# Food safety for food stands and restaurants in the COVID-19 era Based on our current scientific understanding Knowledge Photo Credit: CDC

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Overview

- · COVID-19 background
- Extra precautions for all food handlers in light of COVID-19- exempt and regulated (restaurants, etc)
- Food safety for fair food stands and exempt food vendors
- Resources available to KSRE agents

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### COVID-19 Background

- Coronaviruses- generally spread person-toperson through respiratory droplets.
- Currently NO evidence that COVID-19 is transmitted through food or food packaging.
- May be possible to get COVID-19 by touching surface/object with virus on it and then touching mouth, nose, or possibly eyes
  - Not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

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## **K-STATE**Research and Extension Protecting ourselves and others

- Avoid close contact with others (social distancing)
- · Wash hands often
  - WHEN: especially after being in a public place, after blowing nose, coughing or sneezing, before eating or drinking (and after using restroom, before handling food, after changing diapers, etc)
    - Don't touch eyes, nose, mouth with un-washed hands
  - $-\,\mbox{HOW:}$  use soap and water, for at least 20 seconds
    - Sing ABCs, Happy Birthday twice or other songs
    - Basic "normal" soap is fine

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# \*\*Novvledge \*\*Life\*\* Washing hands Washing hands Washing hands \*\*Always have hand-washing site(s) - Running water, soap and clean single use towels located near toilet facilities and food handling areas - Wash hands for 20 seconds \*\*Soap | Paper Towels | \*\*S



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### Hand sanitizer

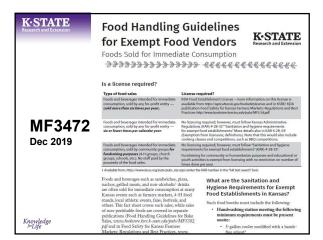
- If soap and water are not readily available
- use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry
- Soap and water is still the best protection!!!
- · Can use hand sanitizer after hand washing also

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## **K-STATE** COVID safety in any setting

- Actively encourage sick workers or customers to stay home!!
- Wear cloth face covering when in public
  - Particularly when hard to keep 6 feet distance
- Support respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene for workers and customers
  - Provide hand washing, hand sanitizer, tissues, trash cans, etc

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Type of food sales	License required?				
Foods & beverages intended for immediate consumption; for-profit; >6 days/year	KDA Food Establishment license				
Foods & beverages intended for immediate consumption; for-profit; <6 days/year	No licensing required; must use sanitation and hygiene practices for exempt food establishments				
Foods & beverages intended for immediate consumption; by community groups for fundraising (4-H groups, school groups, etc). No staff paid by the proceeds of the food sales	No licensing required; must use sanitation and hygiene practices for exempt food establishments.  No restriction on number of				
the proceeds of the rood sales	times done/ year				



# Suggested for exempt operations, required for regulated operations- restaurants, food trucks, etc • Always check with local authorities if any items are stricter • Maintain > 6 feet between groups of consumers — Can also use physical barriers between groups instead — Same for seating inside and outside — Try to keep 6 feet between employees also

### **K-STATE**Research and Extension Guidance for any food service-2

- Follow current guidance on group size in any one area of establishment (<10 people as of May 22)</li>
  - Not total occupancy, but in areas such as waiting area/entrance, check-out area, bathrooms, etc
  - No tables with more than 10 people
- Buffets, salad bars, self-serve drinks
  - Depends on local health authorities- check with them

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### **K-STATE** Cleaning-related definitions

- **Cleaning** removes germs, dirt, etc. Uses soap and water to physically remove
- Sanitizing lowers the number of germs to a safe level. Use a product labeled for sanitizing
- Disinfecting kills germs using chemicals or other process (UV, etc). Uses higher concentrations of a product labeled for disinfection

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# • As always- clean and sanitize facility, equipment, utensils according to Focus on Food Safety p 23 Cleaning and Sanitizing Making 100 ppm Chlorine Solution is as easy as 1-2-3! 1 oz. bleach to 3 gal. water Manual warewashing steps: 1. Wash: 1. Wash: 1. Wash: 2. Clean and sanitize sinks and drain boards equipment 1. Use hot (at least 110° F), soapy water 2. Rinse: 1. Use clean, hot (at least 110° F) water 3. Sanitize: 1. Use 50 - 200 ppm chlorine; or 200 ppm quaternary ammonia (mix with 75° F water) Use appropriate immersion time

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### **K-STATE** COVID cleaning- shared spaces

