**Conference for Food Protection**

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**Title:**

HHC-3 Recommended Foodservice Glove Language Changes to the Food Code

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

that a letter be sent to the FDA requesting the 2013 Food Code be amended as follows (using underlining for additions and strike through for language deletion):

1. Add a definition for "foodservice glove"

"Foodservice Glove" means a non-porous, SINGLE-USE covering worn over the front and back of the hand during FOOD preparation or service, with the intention of preventing cross-contamination.

2. Add a provision for a double-glove procedure to the 2013 FDA Food Code:

The use of a loose-fit FOODSERVICE GLOVE - used over or in addition to a FOODSERVICE GLOVE for the purposes of allowing a FOOD EMPLOYEE to switch tasks without a necessary FOODSERVICE GLOVE change or handwashing. The loose-fit FOODSERVICE GLOVE must be capable of being removed or disposed of without contamination to the primary FOODSERVICE GLOVE, hands or forearms.

3. Amend Section 2-301.14(G) "When to Wash" to allow for a handwashing exception during the double gloving procedure when no hand or glove contamination has occurred.

4. Replace the term "soiled equipment" in 2-301.14 (E) with "contaminated equipment" and change the food code language of "changing tasks" in 2-301.14(F) to "switching from raw to RTE foods" as follows:

**2-301.14 When to Wash.**

Food employees shall clean their hands and exposed portions of their arms as specified under § 2-301.12 immediately before engaging in food preparation including working with exposed food, clean equipment and utensils, and unwrapped single-service and single-use articlesP and:

(E) After handling ~~soiled~~ contaminated equipment or utensils; P

(F) During food preparation, as often as necessary to remove soil and contamination and to prevent cross contamination when ~~changing tasks~~ switching from RAW to READY-TO-EAT foods; P

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