

Food Hygiene Standards

Market stalls, mobile vehicles and other similar catering operations



Requirements for a Catering Stall

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Fully covered to the top and sides, including the food preparation, food storage areas and the wash-up areas
- · All surfaces should be smooth, impervious
- · All surfaces should be clean and in good repair

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - A basin or sink must be provided with an instant supply of hot and cold water with drainage facilities (thermos flasks of hot water and hot water from a kettle are NOT acceptable)
 - Soap must be provided for the hygienic cleaning of hands (ideally antibacterial liquid soap)
 - Paper towels for hygienic drying of hands must be provided
 - Alcohol-based hand gel/sanitiser or wipes may be used to supplement other means of hand wash facilities
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - · Smooth, washable chopping boards or worktops must be provided
 - There must be adequate separation between raw and cooked/readyto-eat foods
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work equipment and utensils (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):

- A sink unit must be provided for the hygienic washing of work equipment and utensils with an instant supply of hot and cold water
- Sink units must drain hygienically to a waste water container (large open buckets, dustbins, plastic crates and similar are NOT acceptable as this will present a significant manual handling risk)
- · Detergent and sanitiser must be provided
- · Clean, preferably disposable cloths should be provided
- (d) Where foodstuffs are cleaned as part of the food business' operations, adequate provisions should be made for this to be undertaken hygienically (for example thorough washing of vegetables and salad ingredients with potable water):
 - A sink unit with drinking/potable water should be provided for washing food such as salad ingredients
 - Sink units must drain hygienically to a waste water container (large open buckets, dustbins, plastic crates and similar are NOT acceptable as this will present a significant manual handling risk)
- (e) An adequate supply of hot/cold potable water should be available (for example, mains or bottled drinking water):
 - Mains piped drinking water or bottled water should be provided to the catering premises
 - Waste water should discharge into a proper drainage system where available. Alternatively, closed holding containers with adequate capacity may be used with arrangements for having the containers emptied
- (f) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste water and waste food):
 - Sealed containers should be provided for waste water, as this must NOT be poured onto the ground, into surface water systems or into a watercourse
 - Refuse sacks or containers should be provided for waste food and packaging
 - Arrangements should be in place for the correct disposal of waste food
 - Fats, oils and grease must be disposed of appropriately and not put into waste water containers and/or into the drainage system
 - Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, for example, waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency)

- (g) Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (for example, the use of a hotplate, hot cupboard or bain-marie and the use of a thermometer to check temperatures):
 - Refrigerated equipment must be provided to ensure food can be stored at a temperature of 8°C or below (cool boxes MAY be used in place of refrigeration ONLY if the effectiveness of such storage can be demonstrated)
 - Hot-holding equipment such as hot-plates, hot-cupboards or a bainmarie should be provided to ensure that hot food is stored or displayed at a temperature at or above 63°C
 - Thermometers must be provided to monitor the temperatures of chilled, cooked and hot-held food
- (h) Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination (for example, provision of lidded storage containers):
 - Food must NOT be placed directly onto the floor
 - Food should be placed in clean, lidded food storage containers away from sources of contamination
 - · Raw food must be kept separate from cooked/ready-to-eat food
 - Food should be protected from public touching, coughing or sneezing
 - · Clean, protective clothing should be worn by staff
 - Vehicles used for transporting foodstuffs to the market must be kept clean and in good repair

Requirements for a Cheese Stall

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (including the provision of canopy, etc):

- Canopy to the top (and ideally three other sides) to protect food from contamination
- All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - · Antibacterial hand-wipes
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - Clean, washable surfaces in a sound and easy to clean condition
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sanitiser
 - · Clean cloths or
 - Antibacterial surface wipes
- (d) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste food):
 - Sealed container provided for waste food, etc

- Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, for example, waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency)
- (e) Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (for example, the use of a thermometer to check temperatures of cooked/ready-to-eat food):
 - · Provision of a refrigerator or cool box with ice
 - An adequate supply of ice blocks for the displaying of cheeses and other foods
 - Provision of a thermometer to monitor the temperatures of chilled and ready-to-eat food
- **(f)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination *(for example, provision of lidded storage containers):*
 - · Provision of clean, lidded food storage containers
 - Where 'ready-to-eat' foods are sold or handled, appropriate techniques must be implemented to minimise the risk of cross contamination, for example, use of tongs or scoops