- Routinely clean all frequently touched surfaces: doorknobs, drawer handles, condiments, etc
- If surfaces are dirty, clean with a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.
- Disinfect: EPA-approved product list against coronavirus: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2">https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2</a>
  - Follow the manufacturer's instructions (e.g., concentration, application method, contact time, etc

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List N: Products with Emerging Viral Pathogens AND Human Coronavirus claims for use against SA Date Accessed: 05/23/2020										
EPA Registration Number	Active Ingredient(s)	Product Name	Company	Follow the disinfection directions and preparation for the following virus	Contact Time (in minutes)	Formulation Type	Surface Type	Use Site	Emerging Viral Pathogen Claim?	Date Added to List N
39967-137	Potassium peroxymonosulfate; Sodium chloride	Virkon S	Lanxess Corporation	Feline calicivirus	10	Dilutable	Hard Nonporous (HN)	Institutional	Yes	05/21/202
91861-2	Hydrogen peroxide	Bona STL Disinfecting Cleaner	Bonakemi USA Inc	Rhinovirus	10	RTU	Hard Nonporous (HN); Food Contact Post-Rinse Required (FCR)	Healthcare; Institutional; Residential	Yes	05/21/202
5813-124	Sodium hypochlorite	Clorox Bleach Blanqueador	The Clorox Company	Canine parvovirus; Feline parvovirus	10	Dilutable	Hard Nonporous (HN); Food Contact Post-Rinse Required (FCR)	Healthcare; Institutional; Residential	Yes	05/21/202
1672-65	Sodium hypochlorite	Austin A-1 Ultra Disinfecting Bleach	James Austin Company	Hepatitis A virus	10	Dilutable	Hard Nonporous (HN)	Healthcare; Institutional; Residential	Yes	05/21/202
6836-336	Quaternary ammonium	Lonza Disinfectant Wipes Plus	Lonza LLC	Rotavirus	10	Wipe	Hard Nonporous (HN)	Healthcare; Institutional; Residential	Yes	05/21/202
70627-62	Hydrogen peroxide	Phato 1:64 Disinfectant Cleaner	Diversey Inc	Feline calicivirus	5	Dilutable	Hard Nonporous (HN)	Healthcare; Institutional	Yes	05/21/20
70627-75	Sodium hypochlorite	Avert Sportoidal	Diversey Inc	Feline calicivinus	1	Wipe	Hard Nonporous	Healthcare; Institutional	Yes	05/21/200



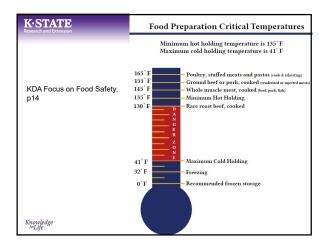
## **K-STATE** Food Stand Food Safety-2

- Serving must occur under cover (tent, canopy, etc)
- Keep flies and pests off food (cover or protect)
- No bare hand contact with RTE food
  - Gloves, tongs, spoons, deli paper, etc
- Must wash hands
- · Workers must be healthy
- · Clean and sanitize all food contact surfaces
- Do not let customers dip into a sauce container that will be used by others
- Trash containers nearby Knowledge

### K-STATE Food Stand Food Safety-3

- Use proper storing temperatures
  - $-\ge 135F$  storing hot foods
  - ≤41F- storing cold perishable foods
  - All perishable foods in temp danger zone >2 hours must be discarded.
  - Check temps hourly
- Use proper cooking temperatures (next page)
- If re-heating, heat to 165F within 2 hours

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# **K-STATE**Research and Extension Food Stand Food Safety- 4

- Good practice- post list of ingredients and identify allergens
- Fire department may require working fire extinguisher

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# Resources for agents • Can access slides and recording of this webinar —KSRE Food Safety and COVID website • Includes links to many other resources www.ksre.k-state.edu/foodsafety/topics/covid19.html \*\*Table \*\* Ording State\*\* \*\*Proof Safety and COVID-19 Pagels Tripics of Interest \*\*Table According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \*\*Resources for agents \*\*Table \*\*Table

# **K-STATE** Resources for agents

- Can access slides and recording of this webinar
   KSRE Food Safety and COVID website
- ServSafe currently will not allow agents to teach remotely
  - $-\,\mathsf{ServSafe}$  has their own online training available
- KDA Focus on Food Safety
  - Booklet and ppt available online- see next slide
  - Agents are welcome to use these materials
  - Lori Wuellner- uses materials with community groups

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