

GARLAND HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Construction and Equipment Standards for Food Service Establishments

CLASS 3

FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS



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The Garland Health Department is pleased to provide owners and operators with this comprehensive listing of structural standards for proposed food service establishments. The standards are provided for each class of establishment and are dependent upon the type of food products conveyed and the degree of preparation involved.

It is obvious that a food establishment is more likely to be maintained in a sanitary condition if the structure is properly designed, durable, and can be expeditiously cleaned. Additionally, in a properly designed establishment, food service sanitation inspections can focus on those more important items such as temperature control, food handling techniques, and general quality control rather than problems of deteriorated structures and equipment which are difficult to repair after the establishment is open for business. It is our hope that this listing of structural standards will result in a monetary savings by providing you with an establishment that can be easily and rapidly cleaned as well as durable, thereby minimizing maintenance requirements.

While we have made a concerted effort to provide the reader with as much detail as possible, we understand that questions may arise. If so, we ask that you do not hesitate to call an Environmental Health Specialist at (972) 205-3460 who will be most happy to discuss your proposed operation in detail.

We sincerely wish you the very best in your endeavor!

City of Garland
Health Department
Environmental and Consumer Health Division

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CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT STANDARDS FOR FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS

CLASS 3 - FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS

A. Characteristics of Class:

Class 3 establishments include facilities in which foods are prepared exclusive of the use of fryers, grills, or other similar equipment. Such establishments must be limited to precooked, time/temperature control for safety foods (TCS) and to the preparation of hot dogs, sandwiches, salads, or other similar exposed foods and fountain drinks. Commercial warmers, microwave ovens and enclosed hot dog rotisseries are acceptable food warming devices. No raw meat products may be present in a Class 3 establishment.

B. Examples of Class:

Sandwich shops, ice cream shops, convenience stores with TCS conveyance.

C. Floor Surface Requirements:

1. Food preparation, customer service, utensil washing area, and toilet room floors must be commercial grade sheet vinyl, vinyl-composition tile (VCT), or equivalent as approved by the Health Department. The floor/wall interface must be sealed and coved with four (4) inch base of like material.
2. Walk-in cooler floors must be quarry or ceramic tile with epoxy grout and must have four (4) inch quarry or ceramic tile base, when used for storing open TCS foods. Walk-in coolers used to store only commercially pre-packaged, unopened foods and walk-in freezers must have sealed concrete floors or better.
3. Dry storage room and mop sink area floors must be sealed concrete, vinyl-composition tile (VCT), or equivalent as approved by the Health Department. Floor/wall interface must have four (4) inch vinyl coving.

D. Wall Surface Requirements:

1. Food preparation, tableware and utensil washing, and customer service areas (including customer self-service beverage area) must have walls constructed of FRP panels or ceramic tile, certain types of bricks sealed with light-colored epoxy paint or equivalent materials as approved by the Health Department. Wall

surfaces must extend eight (8) feet in height or to the ceiling if ceiling height is less than eight (8) feet. Wall surfaces above the paneling or tile must be light-colored, smooth, and washable.

2. Walk-in cooler and freezer walls must be smooth, easily cleanable and capable of withstanding effects of low temperature and moisture (baked-on enamel coated steel, FRP, or equivalent).
3. Dry storage room walls must be taped and bedded sheetrock painted with light colored epoxy or enamel paint to eight (8) feet, or equivalent wall material as approved by the Health Department.
4. Toilet room walls must be FRP, ceramic tile, certain types of bricks sealed with epoxy paint to a minimum height of four (4) feet. Wall surfaces above the paneling or tile must be light colored, smooth, and cleanable.
5. Walls adjacent to the mop sink (if mop sink is not in area #1 listed above) must be surfaced with FRP or ceramic tile. The FRP or tile must extend from the floor to at least three feet above and on all sides of the sink.

E. Ceiling Surface Requirements:

1. Ceilings in food preparation, customer service, tableware and utensil washing, mop sink area, toilet room, and dry storage areas must be light colored, smooth, relatively non-absorbent, and easily cleanable. Materials must be vinyl coated sheetrock panels, taped and bedded sheetrock with light-colored epoxy or enamel paint, FRP panels, or equivalent as approved by the Health Department. **Fibrous acoustical drop-in panels must be prohibited.**
2. Walk-in coolers and freezers must have ceilings that are smooth, easily cleanable, and capable of withstanding effects of low temperature and moisture.
3. Ceiling areas subject to moisture may not have wooden studs, joists, and rafters exposed.

