

**Conference for Food Protection
2020 Issue Form**

Issue: 2020 I-014

Council Recommendation: Accepted as Submitted _____ Accepted as Amended _____ No Action _____

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Issue History:

This is a brand new Issue.

Title:

Enhancing Protection of Food Contact Surfaces - Section 3-304.11

Issue you would like the Conference to consider:

Section 3-304.11 of the Food Code would be enhanced by adding explicit requirements that food contact surfaces may not be used if they have been contaminated.

Public Health Significance:

Explicitly prohibiting food contact surfaces from being used if they have not been handled or stored in a way that prevents contamination would protect food and prevent foodborne illnesses.

Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:

The Conference recommends that a letter be sent to FDA recommending that Sections 3-304.11 and 4-502.13 of the Food Code be amended as follows:

3-304.11 Food Contact with Equipment and Utensils.

FOOD shall only contact surfaces of:

(A) EQUIPMENT and UTENSILS that are cleaned as specified under Part 4-6 of this Code, and SANITIZED as specified under Part 4-7 of this Code, and handled as specified under Part 4-9 of this Code; ^P

(B) SINGLE-SERVICE and SINGLE-USE ARTICLES that are handled as specified under Part 4-9 of this Code; ^P or

(C) LINENS, such as cloth napkins, as specified under § 3-304.13 that are laundered as specified under Part 4-8 of this Code and handled as specified under Part 4-9 of this Code. ^P

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