
Safe Easter Eggs



Easter time is here a again. Eggs will be used for Easter egg hunts and decorations. It is important that eggs are handled with care to prevent contamination.

Raw eggs may be contaminated with Salmonella. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water before handling eggs and at every step of the egg preparation including cooking, cooling, dyeing and hiding.

If using hard boiled eggs for coloring, wait until the eggs have completely cooled before dyeing the eggs. Remember to return eggs to the refrigerator immediately after dyeing them. Hard boiled eggs will keep for about one week in the refrigerator.

Hard boiled eggs used for an Easter egg hunt, need to be protected from contamination. Hide the eggs in areas that are free of pets, birds, wild animals, insects, dirt, or lawn and garden chemicals. Return the eggs to the refrigerator as soon as possible after the egg hunt. Eggs that are cracked or have been left out for more than 2 hours should be discarded. Happy Safe Hunting!!



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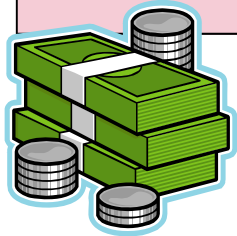
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Increase in Temporary Food Permits



Effective January 1, 2009, the cost to obtain a temporary food permit will increase from \$15 to \$20 per day. However, if the temporary food permit application is not received in our office at least 7 days in advance of the event, then the cost of the permit will double and will cost \$40 per day! So, please plan early and get your permit in on time!

Our temporary food permit applications are now available online at our website: www.co.lincoln.wa.us

Who needs a Food Worker Card



Washington State requires that all food workers have food safety training before handling food served to the public. This means that all individuals who work in a food service establishment and handles unwrapped or unpackaged food or who may contribute to the transmission of infectious diseases through contact with food or equipment/facilities, needs a food worker card.

All food workers are required to have a valid and current food worker card to be employed in Washington. You can work up to 14 days before you get your card as long as you are receiving food safety training from your employer.

Most local health departments offer the food worker training class and will issue the card. There is a study guide available called, “The Washington State Food and Beverage Workers’ Manual.” It is available in seven languages, including Braille upon request.

No matter what county you get your food worker card, the card is valid throughout the state of Washington.

All initial food worker cards are valid for 2 years. Renewal cards are valid for three years from the date of issuance. However, if the applicant has attended “Additional Food Safety Training” and has documentation of that training, then the renewal card is valid for 5 years from the date of issuance.

A food worker cards cost \$10. Once you have a food worker card, we recommend that you keep the original and provide a copy to your employer.

For more information on food worker cards and food safety training log on to our website: www.co.lincoln.wa.us or Department of Health: www.doh.wa.gov.