F. Floor Drain Requirements:

Floor drains must be required in toilet areas. Toilet floor drains must be waived in existing food establishments. Floor must be graded to drain.

G. Grease Interceptor Requirements:

Grease interceptors, if required by the Health Department, must be exterior to the facility. Operations not producing significant quantities of grease may not be required to install a grease interceptor.

H. Vermin Control Requirements:

Automatic air curtain insect control devices (or equivalent) must be installed on all take-out windows, if windows are not self-closing. Automatic air curtains must also be required over receiving doors if such doors are not self-closing. Additionally, all holes in walls and ceilings for pipes or conduit must be sealed and door-floor clearances must not exceed one-quarter inch (1/4").

I. Sink Requirements:

1. All Class 3 establishments must install a service (mop) sink or curbed area with a floor drain for wet floor cleaning and mop water disposal. This sink or curbed area must be provided with hot and cold running water. Toilets, showers, and urinals may not be used as a service sink for mop water/liquid waste disposal.
2. A free-standing, stainless steel, three-compartment sink, with basins large enough to allow immersion of the largest utensil, must be installed. These sinks must have hot and cold running water available to each sink basin.
3. Handwash sinks must be installed in toilet rooms, food preparation and food service areas. Handwash sinks in food preparation and food service areas must be free standing. Handwash sinks in food preparation, service, and warewashing areas must be free-standing and equipped with at least four (4) inch wing-style handles. An additional handwash sink must be installed in service area(s) if direct access to the handwash sink in food preparation area is blocked by a wall or equipment or not conveniently located for service area employee utilization.

J. Equipment Specifications and Requirements:

1. All food contact surfaces must be stainless steel, with the exception of certain approved polymer cutting boards. Baking tables may be an approved hard, close-grained wood (such as maple, walnut, mahogany, bamboo, pecan).
2. Cabinets, tables, or other similar equipment made of wood, particle board, or formica must not be allowed in areas subject to moisture.
3. Shelving and racks in food preparation, processing, and utensil washing areas must be commercial, food service grade, non-corrosive metal, or equivalent as approved by the Health Department. Enamel or epoxy painted (light-colored) wood shelving is acceptable in dry storage and warehouse areas.

4. Shelving and racks in walk-in coolers and freezers must be stainless steel, or epoxy coated non-corrosive metal or equivalent as approved by Health Department. Wood is prohibited as a shelving material in walk-in coolers and freezers.
5. All restroom doors must have self-closing devices.
6. If reusable tableware is provided for customers, a commercial dishwasher with a final rinse temperature of 180°F (conveyor style), 165°F (stationary rack style) or an approved chlorine residual must be installed. Installation of an automatic dishwashing machine must not require floor or wall construction upgrades unless food preparation changes also occur. The commercial dishwasher must automatically dispense detergents and sanitizer and incorporate a visual means to verify that detergents and sanitizers are delivered or a visual or audible alarm to signal if the detergents and sanitizers are not delivered to their respective washing and sanitizing cycles.
7. Sneeze guards must be required on all customer self-service lines.

K. Ventilation Requirements:

1. Areas of the establishment in which a preparation cooling table or a residential-style refrigerator are operated must be mechanically cooled to a maximum ambient room temperature of 86°F. Areas of the establishment in which a commercial-style storage refrigerator or a storage freezer are operated, which are not opened continuously, must be mechanically cooled to a maximum ambient room temperature of 100°F.
2. All toilets must have powered exhaust fans installed.

L. Lighting Requirements:

1. Light bulbs must be shielded, coated, or otherwise shatter-resistant in areas where there is exposed food, clean equipment, utensils, and linens; or unwrapped single-service and single-use articles.
2. An infrared or other heat lamp must be protected against breakage by a shield surrounding and extending beyond the bulb so that only the face of the bulb is exposed.
3. Light intensities must be as follows:
 - a. Working surfaces in food preparation and warewashing areas – 50-foot candles.

