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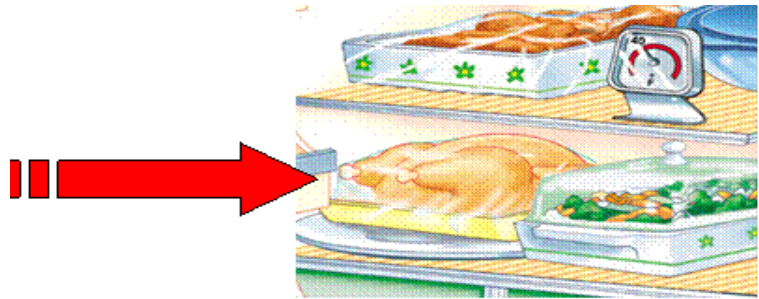
Food Safety
Training Module



Avoid Cross Contamination

- Store raw meats below cooked and no-cook foods

- Wash hands



- Wash and sanitize utensils and cutting boards
- Use separate cutting boards and preparation areas for raw meats and vegetables
- Use different utensils for different food items



Avoid Cross Contamination



Unless everyone is **VERY** careful, cross-contamination can be a problem in a food service environment.

What are the **THREE WAYS** cross-contamination can occur?

1. Food to Food
2. Hand to Food
3. Equipment to Food

Prevent Chemical Contamination

- **STORE...** chemicals in original containers away from food to avoid leakage into food or accidental misuse
- **WASH...** hands thoroughly after working with chemicals
- **WASH...** fresh fruits and vegetables with plain water or scrub thick-skinned produce with a brush to remove any pesticides
- **MONITOR...** procedures used by pest control operators to ensure pesticides do not contaminate food
- **LIMIT...** access to chemicals to authorized personnel
- **MAKE SURE...** labels clearly display chemical hazards
- **DO NOT USE...** galvanized containers with acidic foods
- **USE...** metal containers and metallic items for their intended uses **ONLY**
- **AVOID...** enamelware



Prevent Physical Contamination

- **DO NOT**... use glasses to scoop ice; use commercial scoops.
- **DO NOT**... store items in ice that will be used in foods or with beverages
- **STORE**... toothpicks and non-edible garnishes below food storage and preparation areas
- **PLACE**... shields on lights
- **CLEAN**... can openers regularly
- **REMOVE**... staples, nails, etc. from boxes when food is received
- **DO NOT**... repair equipment temporarily with items that might fall into food. For example, do not use a hair pin in place of a cotter pin
- **DO NOT**... wear nail polish
- **DO NOT**... store food in containers or bags that are not approved for food storage

