

NORTHERN NEVADA  
**Public Health**

## Avoiding Commonly Seen Violations at Special Events for **Safer Food** and Easier Health Inspections

- ✓ Make sure your **hand wash station** is set up *prior* to handling food: once you get your booth set up, this should be the next thing you set up *before* you start handling food.
  - ⇒ Stock your hand wash station with pump hand soap, paper towels, a 5-gallon bucket and a trash can
  - ⇒ *Remember, the handwash station is not just there so you can pass your inspection—please make sure you are using it after changing tasks, returning from the restroom, handling raw meat or money, touching your face, etc.*



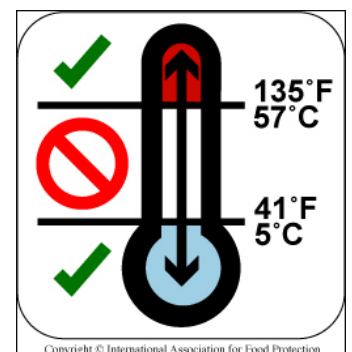
Refrigerator thermometer example

- ✓ Please allow your **refrigeration and hot-holding equipment** to come to temperature *before* putting food in them. If your refrigeration isn't quite cold enough to hold food at the safe temp of 41F or less, keep the food covered in ice until your refrigerator is cold!
  - ⇒ Have a refrigerator thermometer available so you'll know for sure!

- ✓ Always bring a **stem/probe thermometer** so you can poke into the thickest part of your food and make sure your it is at 41F or less, or at 135F or above—anything in the middle will allow harmful bacteria to grow!



Stem thermometer examples



- ✓ Make sure any containers that are in direct contact with food are meant for this purpose. Food storage containers are made of safer materials and are easier to clean. These typically have “food storage” in the name and will be NSF (or equivalent) certified. See examples of approved and unapproved storage equipment below:


### APPROVED FOOD CONTACT CONTAINER

**Cambo 18269CW135 Camwear 26" x 18" x 9" Clear Polycarbonate Food Storage Box**

ITEM NUMBER: 21418269CWCL

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Keep bulk produce, fish, meat, or poultry fresh and organized with this clear 12" x 18" x 9" Cambro Camwear 18269CW135 polycarbonate food storage box.



Make food prep simple by conveniently storing and organizing bulk ingredients in a durable food storage box. When you store food in this box, you can easily slide everything from lemons to pork loin into a freezer or refrigerator to safely hold it until you're ready to prepare a particular dish.

**Dishwasher Safe**  
This item can safely be cleaned in a commercial dishwasher.

**Stackable**  
This item can safely be stacked with identical or indicated items to promote easy transportation and space-saving storage.

**NSF Listed**  
This item has been certified by NSF International to meet applicable product standards on public safety, health, and / or the environment.

### UNAPPROVED FOOD CONTACT CONTAINER

**6 PACK**

**IRIS 45QT Clear Storage Bin with Buckles, 6-pack**



**Features:**

- Semi-Clear Plastic for Quick Identification of Contents
- Grooves on Lids to Help Stack Bins Securely
- Snap-Lock Latches to Secure Contents Inside