- b. Handwashing areas, service areas, equipment and utensil storage, toilet rooms, and inside equipment such as reach-in and under-counter refrigerators– 20-foot candles.
- c. Walk-in coolers/freezers, dry storage areas, and other areas and rooms during periods of cleaning – 10-foot candles.

M. Smoking Requirements:

Smoking is prohibited in all newly-constructed and newly-owned food establishments. Smoking is not allowed within 25 feet of any door, operable window or vent, or other opening to an indoor enclosed area. Smoking is still allowed on patios if it is not covered and has less than 40% of its perimeter closed in by walls or other coverings of any material. Food establishments must post a conspicuous sign either clearly stating "No Smoking, City of Garland Ordinance" or the international "No Smoking" symbol at each public entrance. "No Smoking" signs shall have bold lettering of not less than 1-inch in height.

Conditions for Issuance of Food Service Permit:

1. Applicant must have completed all requirements specified in plan review process.
2. Applicant must have obtained approvals from Building Inspection and all other appropriate city departments.
3. Applicant must have secured a Certificate of Occupancy from Building Inspection.
4. Applicant must have completed application for Food Service Permit and paid necessary fees. The annual permit fee is \$350.00.

Important Notice to Food Establishment Owners and General Contractors

*The express purpose of providing these standards and conducting comprehensive plan reviews is to ensure that a newly constructed or remodeled restaurant, convenience store, day care center, etc. is built in a manner consistent with Garland's Food Service Ordinance. Establishments **must** be constructed exactly as specified on approved plans. Any and all deviation from approved plans requires review by the Health Department. **Failure to gain approval of submitted materials and/or equipment may result in the delay of permit issuance.***

**GARLAND HEALTH
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FORMS**



FOOD SERVICE PERMIT APPLICATION

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Mailing Address
Health Department
P.O. Box 469002
Garland, TX 75046-9002

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Fee:	_____
Permit:	_____
Class:	_____ Area: _____
Issue Date:	_____
Exp. Date:	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Mgr. Chg. <input type="checkbox"/> New
RECV'D BY/RECEIPT #:	

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Total Number of Employees _____

Business Email Address: _____

Corporate Name: _____

Corporate Mailing Address: _____

If manager is not business owner, list name(s), address(es), and phone number(s) of owner(s), franchise holder(s), corporate supervisor(s), area manager or other responsible party:

Where would you like this application to be mailed to next year, Corporate or Business Address?

MANAGER INFORMATION

*Corporate representative cannot sign for the local store manager.
Permits will not be issued with corporate signature.*

ALL INFORMATION IN THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED. FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY DELAY ISSUANCE/RENEWAL OF PERMIT.

Manager's Name: _____

Manager's Home Address: _____

Manager's Home Phone: _____

Manager's Email Address: _____

Date Manager Was Employed At Present Store: _____

Texas Driver's License #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Race: _____ Sex: _____

Manager's Normal Weekly Schedule: _____

I certify that the information provided above is complete, true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I will also abide by all provisions of the City of Garland Health Code to the best of my ability.

Manager's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registered Food Service Manager Application



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Health Department
P.O. Box 469002
Garland, TX 75046-9002

HEALTH DEPT. OFFICE USE ONLY	
Fee:	\$30.00
Area:	_____
PT#:	_____
Issue Date:	_____
Exp. Date:	_____
Recd By/Receipt #:	_____

BUSINESS INFORMATION	
Business Name:	_____
Business Address:	_____ Zip Code: _____
Business Phone:	_____
Business Email:	_____

ALL INFORMATION IN THE SECTION BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED. FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF PERMIT.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	
Applicant Name:	_____
Applicant Home Address:	_____ Zip Code: _____
Applicant Email Address:	_____
Applicant Home Phone:	_____
Driver's License # and State:	_____ Date of Birth: _____

CERTIFICATION TRAINING INFORMATION	
(ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF THE CARD ISSUED TO YOU BY THE STATE OF TEXAS)	
Manager Certification Training was provided by:	_____
Date Course Was Completed:	_____

I hereby certify that the above information is true and accurate.

Applicant Signature

Date