



County of San Diego

Department of Environmental Health

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FIRE RECOVERY FOR FOOD OPERATORS

BEFORE YOU ENTER...

- Check exterior structure for damage.
- Do not enter if structure is questionable.

BEFORE YOU REOPEN...

- Contact the Department of Environmental Health (fhduyeh@sdcounty.ca.gov or (858) 505-6900) or your local environmental health specialist for approval to reopen.

WHEN IT IS SAFE TO ENTER...

CHECK:

- Potable water supply.
- Electrical power supply.
- Functional sewer system.
- Natural gas supply.
- Safety of structure.



REMOVE:

- All foods exposed to fire, fire debris, fire retardant, smoke, water, or damage due to fire.
- All high risk foods with temperatures that were not maintained at proper temperatures.

EVALUATE:

- All food and food items damaged by fire.
- All food service equipment damaged by fire.

CLEAN AND SANITIZE:

- All food contact surfaces.
- All utensils, dishes and glassware.

CLEAN THROUGHOUT THE FACILITY:

- All exterior surfaces of equipment.
- All walls, floors, and ceilings.
- All hood surfaces and hood filters.
- All work stations and customer tables.
- All equipment air intakes.
- All ventilation ducts.



IF THE ESTABLISHMENT INTENDS ON RESUMING FOOD PREPARATION AND ALSO SELLING PREPACKAGED FOODS.

VERIFY THE FOLLOWING:

- Provisions for hot and cold potable water are available.
- Provisions for handwashing are available.
- Toilets are operable.
- Electricity and natural gas (if applicable) services are available.
- Refrigeration and/or freezer units are capable of maintaining food temperatures of 41°F or below.
- Hot food holding units are capable of maintaining food temperatures of 135°F or above.
- Damaged foods have been removed from sale.
- All food can be protected from contamination.
- Rodent and insect infestations do not exist.



IF THE ESTABLISHMENT INTENDS ON SELLING ONLY PREPACKAGED FOODS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE REFRIGERATION OR HEATING.

VERIFY THE FOLLOWING:

- Damaged food has been removed from sale.
- All food can be protected from contamination.
- Rodent and insect infestations do not exist.
- Provisions for handwashing are available.
- Provisions for toilets are available.

