

DINE IN, DRIVE-THRU & TAKE-OUT

TIPS FOR NAVIGATING FOODSERVICE'S NEW NORMAL

Begin with these official CDC, FDA and ServSafe guidelines:

Thoroughly "detailclean" your entire facility and sanitize all food contact surfaces. Establish protocols to do so regularly.¹



Update floor plans for common dining areas, redesigning seating arrangements to ensure at least 6 feet of separation between table setups.⁶



ESSENTIAL FACILITY STANDARDS

Add physical barriers and procedures for social distancing (e.g., sneeze guards and partitions) in areas where it's difficult to remain apart



Clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces (door handles, digital devices*, bathroom fixtures, chairs, tables, etc.) extensively using EPA-registered disinfectants.¹



For disinfectants effective against COVID-19, refer to EPA's List N. These products can also be used on food contact surfaces followed by a rinse of potable water.

Provide physical guides, such as tape on floors or sidewalks to ensure that customers remain at least 6 feet apart.⁶



Essential Staff Standards



Understand The Differences Between **Cleaning, Sanitizing, And Disinfecting:**



Cleaning is the removal of visible soil and food debris from surfaces.³ Cleaning is a prerequisite for effective sanitization or disinfection.⁴



Sanitizing reduces the presence of any bacteria, viruses and fungi on a previously cleaned surface to safe levels.³



Disinfecting is the elimination of pathogens and disease-causing microorganisms.⁴

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STANDARD FOOD SAFETY PROTOCOLS REMAIN PARAMOUNT

Maintaining time and temperature controls and mitigating surface to surface cross-contamination is essential.

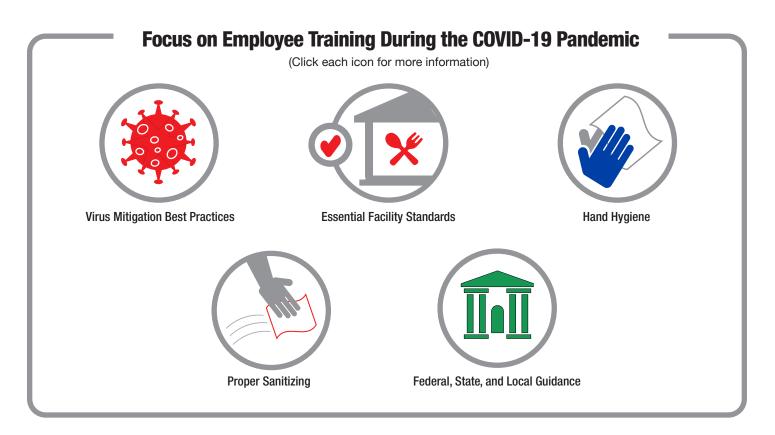


Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold by storing in appropriate transport vessels.¹

- Keep cold foods cold by keeping enough coolant materials, *e.g.*, gel packs.¹
- Keep hot foods hot by ensuring insulated cases are properly functioning.¹



Keep foods separated to avoid cross-contamination, *e.g.*, keeping raw foods separated from cooked and ready-to-eat foods.¹



- * Follow device manufacturer's instructions
- ¹ https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/food-safety-education/get-answers/food-safety-fact-sheets/safe-food-handling/danger-zone-40-f-140-f/ct_index
- ² https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html
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⁴ https://www.foodsafetymagazine.com/magazine-archive1/augustseptember-2018/is-it-time-to-change-how-we-clean-and-sanitize-food-contact-surfaces-with-reusable-wiping-towels/ ⁵ https://www.servsafe.com/ServSafe/media/ServSafe/Documents/Coronavirus_COVID-19_Info_TipsforRestaurants.pdf

⁶ https://go.restaurant.org/rs/078-ZLA-461/images/National-Restaurant-Assocation-COVID19-Safe-Operating-Guidance.pdf

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