	145F	3 minutes	
<b>Ground Meat</b>	160F		
Ham, fully cooked	140F		
Ham, uncooked	145F	3 minutes	
Poultry, Game	165F	15 seconds	
Eggs	145F	15 sec/Till Firm	
Egg Dishes	165F		
Fin Fish	145F	Or flesh is opaque	
Shrimp, Lobster, Crabs		Flesh opaque	
Clams, Oysters, Mussels		Shells open	
Leftovers, Casserole	165F		
Raw Fish	-4F	7 days	Freeze 7 days to kill parasites
<b>Microwave Cooking</b>	165F	2 minutes, stirred	
<b>Reheating for Hot Holding</b>	165F	15 seconds	2-hour max to reheat from 41F
Cooling	135F – 41F	6 hrs. total	135F to 70F in 2 hours

## Time/Temp Relationship for Whole Meats/Roasts

Final Internal Cook Temp (°F)	Time in Minutes Held at Temp.	Final Internal Cook Temp (°F)	Time in Minutes Held at Temp.	Final Internal Cook Temp (°F)	Time in Minutes Held at Temp.
130°F	112 minutes	140°F	12 minutes	151°F	54 seconds
131°F	89	142°F	8 minutes	153°F	34 seconds
133°F	56	144°F	5 minutes	155°F	22 seconds
135°F	36	145°F	4 minutes	157°F	14 seconds
136°F	28	147°F	134 seconds	158°F	0 seconds
138°F	18	149°F	85 seconds		

## **Sanitizers**

C	Chlorine oncentration		<b>Temperature</b> ne 7 – 10 sec.	Iodine Contact Time 30 seconds	Quaternary Ammonium Contact Time 30 sec.	High Temp Sanitizing Ware Washing				
	Mg/L	pH 10 or less °C (°F)	pH 8 or less °C (°F)	Minimum temperature of 20°C (68°F), P	Minimum Temp of 24C/75F. Follow Manufacturer's	<b>Manual</b> 77C/171F	Machine 74C/165F			
	25 - 49	49 (120)	49 (120)	pH of 5.0;	Directions		82C/180F			
	50 – 99	38 (100)	24 (75)	Concentration			Manifold			
	100	13 (55)	13 (55)	between 12.5 MG/L and 25 MG/L; P			90C/194F			

## ANNEX 15 COMMON FOOD ESTABLISHMENT VIOLATIONS

## TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN - BOARD OF HEALTH

- 1. Improper restriction or exclusion of employees with illnesses.
- 2. Hand washing not performed frequently or properly.
- 3. Gloves not being worn when preparing RTE food.
- 4. Clean outer clothing and/or aprons not worn.
- 5. Hair restraints not worn; improper restraint of hair.
- 6. Excessive jewelry on hands; fingernail polish.
- 7. Wiping cloths in sanitizer not available or easily accessible.
- 8. Sanitizer test papers not available.
- 9. Floors, windowsills, underneath tables and equipment not kept clean.
- 10. Insufficient lighting; unshielded lights; damaged lights.
- 11. Unused, unnecessary articles and equipment not discarded.
- 12. Build-up of debris and articles in corners, floor junctures, etc.
- 13. Dirt/dust build-up on ceilings, walls, lights, vents, in cooler fans.
- 14. Dumpster areas not kept clean and closed; no concrete/asphalt pad.
- 15. Outer openings not maintained; intact screens and self-closing doors.
- 16. Bathrooms not adequately cleaned.
- 17. Hand washing signs not posted.
- 18. No liquid soap and paper towels in bathrooms/hand washing areas.
- 19. No thermometers in coolers/refrigerators.
- 20. No probe-type thermometers for product internal temperature.
- 21. Food items not properly stored or segregated.
  - a. 6 inches off floor and away from walls; food covered and labeled.
- 22. Food items not properly thawed.
  - a. Under refrigeration or under cool, running water.
- 23. Food items not properly cooled.
  - a. In shallow pans; cool to 70°F within 2 hours, below 41°F within 4 hours.
- 24. Temperature of food items not monitored.
  - a. Less than 41°F, more than 135°F
- 25. Improper food use/handling, preparation, and/or service.
- 26. No warning for raw or undercooked foods on premises or in menu.
  - a. "WARNING: Items listed with an asterisk (\*) may contain raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs and may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions."

