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Dear Owner or Manager,

Recently, we have received several requests from Food Establishment owners and managers for approval to use time only, rather than time in conjunction with temperature as the public health control for ready-to-eat potentially hazardous food that is displayed or held for service for immediate consumption.

Therefore, NorthWest Bergen Regional Health Commission is offering the opportunity to apply for approval to do so.

If you wish to obtain approval, please complete and submit the enclosed application along with a written procedure for approval.

Please contact NorthWest Bergen Regional Health Commission if you have any questions or concerns. You can also visit www.nwbrhc.org for more information and copies of the application.

Sincerely,

Angela Musella

Angela Musella, MPH
Health Officer

Application for Using Time Only as the Public Health Control

I am requesting NorthWest Bergen Regional Health Commission's approval to use time only, rather than time in conjunction with temperature as the public health control for ready-to-eat potentially hazardous foods that is displayed or held for service for immediate consumption and agree to comply with the following conditions as stated in the New Jersey State Sanitary Code (N.J.A.C. 8:24-3.5g)

(g) If time only, rather than time in conjunction with temperature, is used as the public health control for a working supply of potentially hazardous food before cooking, or for ready-to-eat potentially hazardous food that is displayed or held for service for immediate consumption:

1. The food shall be marked or otherwise identified to indicate the time that is four hours past the point in time when the food is removed from temperature control;
2. The food shall be cooked and served, served if ready-to-eat, or discarded, within four hours from the point in time when the food is removed from temperature control;
3. The food in unmarked containers or packages or marked to exceed a four hour limit shall be discarded; and
4. Written procedures shall be submitted to the health authority for approval prior to using time as a public health control and shall be maintained in the retail food establishment to ensure compliance with:
 - i. Paragraphs (g) 1 through 3 above; and
 - ii. Subsection (d) above, for food that is prepared, cooked, and refrigerated before time is used as the public health control

By submitting this request, I am agreeing to follow the guidelines as stated above, and that if at any time we are observed not in compliance, I will voluntarily discard any food product found in violation of this regulation. I am also hereby submitting a written procedure and a list of the specific foods to be served for approval. In addition, I understand that violation of this regulation is subject to summons(es) to municipal court and/or approval to be revoked.

Owner/Manager: _____

Establishment: _____

Phone #: _____ () _____ Email: _____

Foods To Be Served: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____