Requirements for a Fish Stall without Preparation and Filleting

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Canopy to the top (and ideally three other sides) to protect food from contamination
- All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - · Antibacterial hand-wipes
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - Smooth, washable worktops with adequate separation between raw and cooked/ready-to-eat foods (if applicable)
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sanitiser
 - Clean cloths or
 - · Antibacterial surface wipes
- (d) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste water, waste food, liquid run-off from fish entrails):
 - · Sealed container provided for waste food, liquid waste, etc

- Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, for example, waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency)
- Run off of liquid waste from fish storage boxes should not be allowed to discharge on to the public highway or into the surface water drain
- **(e)** Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (for example, the use of a thermometer to check temperatures of foodstuffs):
 - Provision of a refrigerator or cool box with ice
 - An adequate supply of ice for the displaying of fish and shellfish
 - Provision of a thermometer to monitor the temperatures of chilled food, smoked, cured and Scombridae fish (for example, mackerel and tuna) and ready-to-eat fish and seafood
- **(f)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination *(for example, provision of lidded storage containers):*
 - · Provision of clean, lidded food storage containers
 - Where 'ready-to-eat' foods are sold or handled, appropriate techniques must be implemented to minimise the risk of cross contamination, for example, use of tongs or scoops

Requirements for a Fish Stall with Preparation and Filleting

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Canopy to the top, back and sides to protect food from contamination
- · All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - Wash hand basin provided with hot and cold water from separate taps or a single mixer tap (preferably piped), soap (ideally liquid antibacterial) and paper towels
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - Smooth, washable chopping boards and/or worktops with adequate separation between raw and cooked/ready-to-eat foods (if applicable)
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sink unit with an adequate supply of hot and cold water (preferably piped)
 - Sanitiser
 - Clean cloths

- (d) Where foodstuffs are cleaned as part of the food business' operations, adequate provisions should be made for this to be undertaken hygienically (for example, thorough washing of foodstuffs with potable water):
 - Drinking/potable water provided for washing food, etc
 - Containers and equipment provided for washing food and collecting liquid waste
- (e) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste water, waste food, liquid run-off from fish entrails):
 - Sealed container provided for waste food including liquid waste and fish entrails
 - Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, for example, waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency)
 - Run off of liquid waste from fish storage boxes should not be allowed to discharge onto the public highway or into the surface water drain.
- (f) Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (for example, the use of a thermometer to check temperatures of cooked/ready-to-eat food):
 - · Provision of a refrigerator or cool box with ice
 - An adequate supply of ice for the displaying of fish and shellfish
 - Provision of a thermometer to monitor the temperatures of chilled food
- **(g)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination (for example, provision of lidded storage containers):
 - · Provision of clean, lidded food storage containers

Requirements for a Meat Stall with Preparation and Filleting

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Canopy to the top, back and sides to protect food from contamination
- · All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (i) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - Wash hand basin provided with hot and cold water from separate taps or a single mixer tap (preferably piped), soap (ideally liquid antibacterial) and paper towels
- (j) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (e.g. stainless steel, plastic chopping boards, etc):
 - Smooth, washable chopping boards or worktops with adequate separation between raw and cooked/ready-to-eat foods (if applicable)
- (k) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (e.g. provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sink unit with an adequate supply of hot and cold water (preferably piped)
 - Sanitiser
 - Clean cloths

- (I) Where foodstuffs are cleaned as part of the food business' operations, adequate provisions should be made for this to be undertaken hygienically (e.g. thorough washing of foodstuffs, etc with potable water):
 - · Drinking/potable water provided for washing food, etc
 - Containers and equipment provided for washing food and collecting liquid waste
- (f) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (e.g. storage or collection of waste water, waste food, liquid run-off from entrails, etc):
 - Sealed container provided for waste food, liquid waste, etc
 - Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, e.g. waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency), etc
 - Run off of liquid waste from meat storage boxes should not be allowed to discharge onto the Highway or into the surface water drain.
- (g) Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (e.g. the use of a thermometer to check temperatures of foodstuffs, etc):
 - Provision of a refrigerator or cool box with ice
 - An adequate supply of ice blocks for the displaying of meat
 - Provision of a thermometer to monitor the temperatures of chilled food
- **(h)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination (e.g. provision of lidded storage containers, etc):
 - · Provision of clean, lidded food storage containers