# ANNEX 15 FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION FORMS

Town of Williamstown Board of Health
31 North Street, Williamstown, MA 01267 Tel./Fax: (413) 458-9344
FOOD ESTABLISHMENT QUICK INSPECTION REPORT

Date/Tir	me of Inspection	Date/Time of Re-inspection
Owner/I	Manager/PIC	
Signatu	re	
	CHECK VIOLA	ATED PROVISIONS
<u> </u>	Improper restriction or exclusion	
<b>1</b> 2.	Hand washing not performed for	requently or properly.
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4.	Clean outer clothing a/o apron	•
 5.	Hair restraints not worn; impro	
6.	Excessive jewelry on hands; fil	
_	Wiping cloths in sanitizer not a	
·· 8.	Sanitizer test papers not availa	·
<u> </u>		h tables & equipment not kept clean.
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 11.		
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<u> </u>	Dirt/dust build-up on ceilings, v	valls, lights, vents, in cooler fans.
<u> </u>	Dumpster areas not kept clean	& closed; no concrete/asphalt pad.
<u> </u>	Outer openings not maintained	l; intact screens & self-closing doors.
<u> </u>	Bathrooms not adequately clea	aned.
☐ 17.	Hand washing signs not posted	d.
☐ 18.	No liquid soap and paper towe	ls in bathrooms/hand washing areas.
<u> </u>	No thermometers in coolers/re	frigerators.
□ 20.	No probe-type thermometers for	or product internal temperature.
	Food items not properly stored	or segregated.
	a. 6 inches off floor & away fro	m walls; food covered & labeled.
<u> </u>	Food items not properly thawe	d.
	a. Under refrigeration or under	cool, running water.
<u>23.</u>	Food items not properly cooled	<b>i</b> .
	a. In shallow pans; cool to 70°	F w/i 2 hours, below 41°F w/i 4 hours
<u> </u>	Temperature of food items not	monitored.
	a. Less than 41°F, more than1	35°F
<u></u>	Improper food use/handling, pr	reparation, a/o service.
<u></u>	No warning for raw or underco	oked foods on premises or in menu.
	Other:	
□ 28	Other:	

Town/City of Board of He Establishment Inspection Report (Alliance 2020.10.	Type of Operation Food Service Establish.	Type of Inspection Routine							
Name Permit # Address	Date/Time of Inspection  Date/Time of Scheduled Re-inspection	☐ Retail Food Store ☐ Residential: Cottage Foods ☐ Residential: B and B	☐ Re-inspection ☐ Pre-operation ☐ Illness Investigation						
Telephone	☐ In-person ☐ Remote ☐ Mixed ☐ Self-Assessment	☐ Mobile/Pushcart ☐ Temporary Food Establish.	☐ General Complaint ☐ HACCP						
Owner	Risk Category 1 1 2 3 4 HACCP Yes No	Farmers' Market Other	COVID Control Plan Other						
Person in Charge (PIC) Certification Expiration Date	Name of Inspector								
Based on an inspection today, the items marked 'OUT' indicate violated provisions of 105 CMR 590.000 and the 2013 FDA Food Code.  THIS REPORT SERVES AS OFFICIAL NOTICE OF VIOLATED PROVISIONS AND OFFICIAL ORDER TO CORRECT SAID  VIOLATIONS. FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF YOUR FOOD ESTABLISHMENT  PERMIT AND CESSATION OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT OPERATIONS. Violated provisions must be corrected by the scheduled date of the re-inspection. You may request—in writing—a hearing before the Board of Health if you are aggrieved by this order. The Board must receive the request within 10 days after the receipt of this order in accordance with 105 CMR 590.015(B)									
Maximum correction times - Unless shorter time period is spec C - Core Item (90 days) IN- In compliance OUT - Out of c On the Spec	•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							

## FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS/PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

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4	Person in Charge Present, demonstrates			1				27 Food additives: approved & properly used		
1	knowledge, performs duties	L	J L	J		Ш	Ш	Toxic substance properly identified, stored &		
2	Certified Food Protection Manager							useu — — —	ш	Ш
<b>EMP</b>	LOYEE HEALTH							CONFORMANCE WITH APPROVED PROCEDURES		
3	Mgt., food employee & conditional employee: knowledge, responsibilities and reporting			]				29 Compliance with variance/specialized procedure/ HACCP plan		
4	Proper use of restriction & exclusion		] [	]				<b>GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES AND MASSACHUSETTS-ONLY SECTION</b>	IS	
5	Procedure for responding to vomiting &		1 _	1				SAFE FOOD AND WATER		
	diarrheal events	<u> </u>		J		ш	ш	30 Pasteurized eggs used where required		
GOC	D HYGIENIC PRACTICES	_			_	_	_	31 Water & ice from approved source		
6	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco	L	! <u>L</u>	]	╚	$\sqcup$	빌	Variance obtained for specialized processing	П	
7	No discharge from eye, nose & mouth	L		J		Ш	Ш	methous.		
	VENTING CONTAMINATION FROM HANDS	_	. –	,				FOOD TEMPERATURE CONTROL		
8	Hands clean & properly washed	늗	:	] _	, 님	님	님	Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control		
9	No bare-hand contact with RTE food	<u> </u>	J L	J L	ı U	Ш	Ш			П
10	Adequate hand wash sinks properly supplied & accessible			]				34 Plant food properly cooked for hot holding	H	H
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11	Food obtained from an approved source	Г	1 [	1			П	FOOD IDENTIFICATION	ш	Ш
12	Food received at proper temperature	F	i F	iг	ΙП	Ħ	П	37 Food properly labeled; original container	П	П
13	Food received in good condition, safe &	_	. –	. –	_	_	_	PREVENTION OF FOOD CONTAMINATION	_	
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14	Required records available: shellstock tags,			1 —				Contamination prevented during food		П
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PRO	TECTION FROM CONTAMINATION	_			_	_	_	40 Personal cleanliness		
15	Food separated and protected		] [	] [	] $\square$			41 Wiping cloths: properly used & stored		
16	Food contact surfaces: clean/sanitized	L	J L	J L	j	Ш	Ш	42 Washing fruits & vegetables	Ш	Ш
17	Proper disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned & unsafe food		1 [	1			П	PROPER USE OF UTENSILS		_
				•		_	_	43 In-use utensils properly stored	Ш	Ш
TIME 18	E/TEMPERATURE CONTROL FOR SAFETY  Proper cooking time & temperatures		1 _	1 _	1 🗆	П	П	44 Utensils, equipment & linens: properly stored, dried & handled		
19	Proper reheating procede. for hot holding	F	i F	i F	iΗ	片	H	Single use/single service articles: property	_	_
20	Proper cooling time and temperature	Ē	iΞ	iΞ	iΠ		ĭ	45 Single use/single service articles: properly stored & used	Ш	Ш
21	Proper hot holding temperature	F	iΕ	iΞ	i П	Ħ	Ħ	46 Gloves properly used		П

22 Proper cold holding temperature 23 Proper date marking & disposition 24 Time as a Public Health Control CONSUMER ADVISORY 25 Consumer advisory provided for raw/undercooked food HIGHLY SUSCEPTIBLE POPULATIONS Pasteurized foods used; prohibited food not offered									47 48 49	SILS, EQUIPMENT & VENDING  Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed & used  Warewashing facilities: installed maintained & used; test strips  Non-food contact surfaces clean  ICAL FACILITIES  H & C water available; adequate pressure  Plumbing inst.; proper backflow devices												
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53	Toilet features: properly constructed, supplied & cleaned  Garbage and refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained  Physical facilities installed, maintained & cleaned  Adequate ventilation & lighting; designated areas used								M4 M5	Мо	Caterer L Mobile Food Operation  Temporary Food Establishment [											
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