TULSA HEALTH Department

Food Protection Services

FOOD FOCUS

July 2025

Summer Food Safety

Keeping Cold Food Safe

Hot weather can quickly impact food safety, especially in food trucks and commercial kitchens. Stay ahead of the heat by keeping up with maintenance on refrigeration units and make tables. Always keep the make table lid closed when not in use and avoid overstocking refrigerators and make tables so cold air can circulate. Consider adding extra fans for ventilation, parking in the shade whenever possible, and using screens to allow doors and windows to stay open without letting pests in.

Reminder: Cooling food on mobiles is not permitted. Any food found being cooled on a mobile will be discarded!

Need help staying on top of food safety tasks?

The Tulsa Health Department *(THD)* offers resources including daily self-inspection checklists, cold/hot hold and cooling monitoring forms, an employee health policy, a vomit and diarrhea clean-up procedure and guidance for keeping food safe during a temporary power outage.

These free resources are available online to support your team and help maintain food safety standards all summer long. Scan the code to access these valuable resources.

Interested in Learning More About Food Safety?

Please take a brief survey to help the Tulsa Health Department gauge community interest in future food safety presentations.

Manager Certification

Leading by Example in Food Safety

THD requires all food establishments that prepare time/temperature control for safety *(TCS)* food to have at least one certified food manager with a course approved by the American National Standards Institute *(ANSI)*. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, restaurants with a certified food manager are less likely to experience a foodborne illness outbreak.

Scan the code to learn more about ANSI-approved certification courses.

After completing a course, bring your certificate, a valid photo ID, and $25 to the Tulsa Health Department at **5051 S. 129th E. Avenue** to obtain your official THD food manager certificate.

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City License Renewal

Don't Miss the Deadline!

City licenses expired June 30, 2025. Renewal forms were mailed at the beginning of June. If you did not receive one, please visit the Tulsa Health Department at **5051 S. 129th E. Avenue** to pick up a city license renewal form.

Bring the completed renewal form and a valid sales tax permit to City Hall to make your payment. **A 50% late fee will be added if payment is not received by July 30.**

UPDATE

Moving?

Changed Your Contact Info?

- Mailing address
- Email address
- Hours of operation
- Phone number
- Location of operation *(for mobiles)*

Keeping your information current helps us notify you about important issues, such as license delinquencies, and allows us to serve you—and the public—more effectively.

You can update your information by calling our clerical team at 918.595.4300. They will connect you with your inspector who will assist you with updating your business records.

How Are We Doing?

The THD Food Protection Services team at the 2024 Tulsa State Fair, where they inspected over 200 vendor setups.

Your feedback helps us continue to improve how we protect and support the community.

Please scan the code to take a brief survey.

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