

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

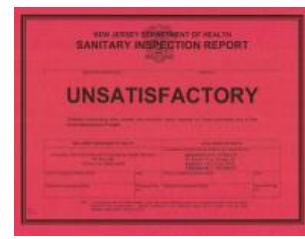
Spring/Summer 2019

Post-It

On February 10, 2016, the Englewood Board of Health adopted an Ordinance on the placement of the Inspection Evaluation Placards. In Accordance with the Englewood Health Code Chapter 8-6 (b):

The Inspection Evaluation Placard **must be posted** in one of the following prominent locations clearly visible to the patron:

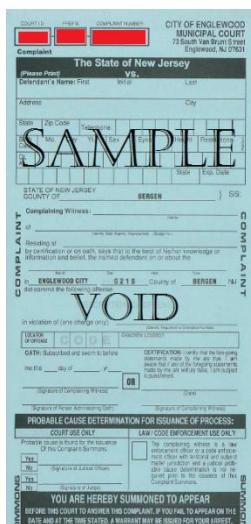
1. The main entrance door from four to six feet off the ground or floor;
2. A front window within five (5) feet of the main entrance;
3. A display case mounted on the outside wall within five (5) feet of the main entrance;
4. If there is no direct entrance to the street, the Health Department shall determine an appropriate posting location in prominent public view.



For further information on this ordinance, please visit our website at www.cityofenglewood.org



And the Summons goes to...



At a recent meeting, the Board of Health requested that the Department increase its enforcement practices when it comes to retail food establishments that fail to comply with the regulations set forth by the NJ State Sanitary Code Chapter 24 as well as the Englewood Health Code.

During 2018, the REHS team conducted a total of nine administrative hearings. These hearings were scheduled with the food establishment owners to discuss the repetitive violations issued within an establishment that warranted the rating of "Conditional" upon re-inspection. During these hearings, the establishment owner provides his course of action on how the establishment will correct all violations and bring the establishment into compliance.

Any violations after the hearing will result in a summons for each repeat violation. In order for a retail food establishment to stop receiving summonses on repeat violations, they must be clear of the same violation for an entire licensing year (April 1-March 31).

Practicing safe food handling techniques on a daily basis can benefit your establishment's reputation. Don't let these violations determine your success.



Language Survey

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) awarded the Englewood Health Department a \$2887.00 grant to create Food Safety Posters. The Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) team and intern will be conducting a needs assessment of all retail food establishments in the City of Englewood in March and April. The information gathered in this survey will be used to create posters to better understand food safety in languages that are spoken in Englewood restaurants. Once the posters are complete, they will then be distributed to the restaurants free of charge.



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Phone: 201-568-3450
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Hours: M-F 9am-4pm

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Rec'd Date: _____

Textbook Issued:

(Date & Applicant Initials)

FOOD MANAGER CERTIFICATION CLASS AND EXAM

Class Description

Our 8-hour Food Manager Certification Course will cover topics explaining how to provide safe foods, different forms of cross contamination, the flow of food, and pest management. The information will be presented using DVDs, instructor presentation and the food manager text book. At the end of the class, an examination will be administered. Exams will be available in English and Spanish. Students who pass the exam will be awarded a 5-year Food Manager Certificate.

Class Fee

\$185.00 (Includes exam sheet, textbook, and materials) Must be paid two weeks in advance.

Checks payable to: Englewood Health Department

Check _____ Cash _____ Money Order _____

Cash and Money Order will be accepted if paying in person.

Note:

Textbook and materials will not be mailed and must be picked up at the health department prior to the class.

Fees are NOT REFUNDABLE. Class may be rescheduled due to unforeseen/unplanned circumstances.

Food Manager Certification Course & Exam

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2019
Time: 9:30am-5:30pm
Location: Englewood Public Library (Mackay Room)
31 Engle Street (parking in the rear)
Register by: Friday, March 15, 2019

*NOTE: Exam-takers **MUST** show a photo ID on the day of the exam (driver's license, military ID, alien registration card, passport, State/County ID).*

Name of Applicant	Phone Number	Email	
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Name of Food Establishment (if applicable)		Phone Number	
Food Establishment Street Address	City	State	Zip Code



Wash fruits and veggies—but not meat, poultry, or eggs!

Did you know that—even if you plan to peel fruits and veggies—it's important to wash them first because bacteria can spread from the outside to the inside as you cut or peel them?

Here's how to wash all your produce effectively...

1. Cut away any damaged or bruised areas.
2. Rinse produce under running water. Don't use soap, detergent, bleach, or commercial produce washes.
3. Scrub firm produce—like melons or cucumbers—with a clean produce brush.
4. Dry produce with a paper towel or clean cloth towel... and you're done.
5. The good news? Bagged produce marked “pre-washed” is safe to use without further washing.

Why not wash meat, poultry, and eggs?

Washing raw meat and poultry can actually help bacteria spread, because their juices may splash onto (and contaminate!) your sink and countertops.

All commercial eggs are washed before sale. Any extra handling of the eggs, such as washing, may actually increase the risk of cross-contamination, especially if the shell becomes cracked.

For further information please visit <https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep/basics/clean/index.html> .

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