

ATTACHMENT III**COUNTY OF ORANGE
HEALTH CARE AGENCY
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIVISION****RECOMMENDED FOOD HANDLING GUIDELINES
FOR NONPROFIT ASSOCIATIONS****I. FOOD HANDLERS**

- A. Wear clean clothing.
- B. Wash hands before handling food and at frequent intervals.
- C. Wear hat, cap, or some type of hair covering.
- D. Do not smoke in food booths.
- E. If you are ill or have sores on your hands, you should not handle foods.

II. REFRIGERATION-COLD FOODS

- A. Refrigeration; dry ice; or ice may be used.
- B. Meats, hamburger patties, sauces, cream pastries, wieners, sausages, milk and other readily perishable foods require refrigeration to 41°F or below to prevent the growth of pathogenic bacteria or the production of toxins. --- **VERY IMPORTANT!**
- C. Foods should not be kept out at room temperature in your stands if they require refrigeration.
- D. Thaw all frozen foods by placing them in a refrigerator, or by use of ice or dry ice. You may need 24 to 30 hours to thaw food in this manner.

III. HOT FOODS

- A. Keep foods being served hot at 135°F or above to prevent the growth of pathogenic bacteria or the production of toxins.
- B. Foods kept in warmers or similar devices should be heated quickly.
- C. All hot foods left over from the previous day should not be reused.

IV. FOOD PROTECTION

- A. All open food should be protected from contamination by the public and the food booth workers.
- B. Keep foods covered as much as possible to protect all open foods from flies, dust, insects, and the public. Screening of booths is recommended.
- C. All food, food containers, and utensils should be kept a minimum of six (6) inches above the floor.
- D. Handle foods as little as possible. Use utensils (i.e., tongs, scoops, etc.).

V. UTENSILS

- A. Use only clean utensils.
- B. Use only single-use, throw-away spoons, forks, plates, cups, etc.
- C. Do not use galvanized or enamelware storage containers for acidic foods or juices.
- D. A food thermometer is required in each food booth.

VI. INSECTICIDES: Do not store any poisonous substances such as insecticides near foods.

VII. CONDIMENTS: Individual packages, squeeze, pour or pump-type containers should be used.

Should you desire further information, please contact this office at (714) 433-6000.

In addition to the handwashing stations provided for the toilet facilities, approved handwashing facilities must be provided within each TFF where unpackaged foods or beverages are prepared, assembled, processed, displayed or served. Each handwashing facility shall have warm running water, single service paper towels and soap from dispensers.

Temporary Food Facility (TFF) Handwashing Station