Requirements for a Meat Stall without Preparation and Filleting

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Canopy to the top (and ideally three other sides) to protect food from contamination
- All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - Antibacterial hand-wipes
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - Smooth, washable worktops with adequate separation between raw and cooked/ready-to-eat foods (if applicable)
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sanitiser
 - · Clean cloths or
 - · Antibacterial surface wipes
- (d) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste water, waste food, liquid run-off from entrails):
 - Sealed container provided for waste food including liquid waste

- Evidence of suitable disposal/collection methods, for example, waste transfer notes from a licensed waste collection contractor (check with the Environment Agency)
- Run off of liquid waste from meat storage boxes should not be allowed to discharge on to the public highway or into the surface water drain
- (e) Adequate facilities and/or arrangements for maintaining and monitoring suitable food temperature conditions are to be available (for example, the use of a thermometer to check temperatures of foodstuffs):
 - · Provision of a refrigerator or cool box with ice
 - · Provision of ice blocks for the displaying of meat
 - Provision of a thermometer to monitor the temperatures of chilled food and ready-to-eat meat
- **(f)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination *(for example, provision of lidded storage containers):*
 - · Provision of clean, lidded food storage containers
 - Where 'ready-to-eat' foods are sold or handled, appropriate techniques must be implemented to minimise the risk of cross contamination, for example, use of tongs or scoops

Requirements for a Bread and Cake Stall

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

- Canopy to the top (and ideally three other sides) to protect food from contamination
- · All surfaces should be clean and in good repair
- All surfaces should be smooth and washable

- (a) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - Antibacterial hand-wipes
- (b) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (for example, stainless steel, plastic chopping boards):
 - Clean, washable surfaces in a sound and easy to clean condition
- (c) Adequate provision should be made for the cleaning and disinfecting of work utensils and equipment (for example, provision of hot/cold water and sanitiser):
 - Sanitiser
 - Clean cloths or
 - · Antibacterial surface wipes
- (d) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (for example, storage or collection of waste food):
 - Container used for the storage of waste food and packaging

- **(e)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination *(for example, provision of lidded storage containers):*
 - Bread, cakes and other 'ready-to-eat' foods should <u>NOT</u> be stored directly onto the public highway or pavement
 - Bread, cakes and other 'ready-to-eat' food should ideally be covered to ensure protection from sources of contamination

Requirements for a Fruit and Vegetable Stall

Paragraph 1:

The premises should be sited, designed, constructed and kept clean and maintained in good repair and condition, to avoid risk of contamination, in particular by animals and pests (*including the provision of canopy, etc*):

• Canopy to the top to protect food from contamination

- (m) Appropriate personal hygiene facilities, as appropriate, for the hygienic washing and drying of hands, hygienic sanitary arrangements and changing facilities (for example, provision of wash hand basin with hot/cold water, liquid soap, paper towels and/or antibacterial hand-wipes):
 - Antibacterial hand wipes
- (n) Food contact surfaces must be in a sound condition and be easy to clean and disinfect. Surfaces should be smooth, washable, corrosion-resistant and non-toxic (e.g. stainless steel, plastic chopping boards, etc):
 - i. Clean, washable surfaces in a sound and easy to clean condition
- (f) Adequate arrangements and/or facilities for the hygienic storage and disposal of hazardous and/or inedible substances and waste (whether liquid or solid) are to be available (e.g. storage or collection of waste water, waste food, etc):
 - Container used for the storage of waste food and packaging
- **(h)** Foodstuffs should be protected from risk of contamination (e.g. provision of lidded storage containers, etc):
 - Fruit and vegetables should <u>NOT</u> be stored directly onto the public highway or pavement