

**CITY OF PASSAIC
DIVISION OF HEALTH
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Keep Your Establishment Violation Free

**BASIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS
FOR FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS**

- ❖ All refrigeration units, freezer units, and hot holding units must have thermometers to monitor temperatures.
- ❖ All handwashing sinks must have hand soap, paper towels, a handwashing sign, and a trash can.
- ❖ All equipment must be clean to sight and touch and in good repair.
- ❖ Floors, walls, and ceilings must be smooth, non-absorbent and easily cleanable. Floors, walls and ceilings must be light colored in the food preparation area.
- ❖ Foods that are to be kept cold must be 41 degrees Fahrenheit or below and hot must be 135 degrees or above.
- ❖ Food storage must be stored in a clean, dry location and elevated at least six inches from the floor. If prepackaged foods are stored on dollies, pallets, racks or skids, they do not have to be stored six inches above the floor.
- ❖ Restroom doors must be self-closing. A trash can with a lid or cover must be provided in the ladies' restroom.
- ❖ Light fixtures in food preparation areas or areas where there will be exposed foods must be protected from breakage through use of protective devices such as shields, guards, coatings, or covers.
- ❖ All single service and or regular utensils, plates, bowls, pans, etc. must be protected from contamination during storage. These items must be stored in an inverted position, i.e., with the food contact part of the item facing down. Utensil handles must be stored with handles in one direction. If utensils are stored in an up-right container, the handles must be facing outwards to prevent contamination of the food contact portion.
- ❖ The establishment must be vermin-free at all times. Effective and approved measures must be employed to prevent the entry, harborage, and breeding of vermin. All extermination services must be performed by a licensed exterminator.
- ❖ Post your "Satisfactory" rating placard and food establishment license in a conspicuous place, i.e. a place where it can be viewed by the public. Inspection reports must be kept on site for review.