

REVISED CLASSIFICATION OF CONNECTICUT FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS

CURRENT CLASSIFICATIONS UNDER 19-13-B42 NEW CLASSIFICATIONS UNDER PA 17-93

CLASS 1:

- Commercially prepackaged food
- Hot and cold beverages
- Hot holding of commercially pre-cooked PHFs that are heated and served in the original package within 4 hours
- No preparation or cooking

CLASS 2:

- Preparation of cold or RTE commercially processed food that does not require heat treatment
- Hot and cold beverages
- Hot holding of commercially pre-cooked PHFs that are heated and served in the original package within 4 hours
- Reheat and hot holding of commercially precooked hot dogs, kielbasa, and soup taken directly from the package and served within 4 hours

CLASS 3:

- Preparation, cooking, hot/cold holding of PHF that are consumed within 4 hours of preparation

CLASS 4:

- Preparation, cooking, hot holding greater than 4 hours after preparation and prior to consumption, and cooling of PHF

CLASS 1:

- Prepackaged food that is not TCS
- Commercially prepackaged, processed (fully cooked) food that is TCS and either cold-held or heated for hot holding, but not cooled
- Preparation of non-TCS foods

CLASS 2:

- Preparation of limited menu TCS food that is served immediately, cold-held or hot-held for an unspecified length of time
- No cooling of TCS foods allowed
- Does not include facilities that provide foodservice specifically to a highly-susceptible population

CLASS 3:

- Preparation of an extensive menu of TCS food involving complex processes including cooking, cooling, reheating for hot-holding, and handling of raw ingredients
- Does not include facilities that provide foodservice specifically to a highly-susceptible population

CLASS 4:

- On-site preparations of foods by special processes, such as sous vide, acidification, ROP, etc.
- Preparation of an extensive menu of TCS food involving complex processes including cooking, cooling, reheating for hot-holding, and handling of raw ingredients that is served in an establishment which serves a highly-susceptible population

EXAMPLES OF ESTABLISHMENTS UTILIZING NEW CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

The following list is intended to provide some common examples of how food establishments would be classified under the new definitions. It is not meant to be all inclusive or absolute as menus and processes are subject to change even within major chain restaurants.

CLASS 1:

- Coffee shops that do not prepare any TCS foods. May prepare non-TCS baked goods
- Ice cream shops (may also prepare and bake non-TCS foods for use)
- Gas stations such as 7-Eleven, Cumberland Farms, etc. that only heat commercially prepackaged TCS foods for hot holding or cold-hold TCS foods, such as commercially prepackaged fully cooked breakfast sandwiches or burgers
- Establishment that prepares non-TCS foods such as peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, Fluffernutter sandwiches, chocolates, cookies, cakes, or other non-TCS confections

CLASS 2:

- McDonald's
- Dunkin Donuts
- Taco Bell
- Burger King
- Five Guys
- Wendy's (if they do not cool burgers for chili)
- Subway restaurants (if they do not cool and reheat TCS foods, e.g. soup and meatballs)
- Gas stations such as 7-Eleven, Cumberland Farms, etc. that heat bulk TCS foods for hot holding (such as hot dog rollers, nachos with cheese, etc.)
- Deli preparing hot or cold sandwiches and does not cool food at the end of the day
- Schools (not including preschool facilities) if they do not cool foods

CLASS 3:

- Wendy's (if they cool burgers for chili)
- Subway (if they cool and reheat TCS foods, e.g. soup and meatballs)
- KFC (if they cool chicken for pot pies)
- Full-service restaurants, caterers, itinerant vendors, grocery stores that use complex processes (cool foods for later service, including same day service and reheating processes)
- Schools (not including preschool facilities) that cool and reheat foods

CLASS 4:

- Hospitals
- Long-term care facilities
- Preschools that provide foodservice
- Daycare centers for elderly or preschool age children that provide foodservice
- Any food establishment that engages in special processes such as acidification, smoking, curing, reduced oxygen packaging (including sous vide), sprouting seeds, etc.

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