

# Food Safety quarterly conference call notes

## June 27, 2017

- Share Table and Level 2 Certification guidance documents were sent to local health districts in May, 2017.
  - Mark – Erie Co HD asked: if a share table uses time as a public health control, does this require the facility to have a risk level IV license? ODH: No, since the share table is not part of the facility license, a share table does not affect their license category.
- ODH Food Safety Fact Sheets/Variance Request Form/Website
  - Fact sheets being updated and will be posted on ODH website
  - ODH food program page update: “Resources and Fact sheets” changed to “Fact sheets and forms.”
  - Variance Request Form has been added to this page.
  - Sample of Cleanup procedures:
    - Facilities can edit Fact Sheets to meet their needs.
    - Does not require blood borne pathogen kit (ODH has heard some are requiring this); but equipment and chemicals listed in their plan should be available.
- ODH Food Safety Media Campaign
  - Radio ads, social media, print ads for Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day, fall Holidays. Each Holiday has a different presentation of food safety topics.
- Employee health “verifiable manner”
  - Can be a form signed by employees, or other options:
    - Attendance roster for employee training
    - Implement an employee health policy that includes a system of employee notification using training, signs, pocket cards, or other means.
    - Does not have to be a poster
- Certification Cards
  - Food managers that previously received a level two card from ODH must have the card; having the letter from ODH does not satisfy the level two requirement.
  - ODH cannot retrieve old cards or records.
  - If an individual no longer has their card, they would have to retake the class and exam.
    - Melissa – Union Co. has a copy of Food Safety Certifications from ODH and questioned if this would serve in place of card. While this is appreciated, if ODH does not have a copy (anything prior to 2013), this information is not applicable if card is no longer on hand.
- First Watch Restaurants: Time as a public health control.
  - LHDs with a First Watch in their jurisdiction have been informed.
  - Their plan indicates that they would keep a log, but rule requires that the food be marked to indicate the time. Jamie to follow up with First Watch and will notify LHDs.
  - ODH has been communicating with them, and will notify them of rule requirements.
  - It is up to LHDs to determine if the food and time are properly marked and to ensure compliance with Food Codes.

## Ohio Department of Agriculture topics

- Breweries: Facilities that bottle alcoholic beverages do not automatically fall under ODA inspection unless they wholesale their products.
  - Numerous questions concerning In-house Sales versus Wholesale. ODH and ODA to clarify information pertaining to State and Local jurisdictions and regulations.
    - Various questions involved food sales, sanitarian responsibilities pertaining to equipment, restrooms, and governing agencies. If wholesaling, production would fall under ODA Food Safety, if not LHD would have jurisdiction.
    - Rick - Greene Co. stated that he understood the rule to say that if there is no food sale(s), the local Health Departments are not involved. These questions will also be reviewed with Liquor Control and answers will be submitted to local Districts. Alcohol is considered food, so if they do not wholesale they would fall under LHD jurisdiction for sanitation because Liquor Control only looks at alcohol content and labels. *3717.22(B) (12) & (13) exempt establishments that only offer for sale alcoholic beverages or prepackaged beverages and commercially prepackaged food that is not potentially hazardous. So if they are only offering for sale those items they don't get licensed by LHD. So, this exemption covers only the sale of the alcoholic beverages not the production of it.*
    - Various other questions concerning regulations and guidelines include:
      - Wineries are the same as breweries (as described above)
      - Temporary Licenses with Festival alcohol sales (if a majority is sold by the glass they would need a Temporary FSO license). Comment from ODH: If the operation is only offering alcoholic beverages, the operation would be exempt under ORC 3717.22(B)(12); but if they are also serving food, a license would be required.
      - Food sales made on property and sold to guests
      - Plan review. (if the location is not wholesaling, at minimum they would be a Risk Level 2)
- FReal milk shake machines: ODA to re-send information that was previously provided.
- REF Mobiles
  - Drawings on back of license
  - As a Wholesaler – Mobiles cannot manufacture food
  - Getting inspection reports for Licensing LHD
- Additional questions that were asked:
  - Uber and Amazon food deliveries – ODH will review and provide information when it is available.
  - Holding food at one site but selling it at another. Do both sites have to be licensed or is this a case by case determination? ODA: Facility storing food would fall under ODA inspection as a storage facility. ODH: facility serving the food would need a license.