



Iroquois County Public Health Department

ACTION TO CORRECT REPEAT CRITICAL VIOLATIONS

I. PURPOSE:

Protect the health of the public by ensuring that all food establishments within the jurisdiction of Iroquois County Public Health Department take necessary action to eliminate repeat critical violations which may play an important route in a food borne outbreak.

II. POLICY:

Require all food establishments to comply with the Illinois Department of Public Health Food Service Sanitation Code concerning critical violations.

III. PROCEDURE:

1. During routine inspection, Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) note a critical violation.
 - a) Accurate documentation of each item, concerning how or where the specific items are not in compliance.
 - b) The Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will bring this matter to the attention of the manager or owner that this violation needs to be corrected by the next routine inspection and the Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will set and write a “correct by” parameter.
2. During the next routine inspection, if the critical violation exists, the Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will document the violation on the inspection sheet noting that this is a repeat violation of the food sanitation code. The Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will explain to the food establishment manager or owner that this matter will be referred to the Director of Environmental Health.

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3. The Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will bring to the Director of Environmental Health's attention the repeat critical violation by supplying the Director of Environmental Health with copies of both inspection reports.
4. The Director of Environmental Health will prepare a letter to the food establishment owner.
 - a) The letter will consist of the critical violation in question stating the section number and the violation from the food service sanitation code.
 - b) A time limit shall be set by the Director of Environmental Health, working with the owner, as to when this repeat violation needs to be corrected. See appendix A.
5. After the time limit to correct the critical violation has past, the Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner (LEHP) / Licensed Environmental Health Practitioner in Training (LEHPIT) will conduct an investigation to determine if the critical violation has been corrected.
6. If the critical violation has not been corrected, a copy of the food establishment file will be brought to the Administrator's attention.
 - a) This case history will consist of:
 1. All related inspections
 2. Notes from Environmental staff meeting with owner
 3. Letter sent by Director of Environmental Health
 4. Follow up inspection
7. The Administrator may contact the owner requesting a meeting on this critical matter. If the matter is not resolved at this time, the owner may be sent a certified letter stating that at the next Board of Health meeting, this matter will be brought to their attention. The possibility of revoking the food establishment's permit will be decided upon by the Board of Health at this time.