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## TEMPORARY FOOD ESTABLISHMENT LIST

**Foods not listed below should be considered high risk – contact us to evaluate**

### LOW RISK MENU ITEMS -\$90.00 per event

- all exempt items listed on reverse (if choosing not to take out the annual permit exemption)
- baked goods – non-potentially hazardous items such as cookies, cake, donuts, shortcake, scone, etc.  
**(no cream filled desserts, lemon meringue pie, home canned foods, pumpkin pie, cheesecakes, or custard desserts)**
- elephant ears
- french fries, curly fries, and chips made from scratch **(potato, corn, etc.)**
- hot dogs - including polish dogs and corn dogs **(commercially prepared or non-potentially hazardous batter)**
- hot or iced espresso drinks **(non-blended)**
- ice cream **(dipping or hand scooped)** and mud pie
- nacho cheese **(commercially prepared)**
- pancakes and waffles **(if a commercial mix used with no eggs)**
- sauerkraut
- spreads - margarine, jams, jellies, honey, and syrup
- dairy condiments - whipped cream, sour cream, whipped butter **(commercially prepared)**

### HIGH RISK MENU ITEMS -\$175.00 per event

- baked goods with cream, custards **(cream puffs, éclairs, pumpkin pie, cheese cake, cream pies)**
- blended drinks **(dairy- or fruit-based made on-site)**
- dairy items **(milk shakes, soft serve ice cream, yogurt)**
- chili, soups, chowder
- cooked starch items **(beans, rice)**
- eggs (any style)
- hamburgers, turkey burgers, veggie burgers, etc.
- meats - **(chicken, beef, pork, sausage, fish, bacon, ham...)**
- pasta **(spaghetti, lasagna, etc.)**
- pizza
- potatoes **(baked, hash browns)**
- potato salad, macaroni salad
- salad **(tossed green, bagged)**
- sandwich preparation
- shellfish - **(oysters, clams, crab...)**
- tacos, burritos

**Late fees will be added if application submitted less than 14 days before event**

**EXEMPT ITEMS – Billed once review complete at \$260/hour**  
(Exemption valid for calendar year and must be renewed annually)

- corn on the cob
- chocolate dipped ice cream bars
- chocolate dipped bananas
- roasted nuts (including candy coated)
- fruit and vegetable samples  
(no melons, tomatoes, or TCS foods)
- dried herbs and spices
- cotton candy
- whole roasted peppers (for immediate service)
- popcorn (including kettle corn)
- Crushed Ice (Slushies) - Non-TCS only. No snow cones and shaved ice

**NO permit is required** if serving pre-packaged non-TCS food items such as candy bars, canned soda, bottled drinks, individual bags of chips, cookies, or crackers.

**NO permit is required** for a nonprofit organization selling non-TCS baked goods and operating for religious, charitable, or educational purposes. Please see Bake Sale Guidelines for further information:  
<http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/ehfood/pdf/BakeSaleGuidelines.pdf>

**Temporary Food Service Permit Fees**

**Temporary Food Service – LOW RISK**

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| a) Temporary food permit 1-21 days                               | \$ 90.00 |
| b) Multiple event temporary food service permit                  | \$255.00 |
| c) Late fee, application received less than 14 days before event | \$ 40.00 |

**Temporary Food Service – HIGH RISK**

[additional review fees may apply if water or sewage evaluations are needed, \$230/hr]

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| a) Permit valid 1-3 days                                      | \$175.00 |
| b) Permit valid 4-21 days                                     | \$355.00 |
| c) Multiple event temporary food service permit               | \$520.00 |
| d) Late fee, application received between 13 and 7 days prior | \$ 40.00 |
| e) Late fee, application received less than 7 days prior      | \$ 78.00 |

Bake sales for Non-Profit Groups  
(no TCS foods – see guidelines)

no fee

Investigation Fee: work without a permit

2x permit fee